MAKE YOUR OWN SEED TAPE

What you will need:

1. Seed tape medium: from paper towels, newspapers, toilet tissue, colored paper, tissue paper
2. Glue mixed with water
3. Seeds

What you will do:

1. Cut medium into shapes or strips. Make sure you can fold strips in half OR have 2 shapes to glue together.
2. Make glue mixture**: ½ liquid glue and ½ water
3. If you are sprinkling on flower seeds, with a sponge piece or paintbrush, smooth glue mixture onto one side of tape medium. Sprinkle with seeds. Fold over the strip or place another shape on top of the glue shape.
4. If you are planting vegetable seeds, mark (with a black marker) the amount of space between each seed (see the back of seed package). Put a drop of glue on each marked spot (use a q-tip or toothpick). Drop a seed on each glue dot. Fold over the strip or place another shape on top of the glue shape.
5. LET DRY OVERNIGHT.   You can store until ready to plant. Before planting, spray each seed tape with water to thoroughly moisten. This process will speed up germination. Lay seed tape on top of damp soil and cover with damp soil.
6. Make sure seed tape gets warmth and sun and stays moist.

[**You may also use cornstarch and water or flour and water]

What you will learn:

1. No seeds are wasted. Each seed is embedded into the tape medium.
2. Seed are pre-spaced perfectly and ready to be planted in the garden.
3. No thinning of baby seedlings is needed.
4. Tiny seeds like carrots and lettuce are easier to place on tape medium than sprinkle into the soil.
5. You can prepare seed tape medium and store until ready to use for as long as the expiration date on the seed packet says.