

Scrapbook Box Supplies

PVA Adhesive

An archival adhesive available from most archival supply vendors

Weight

1/16" Board

I use E-Flute corrugated board from Gaylord

Straight Edge

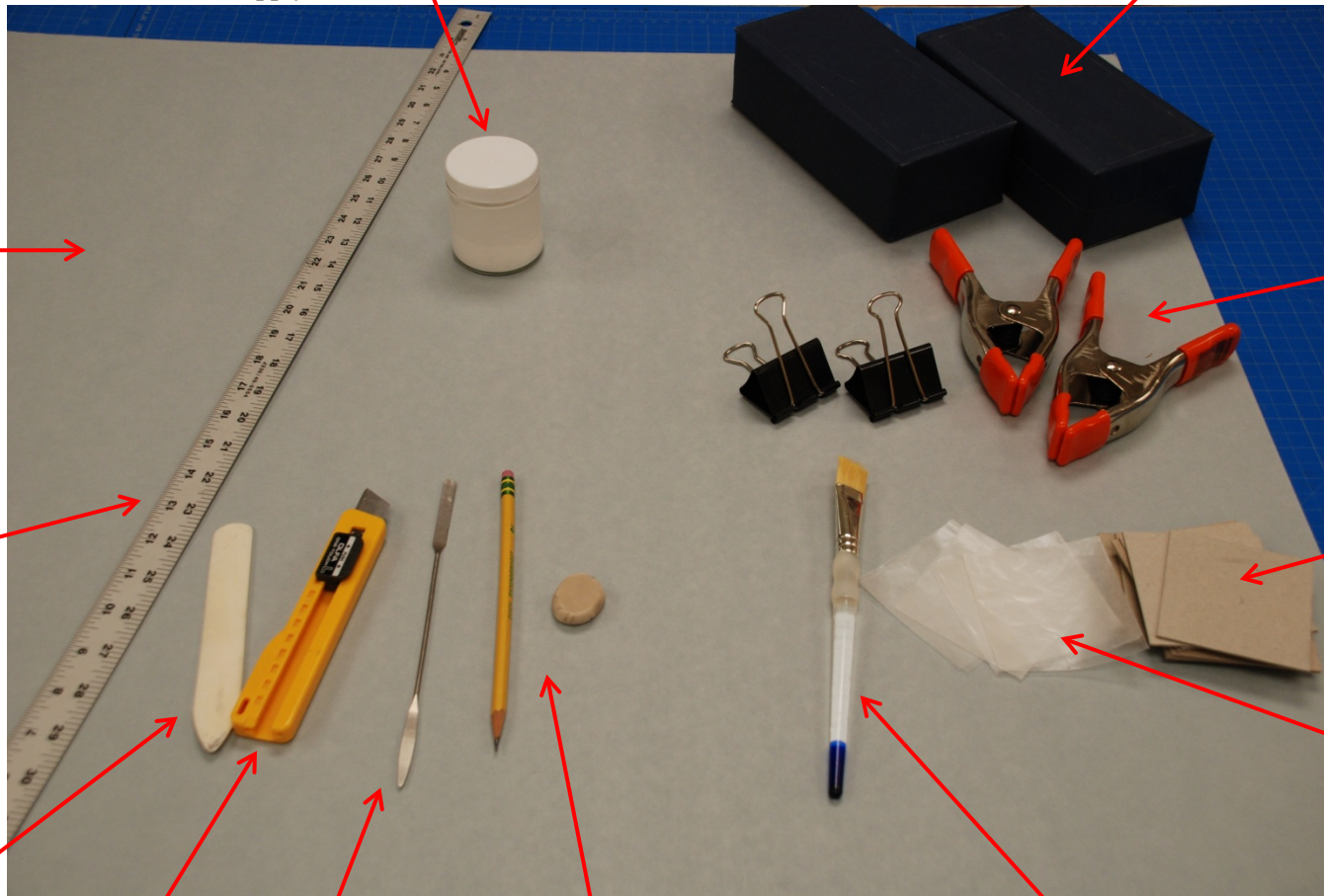
It should be longer than the shorter dimension of your board

