Decorative Hanging Fish

A simple-to-make, Decorative Hanging Fish made from paper and old magazines. You can use any fish outline for this activity. This fish looks beautiful hanging from the ceiling. A classroom full of them is quite impressive!

Supplies needed:

- Construction paper, cardboard, foam, or cardstock
- Old magazines, catalogs, colored paper scraps, and aluminum foil scraps to cut up
- Glue
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Markers or crayons
- Hole punch
- 2 to 3 Crepe paper streamers (a few inches long) or ribbon
- Some string or yarn

1. Draw a fish on a large piece of paper.
2. Put a second piece of paper under this piece of paper. Cut out two large, paper fish. These will be stapled back to back to make each side of the fish.
3. Cut out a lot of scrap paper and/or aluminum foil circles. Use old, colorful magazines, catalogs, etc.
4. Glue the circles onto both sides of the body of the fish. These are the fish’s scales. (The fish is not symmetrical, so be sure that you glue circles onto the fish in such a way that when you staple the 2 sides together later on, the scales will be on the outside.)
5. Decorate the fish’s head, fins, and tail using crayons or markers.
6. Staple the two sides of the fish together, stapling the ends of crepe paper or ribbons inside the tail.
7. Punch two holes on the fish’s face. String some yarn through the holes. You now have a Decorative Hanging Fish.