

Star Glider ages: all elementary-age children

Adapted from the book by Rebecca White and Karen Whiting, *Super-Sized Book of Bible Craft Gift*, available on Amazon.com.

What it's all about

Like a shining star or fireworks, express your love of country.

What you need

- ❖ Star Glider Pattern, below
- ❖ Pen
- ❖ Scissors
- ❖ Colored or white paper
- ❖ Glue or tape
- ❖ Glitter pens or red and blue markers.

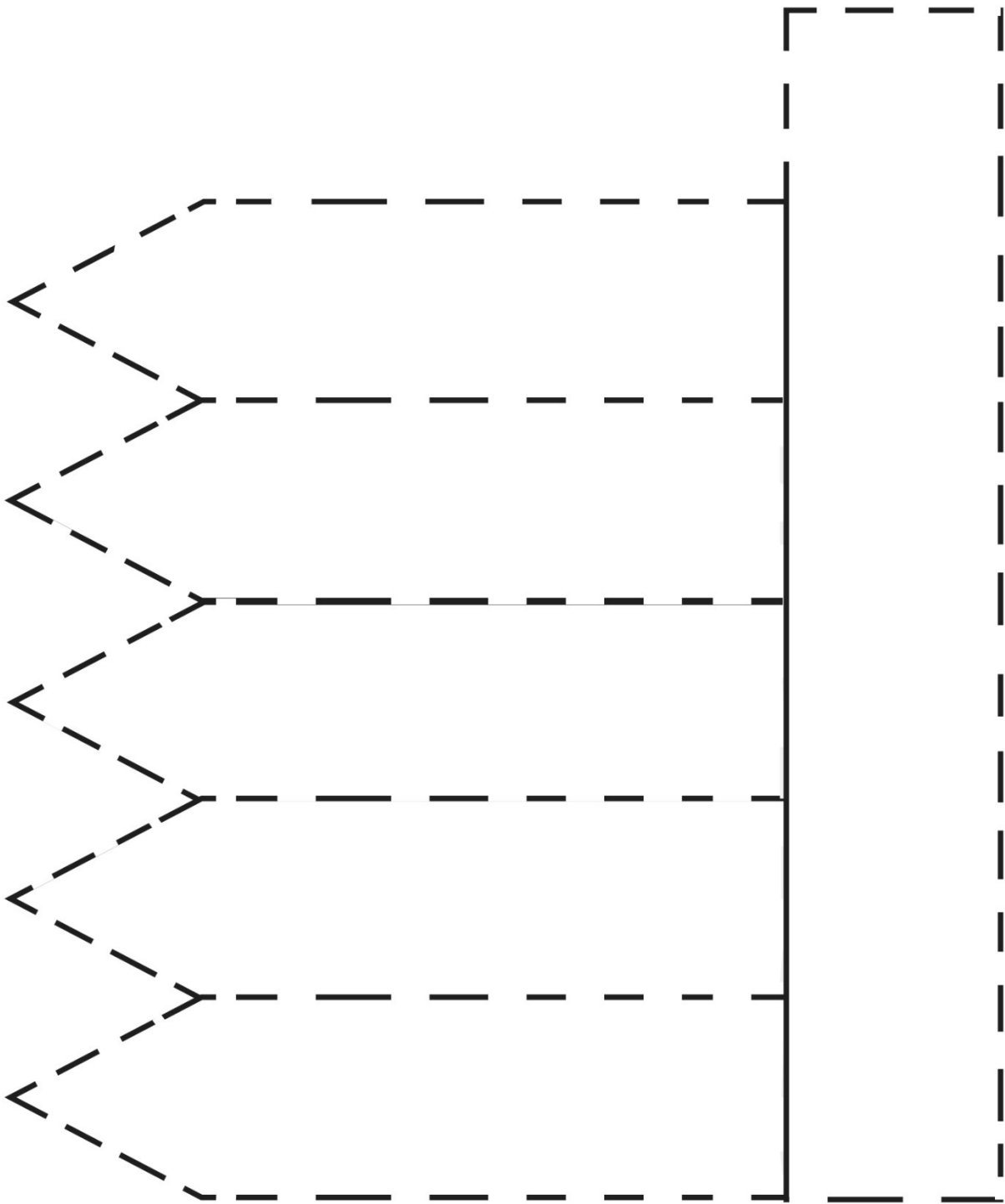
Preparation before the online event

Photocopy or hand copy the Star Glider pattern onto construction paper, which works well for spinning before the online event.

What to Do

1. Cut along the dashed lines to cut out the star glider out on colored paper. Cut between the lines of each wing. Do not cut the solid line.
2. Write these words on the wings or type them on a computer, print and cut them out. These words are the virtues or definitions that the Continental Congress gave to the flag's colors in 1782 when they adopted the Great Seal of the USA: red means valor, white means innocence and blue means vigilance, perseverance, justice.
 - Valor
 - Innocence
 - Vigilance
 - Perseverance
 - Justice
3. Fold each wing on the solid line.
4. Curve the horizontal rectangle into a circle and glue or tape it with the wings facing out.
6. Hold the Star Glider in one hand, raise it up high, twist it, and let it go.
7. Watch it spin like fireworks as it glides to the ground.
8. To make it glittery like fireworks, decorate the glider with glitter pens or markers. Let it dry.

To learn more about America's tradition of launching fireworks to celebrate Independence Day, read *First Fireworks for Independence—Virginia's Gift to America* by Jane Hampton Cook. Available on Amazon and janecook.com/shop





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