Clamps

You can use binder clips, clamps from a hardware store, or even clothes pins

Scrap board pieces

Wax Paper



Bone Folder

Knife

Microspatula

Pencil and Eraser

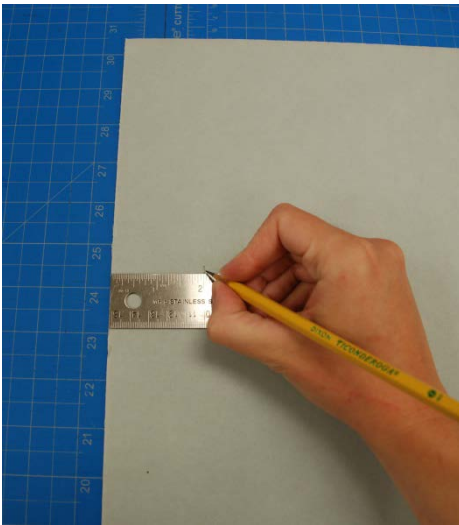
Paint brush

Scrapbook Box Instructions

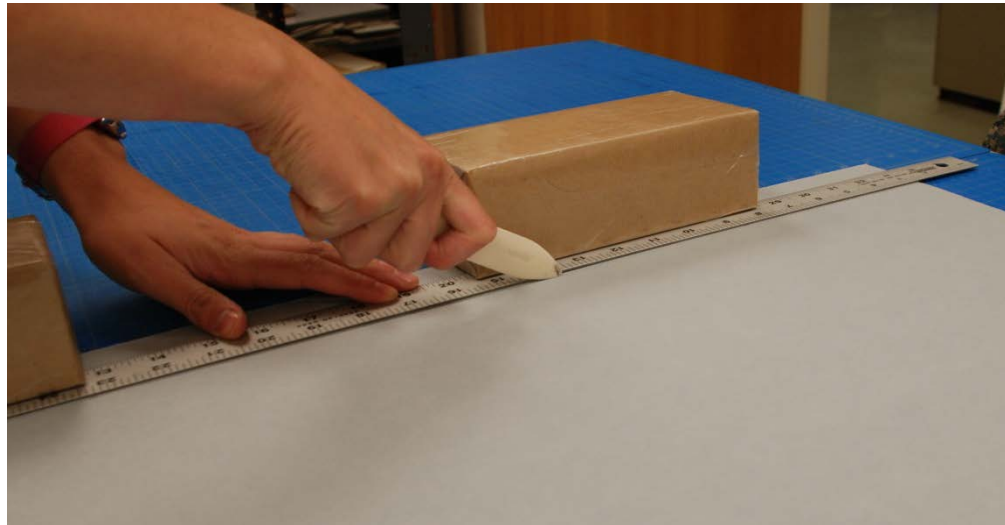
1. Find the thickest part of your book, and measure that thickness.



2. From one of the shorter edges of the board, make a fold that is one book thickness from the edge.



a) Mark the measurement



b) Score the line where you'll make the fold with a bone folder

3. Fold the flap you just made up to 90 degrees. This is Flap A. Set the book on the board with its front edge butting up against Flap A.

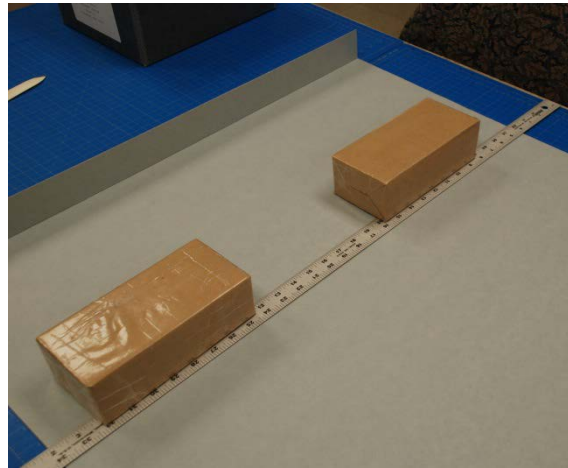


If you are right handed, it makes most sense to view the box from the top. It seems upside-down, but it will make it easier to make your folds and cuts.

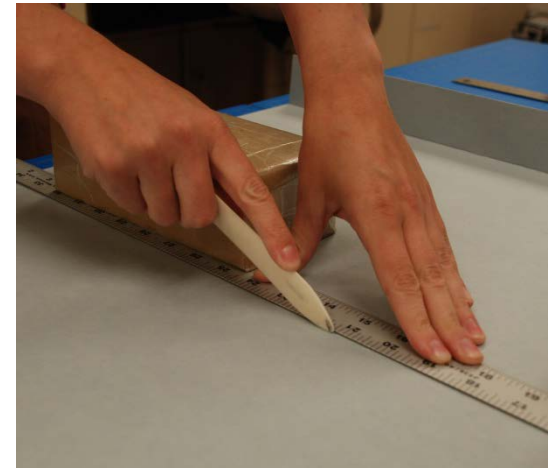
4. Make a fold on the board at the spine edge of the book



