

## Instructions for making a concertina book

These instructions will make a book 10cm by 10cm and can be made from 2 sheets of A4

2 sheets of A4 will give 8 front facing pages and 6 reverse pages

The 3rd A4 piece of paper will be required to decorate the front and back covers

The sort of paper you use will influence which media you can use for your illustrations

If you want to use a wet medium I would recommend using watercolour paper.

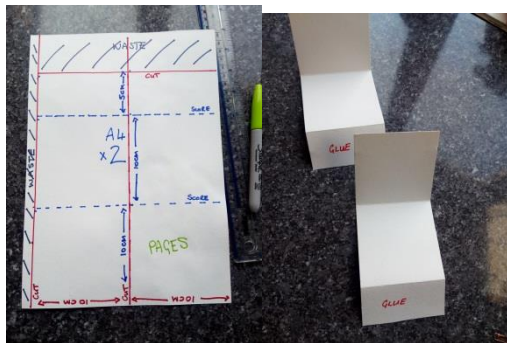
### PAGES;

From each sheet of A4 cut two strips 10cm wide across the short edge.

Score each strip at 10cm and 20cm and finally at 25cm. cut off the rest of the length.

Fold each strip in a concertina fashion, the smaller flap being used to attach the next strip

Glue the flaps to the back of the new strip and cut off the final one as this will not be required.



### COVERS

Using thin card cut two squares 11cm by 11 cm (you could use something like cereal box)

From the 3<sup>rd</sup> sheet cut 2 pieces 14cm by 14cm

Also you will need about 70cm of ¼" ribbon (or string)

Score each of the cover papers 1.5cm in at all four edges. At the corners snip a triangle off the corner. When you fold over the edges the corners should now mitre

Stick the cover to the cardboard folding over the edges. Once the glue has dried make a slit about 2 cm in from the right hand edge on the front and from the left edge on the back cover. Poke the ribbon through this slot. I use a bent paperclip to help with this. Leave about 5 cm of the ribbon on the inside.



To complete the book glue the first and last page to the front and back covers and tie the ribbon around to secure.

Enjoy your book.

Don't forget to post an image and let us know how you got on.

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