

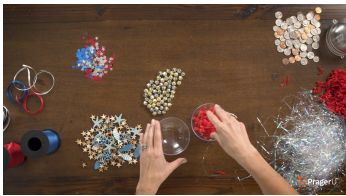


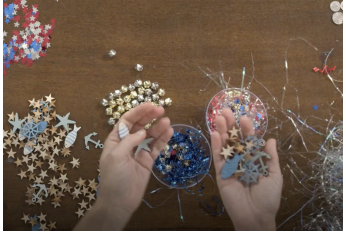
# God Bless America Ornament

## Supplies:





- Clear, round, fillable ornament
- A few small bells
- A few American coins
- Red, white, and blue crinkle paper
- Red, white, and blue confetti
- Patriotic trinkets and charms
- Ribbon



## Steps:

	Step 1: Open the ornament and lay both sides on a flat surface to be filled. Fill each side with red, white, and blue crinkle paper.
	Step 2: Place a few American coins into one half of the ornament.
	Step 3: Drop a few small bells into each side of the ornament.
	Step 4: Add patriotic trinkets or charms to each half of the ornament. Sprinkle on some confetti.



	<p>Step 5: Pat down the inside of each of the ornament halves so that nothing is sticking out over the edges.</p>
	<p>Step 6: Carefully fit the two halves of the ornament together and close securely.</p>
	<p>Step 7: Thread the ribbon through the hole at the top of the ornament. For an extra element, add jingle bells to the ribbon.</p>
	<p>Step 8: Tie the ribbon at the top into a bow and hang the finished ornament.</p>

**Does everyone in America celebrate Christmas?** America is a unique place that allows everyone to have different religious beliefs and celebrations. In the winter, Christians celebrate Christmas, Jews celebrate Hanukkah, Buddhists celebrate Bodhi Day, and countless other holidays that may not be based on religion.

**Fun Facts:**

- On Christmas Day in 1776, George Washington crossed the Delaware River and saved the American Revolution by winning the Battle of Trenton.
- In 1870, President Ulysses S. Grant signed a law that made Christmas a national holiday. He hoped that having a shared holiday would unite America after a very difficult Civil War.
- In 1968, on Christmas, the Apollo 8 Crew was the first to enter the moon's orbit. Later that night, they read the book of Genesis to a worldwide audience of millions.