Make your own kente cloth

Materials:
- paint brushes
- scissors
- poster paints, in the traditional colors
- construction paper in different colors
- thick white paper

Look closely at the pictures of kente cloth. Notice the geometric shapes and bold lines. After you learn more about the patterns, you can begin to create.

Step 1:
Paint stripes and patterns onto your large, white paper.

Step 2:
Use your black paint to make some designs on your construction paper. We mainly used stripes, but try throwing in a zig-zag or two.
Step 3:
Construction papers will be cut the long way.

Step 4:
Then fold your white painted paper in half when it’s dry (best wait until the next day) and cut 1-2 inch slits ALMOST to the edge, but not quite.

Step 5:
Finally it’s time to weave! Weave your construction strips through (over and under) each of the cuts on your white painted paper. Your cloth will be beautiful!