a) Line up your straight edge along the spine

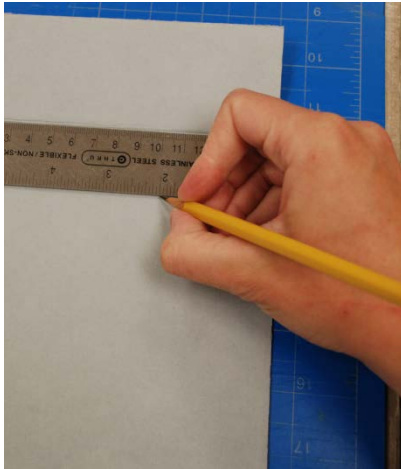


b) Hold the straight edge in place with weights and remove the book

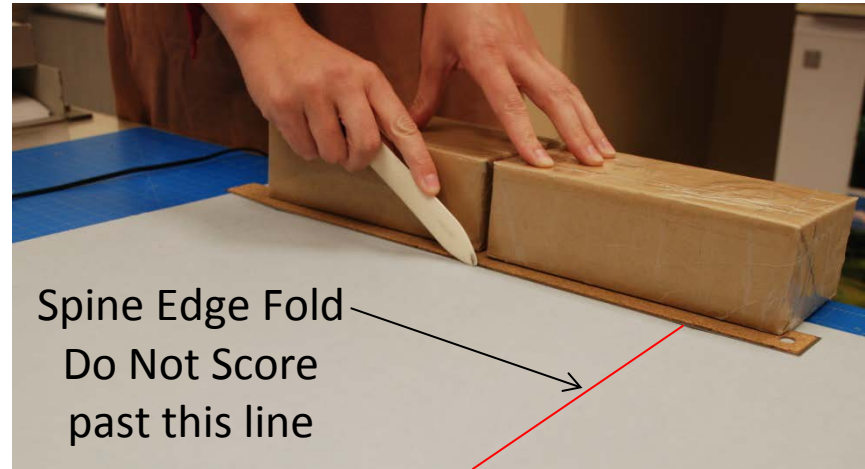


c) Score along your straight edge to make your fold

5. Make a fold that is one book thickness from the bottom edge of the board, just between the spine edge fold and the front edge of the board.

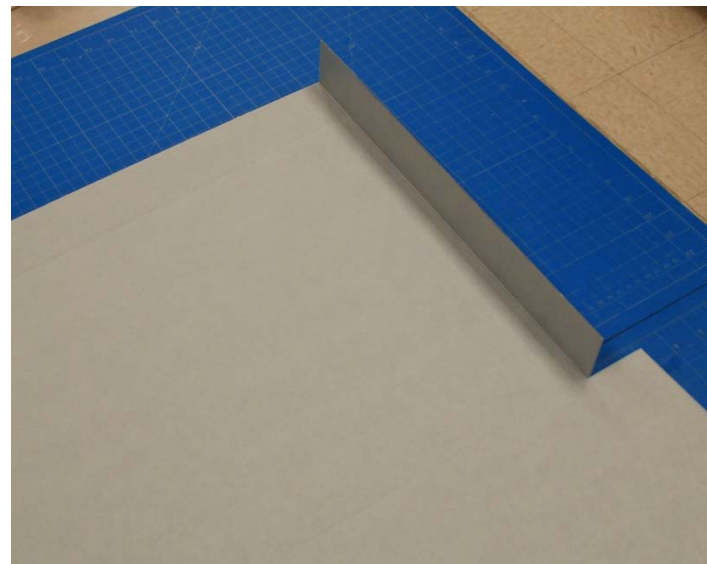
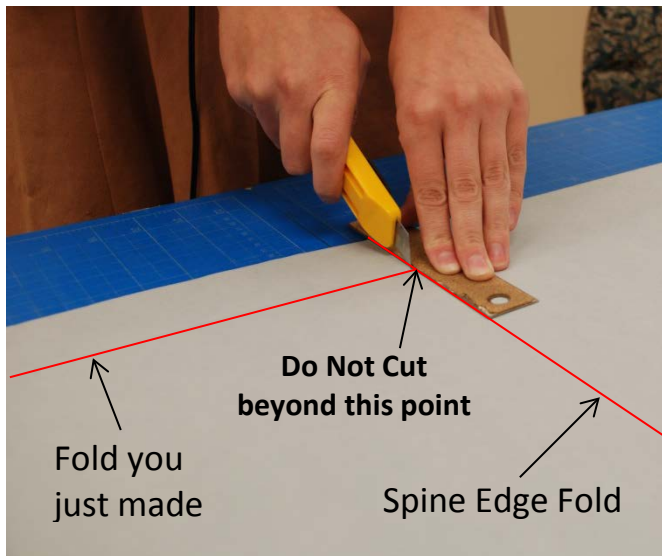


