

Star Book Assembly Instructions

Supplies:

Paper: (7) 4x12 Print, (7) 4x9 Print,
(7) 4x6 Print, (7) 8x8 Print

(2) Bookbinding Needles

(7) Decorative Paper Clips

Seed Beads, 3 Yards Waxed Linen Thread

Strong Adhesive (CS® Bookbinding Glue)

Craft Knife, Ruler, Cutting Mat, Bone Folder

1. Fold 12x4, 9x4 and 6x4 Prints in half, maintaining 4" height on all papers. For 12x4, fold with printed side out; for all others, fold with printed side in. Reinforce all folds with a bone folder.

2. Fold 8x8 square in half, printed side out. Open and fold in half the other direction. Use a craft knife and ruler to cut an angle from the top of the center fold to the outer edge of the next fold. Make a second angle cut to create a point as shown in **Fig. A**. Repeat for six remaining squares.

3. Fold square in half and in half again to create an angled pocket. (**Fig. B**)

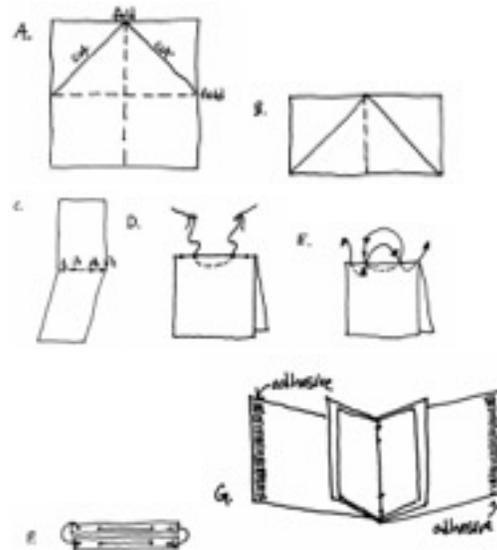
4. Pierce four holes with needle or paper piercing tool into fold of 4x12 Print at .5", 1.25", 2.75", and 3.5". Use this as a pattern to pierce same holes into six remaining papers. (**Fig. C**) Transfer same pattern of holes into folds of the 4x6 Print.

5. To create the first "signature", nest one piece of 4x6 paper on top of the 4x12 paper aligning the pre-pierced holes. Repeat this process to create the remaining six signatures.

6. Thread one needle onto each end of the bookbinding thread. Working from the inside of the fold out, enter the second hole with needle #1. Enter the third hole with needle #2, making sure to find the approximate center of the thread, as if you were lacing a pair of shoes. Now the needles will both be on the outside of the fold. (**Fig. D**)

7. Criss-cross threads and bring needle #1 down in to the third hole. Bring needle #2 down into the second hole. (**Fig. E**)

8. Bring each needle out of the nearest outside holes – 1 and 4, as shown in **Fig. E**.



9. Keeping the first signature folded closed, position another signature of papers next to the first stitched signature so that the stitching holes line up. Bring needles into closest neighboring outer holes, stitching back into the inside of the fold. (**Fig. F**) Repeat same stitching pattern as in the first signature. Bring needles up through holes 2 and 3, criss-cross, back down into holes 2 and 3, and out through outer holes 1 and 4. Repeat to attach remaining signatures.

10. If you choose to add beads to your stitches, add a row of ten beads to one of the threads prior to making the criss-cross stitch. (You may need to remove the needle in order to thread the beads.) Add beads to the even numbered signatures only – 2, 4, and 6.

11. Locate the first page of the book; open. Apply adhesive to the outer edges of the 4x12 page (**Fig. G**). Attach the 4x9 paper to the adhesive, carefully aligning the edges and corners with the 4x12 paper. Although the 4x9 paper is shorter, you'll notice that this will form the point of a star. Repeat for all signatures.

12. In the same manner, run adhesive along the left and right outer edges of the 4x9 paper and attach the folded pocket page, ensuring the pocket fold is at the bottom of the book.

13. To finish your book, attach outer pages together with clips to form the star. Decorate all exposed pages

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