



Gift Wrapping



Spencer County 4-H

General Rules:

1. Please read the rules for levels other than your own to be sure that you are meeting the qualifications for your level only.
2. For beginning and intermediate levels, the package wrapped for exhibit should NOT contain any items.
3. Judging will be based on creativity, neatness and coordination of pieces to create a theme.
4. Use double-sided tape or other tape appropriate for materials being used (so no tape shows), rubber cement, hot glue, etc. (Decorative tape on outside is acceptable.)
5. Don't use hot glue or other adhesives in a way that could damage the gift.
6. Wrapping must be easily removed and not be permanently attached to gift.
7. If your package can be opened (lid wrapped separately), the inside should be as neat as possible.
8. Items (including clothing) used as wrapping need to be age-appropriate for receiver and should be considered part of the gift. In beginner and intermediate levels, small items may be incorporated into the bow, but no other items may be attached.
9. If your package is large enough that creases from pre-folded paper will show, use rolled paper instead.
10. Attach a card to the gift indicating occasion and age of receiver. Card should be considered a gift tag and coordinate with the gift wrap. (Advanced level members—see additional requirements for your level.)



Beginning Level (Grades 3-5)

- A. Wrap at least 5 square or rectangular packages during the year, not including the exhibit package.
- B. MAKE your own simple bows using any type of ribbon, yarn, cord or raffia. Do not use purchased bows.
- C. Be creative and imaginative. Incorporate ideas like flowers, bells, clowns, animals, leftover cards, etc.

Exhibit: Wrap one box, square or rectangular, in COMMERCIAL paper using a self-made bow. The bow should be the main focus—flowers, etc. should be considered accessories. This package will not be opened.

Intermediate Level (Grades 6-8)

- A. Wrap at least 9 packages during the year, not including the exhibit package.
- B. Use a variety of papers, fabrics, scarves or other materials for wrapping.
- C. Use a variety of trims, ribbons and types of self-made bows.
- D. In this level, packages should **NOT** be made into objects such as animals, clowns, etc.



Exhibit one of the following:

1. Wrap one cylinder-shaped package. Use commercial paper. Use creativity in decorating the package.
2. Wrap one package, not cylinder-shaped, using any material, other than paper. Use creativity in decorating the package.

Advanced Level (Grades 9-12)

- A. Wrap at least 12 packages during the year, not including the exhibit package.
- B. Be creative. Use your imagination. No commercial gift wrapping supplies will be allowed. (Judging will be on creativity and neatness.)
- C. Attach a card to the gift indicating occasion and age of receiver. Also include the following information: tell which of the 3 exhibit options you chose to enter, describe your gift and what was used to wrap your exhibit. In Options 1 and 2, it's not necessary to have an actual gift inside but describe what you might put in the box or package.

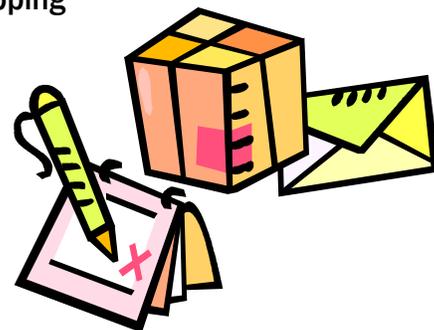


Exhibit one of the following:

1. Incorporate fancy ideas: Make box or package into a clown, animal, flower, bell, snowman, etc.
2. Wrap one package of any shape using self-decorated or homemade paper and accessories (no commercially designed materials). 4-Hers must design their own materials. Some suggestions for making paper are: roller painting, string pulling, dip-dyeing, potato printing or stenciling. You may also use fabric, felt, newspaper cut-outs, burlap, etc.
3. Wrap an object not in a box (umbrella, broom, ball bat, ball, shovel, etc.). Do not use hot glue or similar adhesives to attach wrapping to the gift itself if it could damage the gift (by removing paint, for example).