a) Mark the measurement



b) Score along your straight edge just from the spine edge fold, no further

6. Cut from the fold you just made down to the bottom edge of the board. Fold that flap up. This is Flap B.



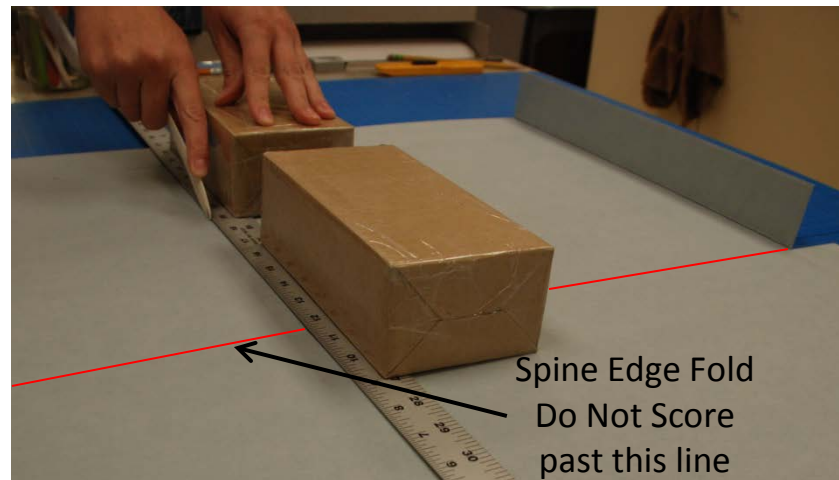
7. Place the book against Flap B. Make a fold on the board at the top edge of the book.



