# New Year's Eve Paper Tower Challenge

4-16 players | About 20 minutes | Ages 7+

## PRINT & PREPARE

Print one building-plan sheet per team and one results sheet. Print single-sided on US Letter at 100% (actual size). For A4, choose Fit. Cut only pages labeled cut-out cards; dotted borders are cutting guides. Adults handle cutting.

## GATHER

Printer paper, Masking tape, Measuring tape.

## SET UP

Give each team 12 sheets of paper and an equal strip of masking tape. Choose a level floor or tabletop where everyone has the same amount of space.

## HOW TO PLAY

1. Teams get two minutes to discuss a design without touching supplies.

2. Start an eight-minute building period. Teams may fold, roll, tear, and tape their paper. They cannot attach the tower to furniture or walls.

3. At the end, everyone lets go. A tower must stand unsupported for 10 seconds.

4. Measure each stable tower from its base to the highest paper point. Tallest wins; tied heights share the win.

## ADAPT IT

For younger children, drop the height competition and set a shared target, such as a tower taller than a notebook.

## HOST NOTE

Do not let players climb on chairs to build taller. Keep the challenge at a comfortable reachable height.

# Our paper tower plan

Team: _____. Plan a freestanding tower using 12 sheets and your equal tape allowance.

Name: _____

# Tower challenge results

A tower must stand unsupported for 10 seconds. Measure from the base to the highest paper point.

| Team | Stood 10 sec? | Height / units | Rank |
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