# BOOK BINDING

### A KIDS' CRAFT IN 9 STEPS



# HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO MAKE A BOOK?

Not just write one, or draw one, but actually make a real book where you can pick your cover design, include author information, and bind your pages together?

Well, with this fun craft... you can!

Just gather the supplies below and get started! You can also do a live craft tutorial with Aunt Katie by contacting her at auntkatie@auntkatiesplace.com or through Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter @auntkatiesplace.

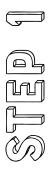
### SUPPLIES NEEDED

Ruler



<sup>\*</sup>Interior lined sheets, comic book sheets, about the author pages, and awards sheet can be downloaded from www.auntkatiesplace.com/blog\*

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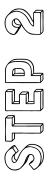


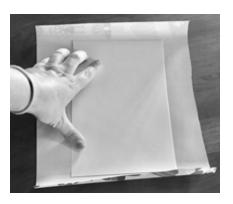






Take your interior pages and one sheet of your colored paper and fold it all in half. Place your interior pages inside the folded colored page to create a booklet. Staple three times about 1/4 inch away from the folded the edge. One toward the top, one in the middle, and one toward the bottom.









Glue one side of the poster board to the wrapping paper. Fold wrapping paper over board edges and glue down. (For best results: Start with the left and ride sides and fold toward the center. Glue underneath each side and press flat, making sure the paper is taut with the edge. Fold the corners on the top and bottom sides so that they make small triangles. Fold the top and bottom sides toward the center. Glue underneath each side and press flat, making sure the paper is taut with the edge.)







Take the second sheet of colored paper and cut it in half. Trim and glue the paper to cover the unwrapped portion of the board.

### REPEAT STEPS 2 AND 3 WITH THE SECOND PIECE OF POSTER BOARD.

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Lay the two boards with their long sides parallel to each other with the wrapping paper facing up (colored paper facing down). Make sure the boards are about 1/2" apart. Cut a piece of duct tape that is long enough to connect the boards lengthwise plus two inches. Place the tape so that it is connecting the longest sides to each other, but still leaves the 1/2" gap. Fold the excess tape onto the other side.







Repeat Step 4 on the colored paper side. You've now created your book cover.

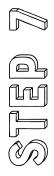








Take the interior booklet, and lay it flat on one side of the board so that the folded edge is touching the center of your new book cover. Cut a piece of duct tape that will run the length of the booklet. Tape the booklet down. Repeat on the other side of the booklet so that both sides are now taped down.

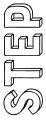






Decorate your cover and write your book! Make sure to include some information about the author... you!



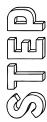




When you've finished decorating and writing your book, you'll need to press it flat. Find some very large, heavy books and lay them on top of your new book for a few days. This will help flatten the spine of your book so your cover won't keep popping



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What did you write your book about? How did you design your cover? Did you make a comic book or a novel? I'd love to see it!

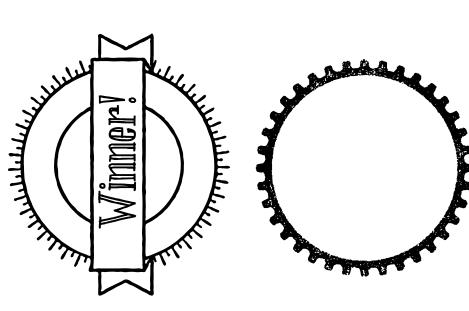
# BOOK AWARDS

Place them on your front or back cover, inside your book, or wherever you want! Your book is a winner! I'm sure your book will win many awards! Here are a few to get you started.