a) Place book against Flap B

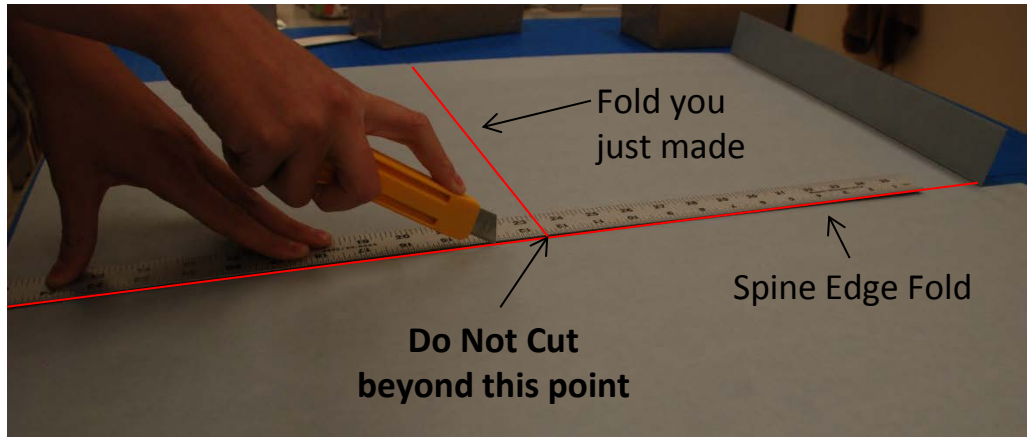


b) Line up your straight edge with the top of the book

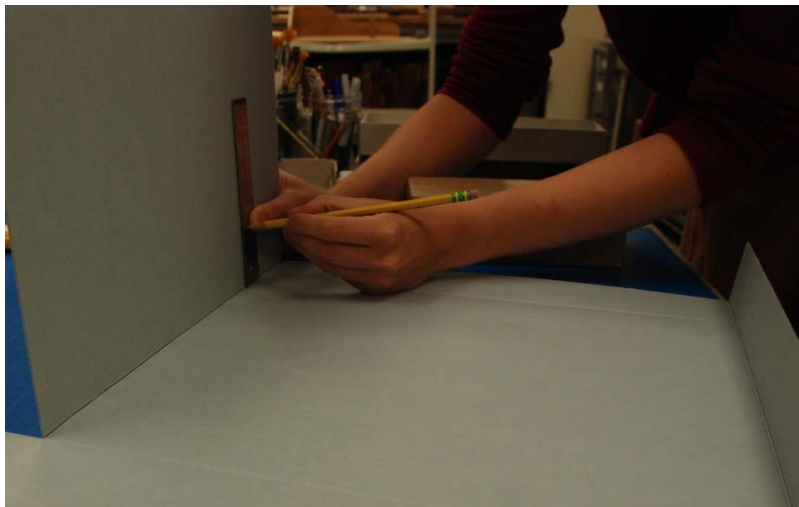


c) Score along your straight edge just from the spine edge fold, no further

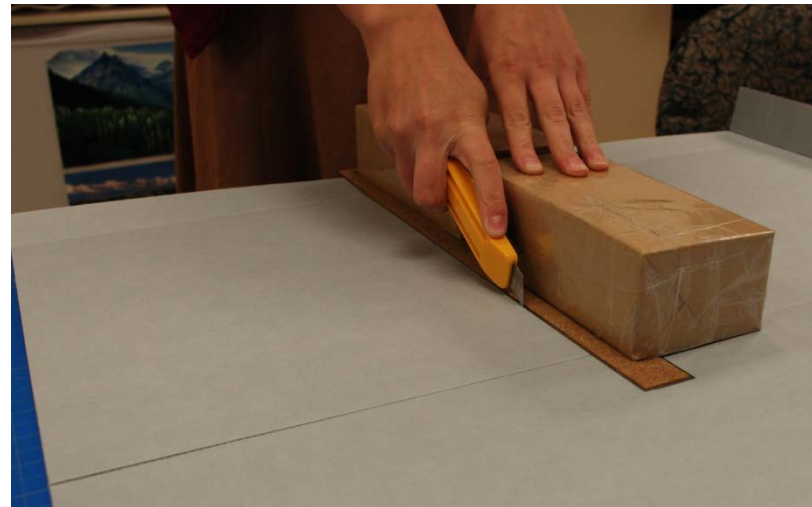
8. Cut from the fold you just made up to the top edge of the board. Fold that flap up. This is Flap C.



9. Measure one book thickness up Flap C, and cut it down to that size.

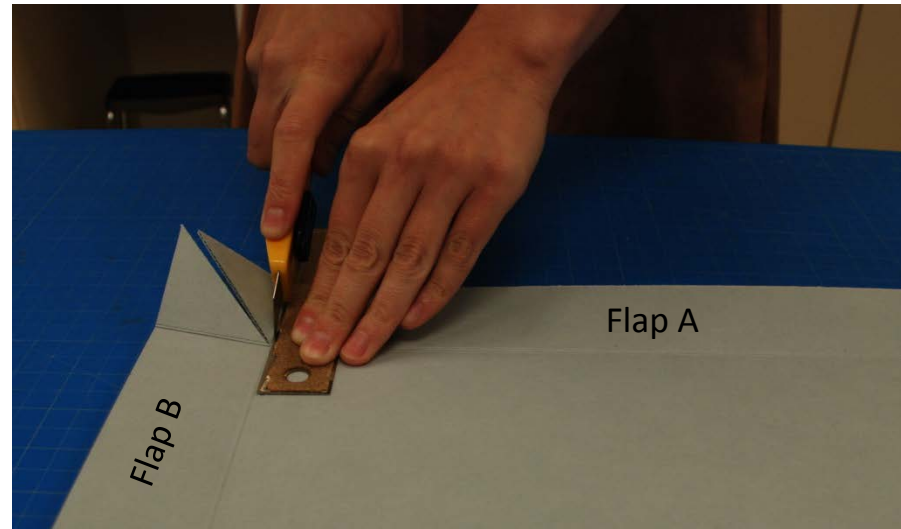
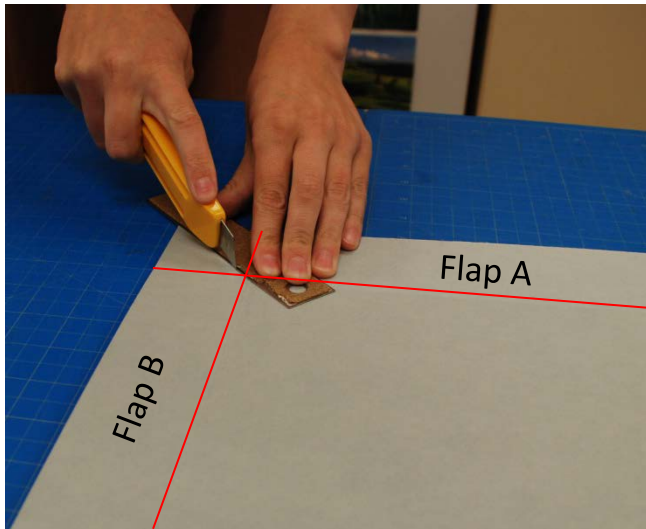


