



## Envelope Gift Basket

BY JULIE WARDELL

To make a basket, you will need: a 4" x 9 1/2" (10 x 24 cm) white envelope, ruler, pencil, scissors, and colored markers, crayons, or stickers.

1. Seal the envelope.
2. Following the illustration on this page, draw the basket handle on the envelope and cut out.
3. Write a message on the basket such as I Love You Mom!, Happy Birthday, or Thank You. Decorate the basket using markers, crayons, and/or stickers. Then make the "Spring Flowers" on this page and place them in the basket.



## Spring Flowers

BY SHERRY TIMBERMAN

To make two flowers, you will need: a pencil, tracing paper, scissors, scraps of colored paper, glue, two 12" (30 cm) chenille sticks (available in craft stores), and tape.

1. Trace the flower, flower center, and leaf patterns onto the tracing paper and cut out.
2. Trace the flower patterns on the colored paper twice and cut out. Then trace four leaves and cut out. Glue the flower centers and leaves in place (see illustration).
3. Wrap a chenille stick around one of your fingers to form it into a coil. Tape or glue one end of the chenille stick to the back of a flower for the stem. Repeat with the other chenille stick. Place the flowers in the "Envelope Gift Basket."