Materials to make a small basket:
264 book or magazine page strips- cut 2” X 5”
Cardboard circle for base

Instructions:

1. Four folds are needed to create the interlocking paper shapes. Begin with pages cut 2” X 5”
   a. Fold 1- fold half lengthwise to 1” X 5”
   b. Fold 2- fold half lengthwise again to .5” X 5”
   c. Fold 3- fold in half to create V shape
   d. Fold 4- fold each end inward towards the crease in the bottom to create a smaller V

   The folded pieces are the pieces that will lock into each other to form your structure. You will need many of them so get to work 😊

2. Interlocking the pieces- to lock two V-shaped pieces insert the 2 tabs (top of the Vs) of one piece into the two slots in a second piece. They will slip into each other and lock together. Insert a third piece and repeat to create strips of interlocking pieces.

3. Weaving the strips into circles- lock together 44 paper shapes to create one large strip. This strip is turned into a circle by interlocking the first and last tabs together. The tabs at the end of strip will need to be reopened to fit into the slots in the piece at the other end of the strip.

4. Finishing the basket- 6 stacked completed circles will create the sides of the basket. To secure the circles together, weave one piece of folded paper (Steps 1 & 2) through successive layers. This can be done on the outside of the basket as the end will be hidden by the folded tabs that make up the rings. Compression should hold the cardboard circle at the bottom of the basket, but you can also use hot glue to secure.

TIPS: the ratio between width and length of the pieces of paper should remain 2:5. You can also make bracelets, placemats, trivets, purses and more.