

Strategically placed folds and cuts transform single folios into pockets and/or windows and is an adaptation of a drum leaf or board book. It's another useful structure for single folio pages, as it allows for using multiple paper colors and types, as well as other possibilities to alter the page. The text block can be bound in a variety of covers, but we will make a simple schoolbook cover for our volume. Our models will serve as a sample book showing the structure and possible page variations it allows.

Paper

All paper should have grain parallel to the height.

• Pages:

(12) sheets cover or card stock 5.5" high x 8.5" (65 or 80 lb)

(2) sheets cover or card stock 5.5" high x 9.5" wide (65 or 80 lb) (if longer sheets are not available to you, we can do an adaption using a few smaller sheets) All these sheets of paper can be any color(s) you want, or a variety of colors.

• Inserts:

(6) pieces of paper 4.5" high x 3" wide to insert in the pockets.

These will be trimmed down to fit. They could be little doodles, photos, postcards, but should all be able to be trimmed down. Save the important and precious items to display for another book!

• Cover: (1) sheet of text weight paper 12" high x 19" wide

This can be cut from a roll of paper if need be: wrapping paper, butcher paper, etc. but best not to have any folds.

Optional:

• Clear Mylar or acetate: 3" x 4.5"

• Translucent film/paper: Denril, Dur-a-lar, or (thin) Yupo, or see-through tracing paper 3" x 4.5"

• Double-sided tape to adhere the Mylar and films if you use them, 1/4" wide

Tools:

• Pencil

• Scissors

• Bone folder

• Metal ruler, 12"

• X-acto knife, or similar craft knife and extra blades

• Self-healing cutting mat

• Glue stick

• Piercing tool or awl

• Right triangle

• Scrap paper for gluing, including some strips (20) about 3/4" x 6"

• Westcott C-thru 2" x 12" or 1" x 6" gridded clear ruler (optional, but very helpful)

• Circular (or other shape) hole punches (with a long reach) to make windows: 1/2" – 1" (optional)

• Drawing tools: Colored pencils, markers, fine black marker (optional)

• Any other tools you like to use