

Teen



Mini Cereal Box Notebooks

Supplies needed:

- piece of cereal box cardboard (5x7)
- decorative paper
- 8 sheets white paper
- fastener
- string
- 2 beads
- scissors
- glue stick
- stapler
- push pin



Directions:

Step 1: Place your piece of cereal box cardboard on the table with the colored/illustrated side face down.

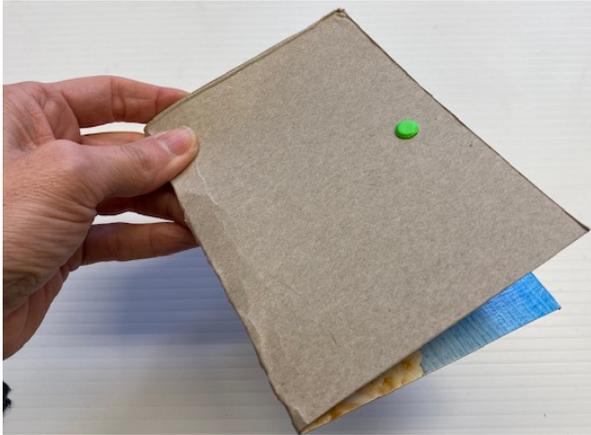
- Use a push pin to make a small hole on the right side of the cardboard piece away from the edge, and in the center of the short end.

Step 2: Insert the fastener through the hole.

- Flip the cardboard over and secure the fastener by bending the prongs flat against the cardboard.



Step 3: Fold the piece of cereal box in half so that the colored/illustrated side of the cardboard piece is on the inside.



Step 4: Unfold your cardboard.

- Center the stack of paper sheets onto the colored side (this is the inside of the notebook) of the cardboard.
 - Staple the sheets to the center fold.
- *You don't want the paper to extend past the cardboard. If your paper is longer than the cardboard, just trim the paper.

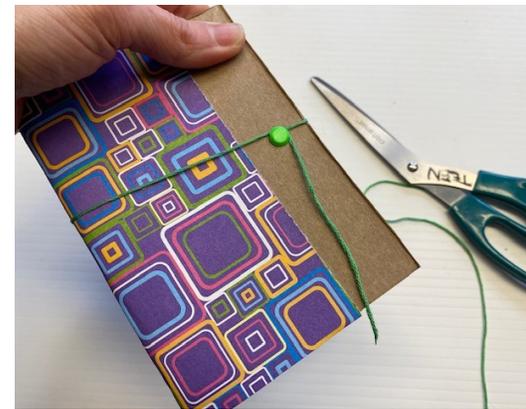


Step 5: Time to decorate.

- Use decorative sheets to enhance the front and back cover of your notebook.
- You can glue one large sheet over the cardboard, you can trim the sheet smaller leaving part of the cardboard exposed (like my picture), or you can cut out shapes from the decorative sheet to glue onto the cardboard.

Step 6: Use the string to keep the notebook closed.

- First attach one end of the string to the fastener with a knot.
- Now wrap the string around the back of your notebook to the front.
- Secure the string under the fastener. This leaves a long tail hanging down. Trim the extra from the knot and tail, but leave enough to tie on your beads.



Step 7: Attach the beads.

- Thread the string through the first bead.
- Thread the second bead.
- Use the thread to tie the second bead so they don't fall off.