a) Measure with the flap folded up

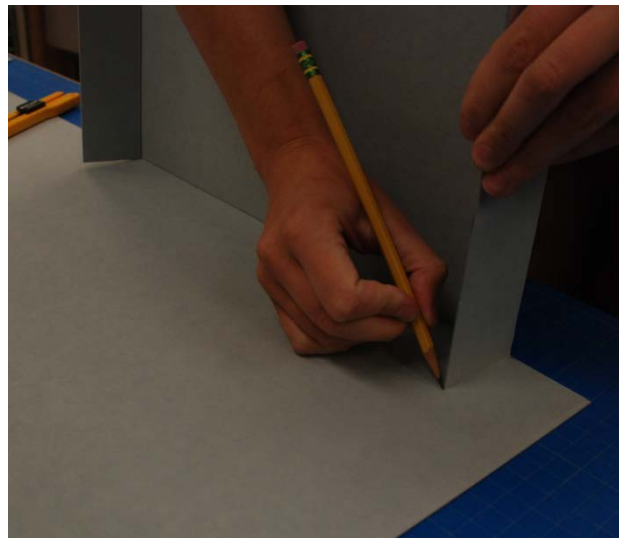


b) Do not cut beyond the spine edge fold

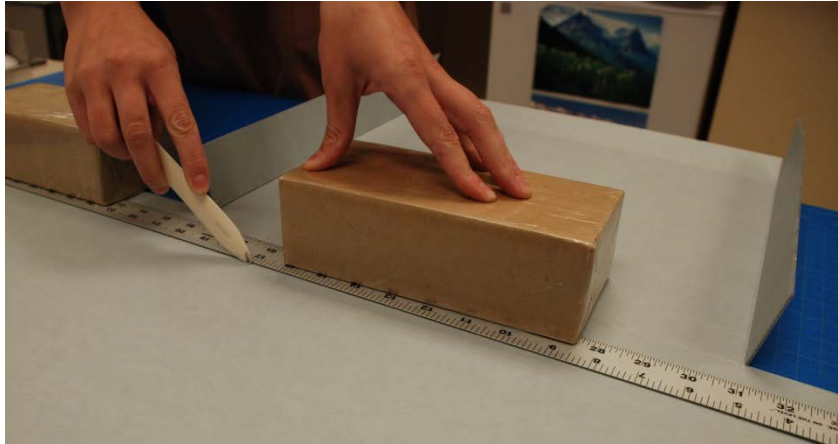
10. Make diagonal cuts at the corners. Cut off the triangles on Flap A, leaving the triangles on Flap B and Flap C.



11. Fold up Flap B and Flap C to 90 degrees, and fold the board at the spine fold. Mark where Flap B and Flap C hit the board.

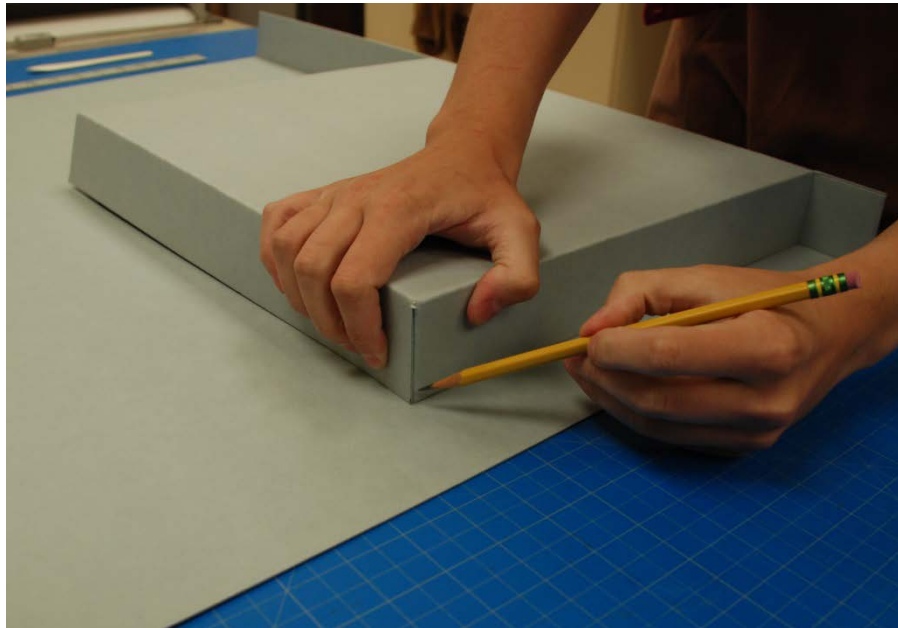


12. Make a fold at the marks you just made.



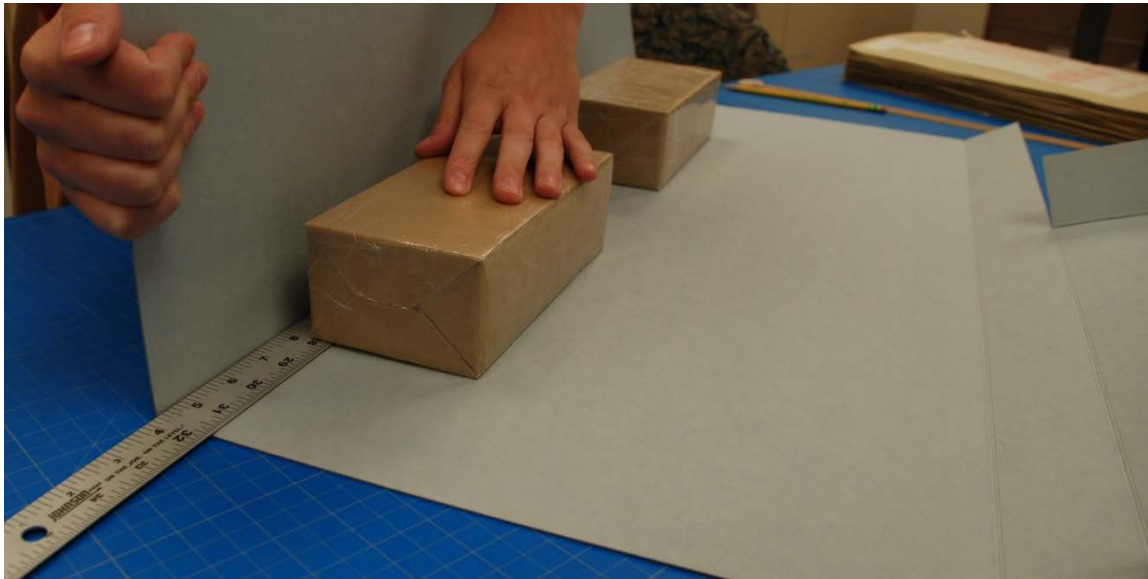
Line up your straight edge along the marks you just made, hold down the straight edge with weights, and score before folding