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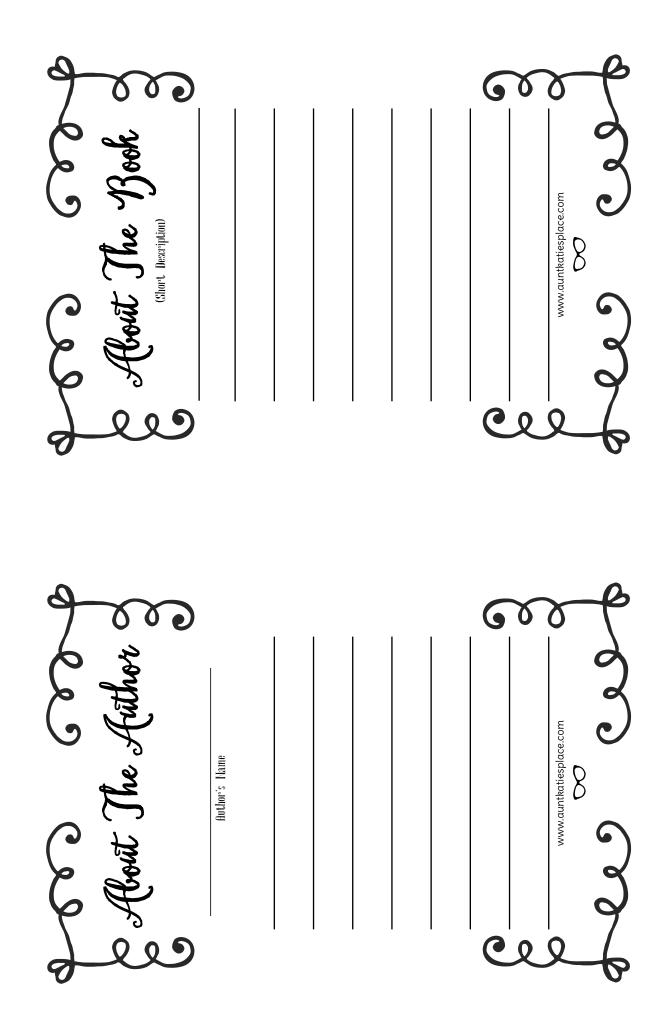
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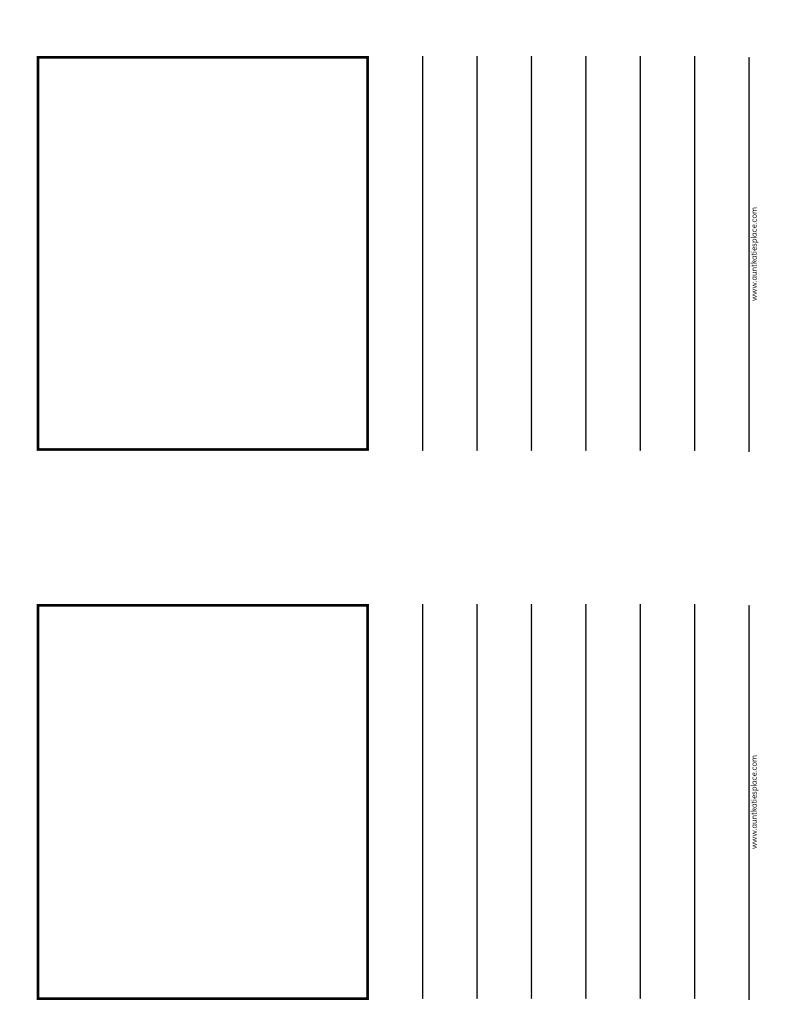


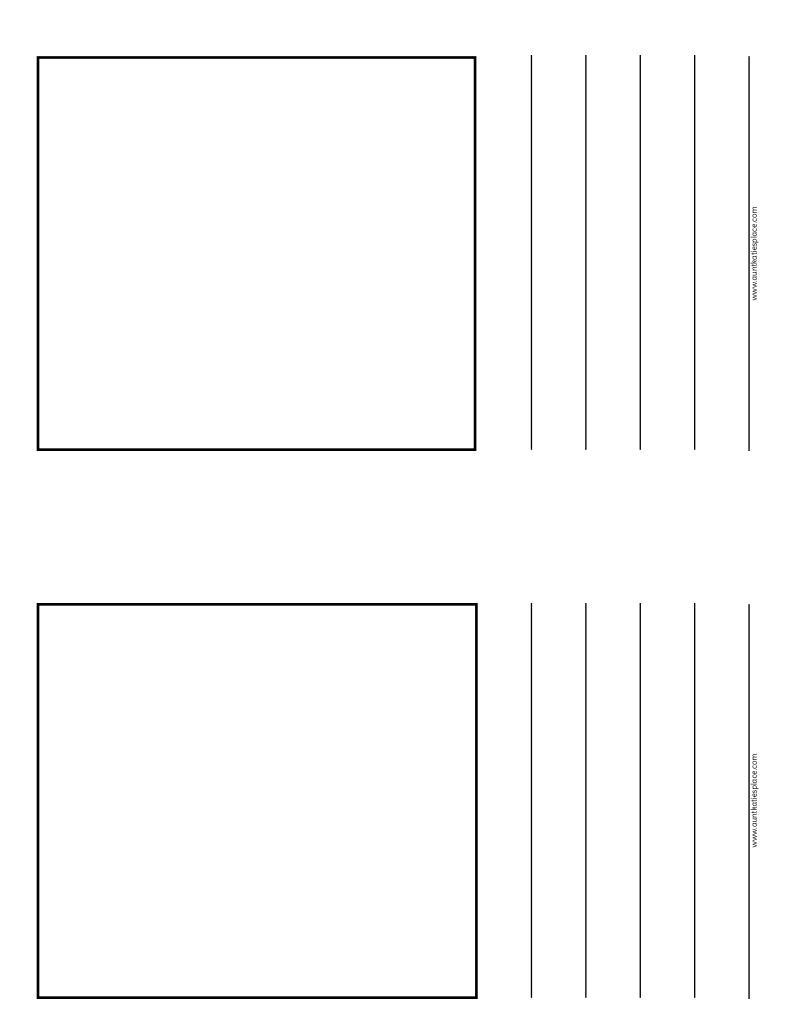




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