

Scrap Book Making

Age: 7-11 Group size: 20

Duration: 40 mins



Preparation time: 60 mins

Resources

- For the hardback covers, card cut into roughly A4 – cereal packets are ideal
- Book coverings, wallpaper/ fabric/ thick coloured paper
- To decorate the cover: scraps of paper, magazine pages, sticky shapes, fabric glitter
- For the spine: thick paper strips longer than the cardboard, about 8cms wide
- For the pages: paper that is cut slightly shorter than the length and just less than double the width of the card covers, then folded and stapled to make the pages
- Glue
- scissors



This can be a fairly tricky activity but once the children know how to do this technique they can make their own books to publish big writing etc.

Either show children a mock up that you have already made or go through the activity in the steps outlined below.



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Step 1: ensure each child has a pair of card covers, a binding strip, pages and material as a book cover.

Step 2: generously paste the card covers on one side only. Place the card covers onto the middle of the book covers and press all over. Next fold each corner over the card and glue it down. Then fold the other outside edges over and glue down.

Step 3: glue the binding strip on one side and down the edges not the middle. Then place the covers onto the binding strip leaving a small gap between them to accommodate the pages. When happy with the positioning, fold over the top and bottom of the binding strip and glue in place.

Step 4: take the pages and glue all over the first page then stick that page to the inside front cover of the book. Repeat with the back page, then staple the middle again so that it is stuck to the spine.

Step 5: personalise the front cover.

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