13. Fold all the folds you've made so far to 90 degrees. Mark where the corners of the box hit the board.



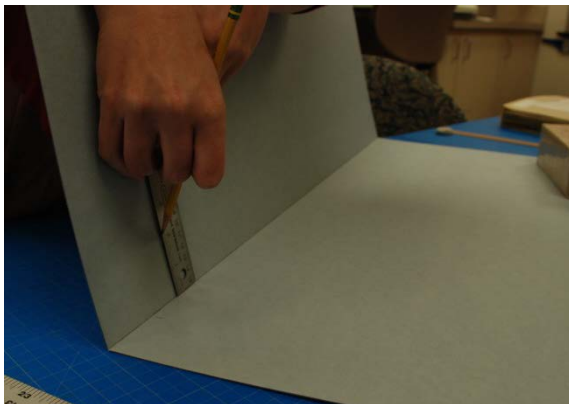
Make two marks at each corner: One along Flap A, and one along Flap B or Flap C

14. Make a fold along the line created by the corner marks.

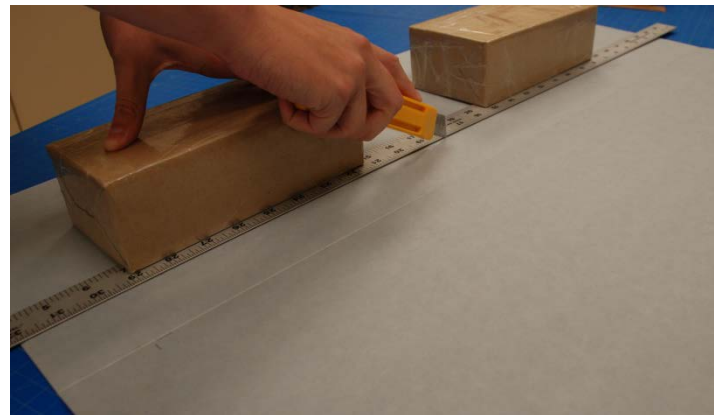


Line up your straight edge along the corner marks you made along Flap A. Score along your straight edge with a bone folder, and fold the flap up.

15. Measure and cut this flap down to slightly less than one book thickness. This is Flap D.



a) Measure while the flap is folded

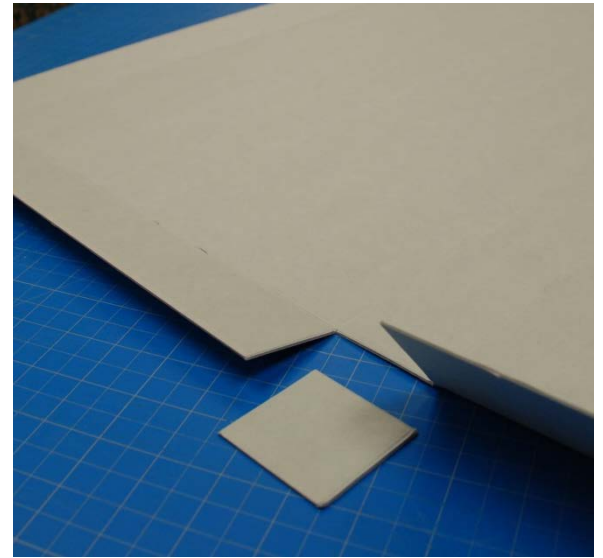
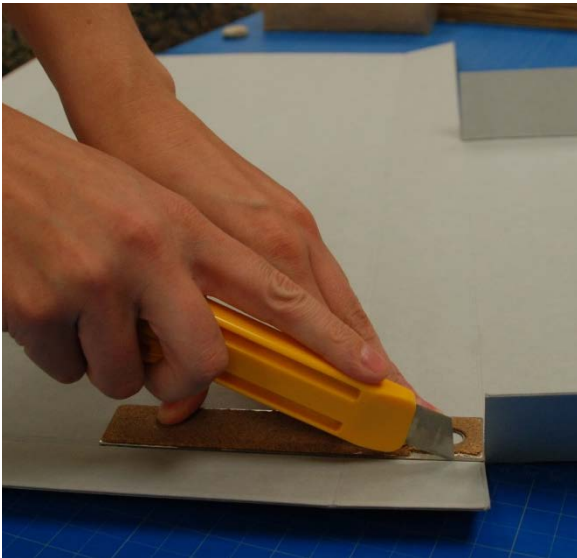


