

THE TOP FIVE EVERYDAY ITEMS YOU CAN USE TO START CRAFTING RIGHT NOW



(Hint: You probably already own most of them.)

If you are new to crafting, you might think that you need to buy a lot of expensive tools to get started. What if I told you that for less than \$6, you could get started crafting today? First, I want you to look at your surroundings. You probably already own a version of everything on this list. And if you don't? A quick trip to the dollar store will cover you. Crafting can get expensive, but it doesn't have to. You can make beautiful handmade things without a huge investment of money.

1. **Paper.** If you are just getting started, any paper will do. For most paper projects, you want card stock that is at least 65 lb weight. Construction paper will work. Scrap paper, old books, newspaper. You can make just about any type of paper work, even magazine pages.

2. **Scissors.** We need a way to cut that paper. Ideally you want good-quality, long blade scissors (not your child's school scissors or sewing or embroidery scissors.) If you're just starting out and school scissors are all you have, you can make it work. Just be ready to invest in long blade scissors soon.

3. **Adhesives (Tape, Glue.)** Again, when you're just starting out, any tape and glue will work. At many dollar stores you can find school glue, tacky craft glue, and even Mod Podge (my glue of choice.) You can also find transparent tape, masking tape, and duct tape.

4. **Ruler.** I am a lazy crafter and I don't usually measure. However, rulers can often come in handy. A basic straight ruler is all you need to get started. You can also use a tape measure.

5. **Recycled materials.** Many of my crafts are made with used and recycled materials. Food jars (empty and cleaned thoroughly) and toilet paper tubes are two of my favorite items. Look around your surroundings with a recycled eye and you might see potential craft projects.

If you don't have this list of items, you can find everything at the dollar store. (Just stick to the list because if you're like me, you'll think of projects in the store and try to buy too much.)

Ready to start crafting? Check out these projects you can make with the items above.

Toilet paper tube pumpkin: <https://lazycrafting.com/toilet-paper-tube-pumpkin/>
Happy Birthday Table Topper: <https://lazycrafting.com/happy-birthday-table-topper/>
Gratitude Jar: <https://lazycrafting.com/gratitude-jar/>



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