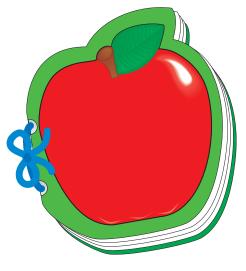
How to make a shaped book open flat... Imagine the possibilities by Susan DeMuth

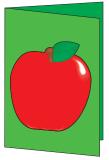




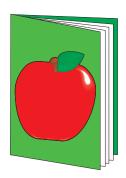


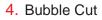


Glue on a sheet of an apple notepad.



3. Add filler pages.

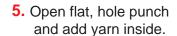


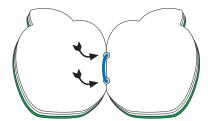


DON'T CUT OFF The FOLD!

Helpful Hint:

Keep the pages from shifting during the cutting process by placing a staple on the outer corner.





6. Close & tie yarn outside.



Directions:

Fold a piece of 8 1/2" x 11" colored copier paper in half. Add a notepad shape of your choice on the front cover with a glue stick. Place it 1/2" from the fold edge. Fold several pieces of filler paper in half, crease well, and place inside the cover. Hold the book closed and "bubble cut" 1/2" around three sides as shown. DO NOT CUT OFF THE FOLD. Open the book and use a 1/4" hole punch through the center fold. Place punch in as far as it will reach on the center fold. Punch through all the layers at once. Books with a lot of pages may need to be done in sections. Tie with 12" piece of yarn. Ready, set, write... The possibilities are endless! "My trip to the Apple Farm." Make the books ahead of time and take them on the trip to jot down field notes. "All about apples," "My book of "A" words" or, "All about Johnny Appleseed." What else can you think of? Sample above is made with Large Notepad SE-115 Apple / Mac.

Materials:

White copier paper for filler pages, colored paper for cover, scissors, glue stick, yarn, and your imagination! one

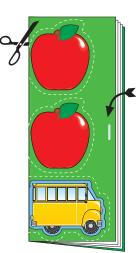
Variations:

Use various notepads to fit your theme.

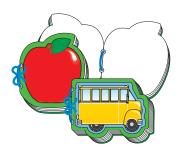


Rotate wide designs and tie





Make itty bitty books with mini notepads. Fold the paper in half the long way. Use the same process as shown above. Make several books at a time!



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