

Even more student-made books as a response to literature
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Pyramid Book

Materials:

- 4 squares of construction paper (12" x 12")
- 4 triangles of lined paper (8" x 9 ½" x 12")
- Stapler
- Glue stick
- Images, magazine illustrations, etc.
- Marking pens
- Scissors

Directions:

1. Fold large square diagonally, both ways
2. Cut up one fold line to center in each square of paper
3. Pull the two sections of the cut portions to overlap and staple/glue
4. Do this procedure to all four squares
5. Glue images to each finished quadrant
6. Student writes response or facts onto the cut lined paper triangles
7. Glue triangle pieces to bottom of each quadrant
8. Glue all four quadrants together to form a pyramid

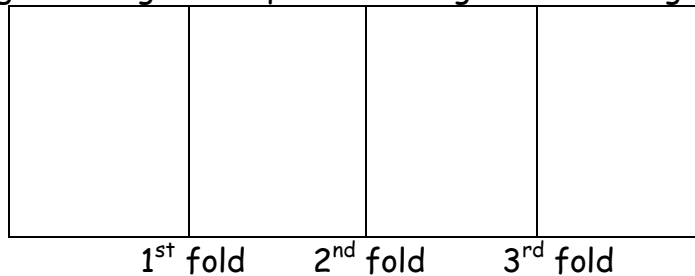
Magic/Puzzle Book

Materials:

- 1 rectangle of construction paper (8" x 10")
- 2 strips of paper of contrasting colors (2 3/8" x 8")
- Scissors
- Ruler

Directions:

1. Fold the large rectangle into quarters using the "hamburger/burrito fold"



2. Cut three slits from the first fold to the third fold every 2 inches.

3. Insert contrasting strips through the slits to create a basket weave effect.
4. Separate the peak of the center fold to create a "magic" opening (think of the effect of Jacob's Ladder toy)
5. Variation: Extra-large Ellison die-cut pattern

Paper Bag Album

Materials:

- 3 or more paper bags (same size)
- Stapler
- Embellishments
- Marking pens
- Scissors
- Glue stick

Directions:

1. Place 3-4 bags stacked length-wise
2. Fold bags in half
3. Staple along fold line
4. Create various text boxes in different shapes with lined paper
5. Cut some of the open bag ends so that a "lift-the-flap" technique occurs
6. Embellish each page with rick-rack, ribbon, sequins, etc.
7. Variation: Glue an outline of the major continents with facts on separate pages and have the facing page filled with facts.

Paper Bag Book

Materials:

- Paper bag
- Lined paper cut to fit the folded bag size
- 1 12" length of ribbon or yarn
- Hole punch
- Scissors
- Marking pens to decorate or cut out images

Directions:

1. Fold paper bag in half with flap on the inside
2. Place pre-cut lined paper inside next to the fold
3. Hole punch two holes through all layers close to the fold line
4. Thread 12" ribbon or yarn through the holes and tie in a bow on the front of the paper bag book.

Accordion Paper Book

Materials:

- One strip of paper to fit the die-cut box
- One purchased or die-cut paper box (tag board is a good weight)
- Scissors
- Marking pens
- Glue stick

Directions:

1. Fold the strip of paper in accordion pleats to fit inside the desired box
2. Glue one end of the strip to the bottom of the box
3. Write /draw on the remaining pages.
4. Close the lid on the box when not in use.

(Star book instructions are on the next page)

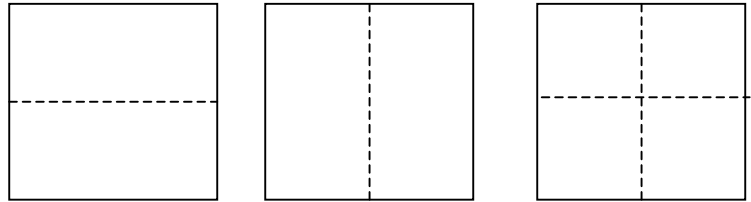
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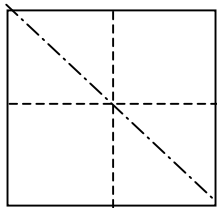
4" squares - 5 pieces of colored paper – color or design on both sides of the paper.

18" length of $\frac{1}{8}$ " wide ribbon any color

Fold each 4" square in half each way.



Then fold once on the diagonal.



Push the folds on the diagonal in and 'pop' the unfolded sides toward the fold in the middle.

Glue one of the pieces of heavy paper to the end of one of your folded papers. Be sure to put your ribbon between the heavy paper and the first folded paper. Glue it with a Glue Stick. Repeat this process with the last page. When you are done your book will look like a star and the ribbon can be tied to keep it closed or tied to keep it open.

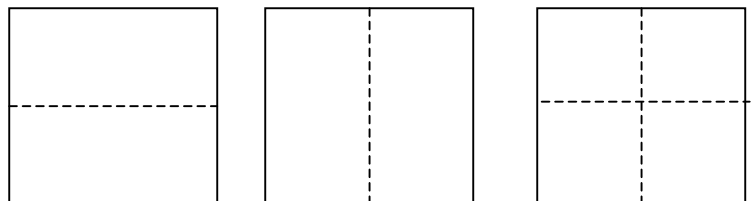
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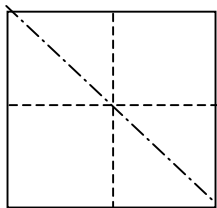
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