b) Cut the whole width of the board at your measurement

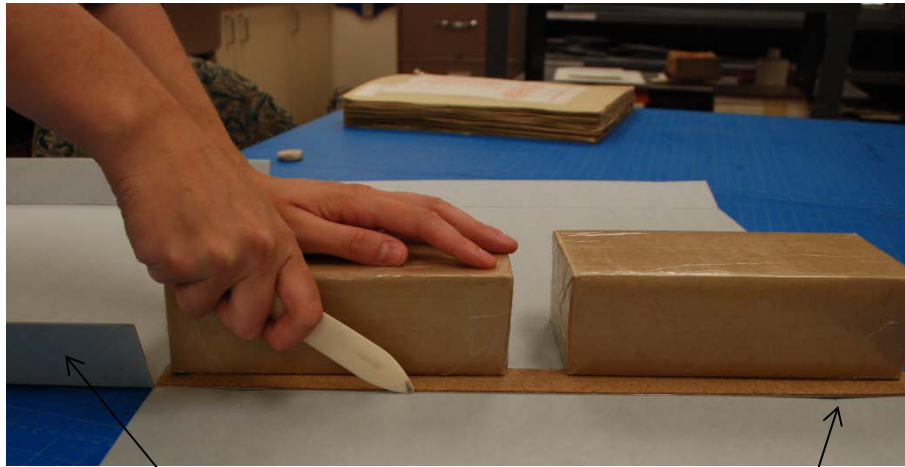
16. Make a fold along the line between the corner mark and the edge of Flap B. Fold up the flap. This is Flap E.



17. Cut away the small square on the spine edge of the box between Flap B and Flap E, cutting along the folds.

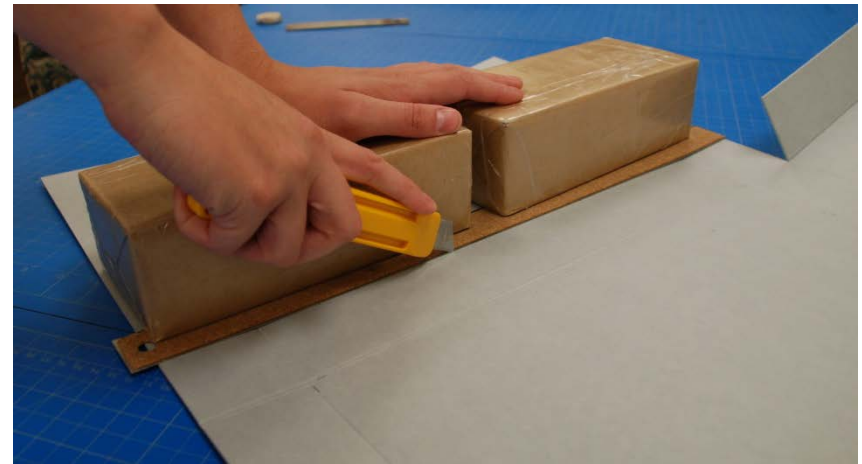


18. Make a fold along the line between the corner mark and the edge of Flap C. Cut this flap down to slightly less than one book thickness. This is Flap F.

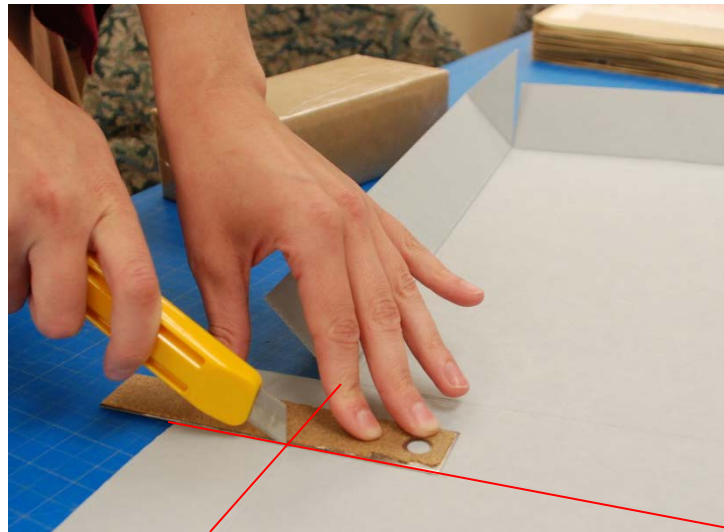


Flap C

Corner mark



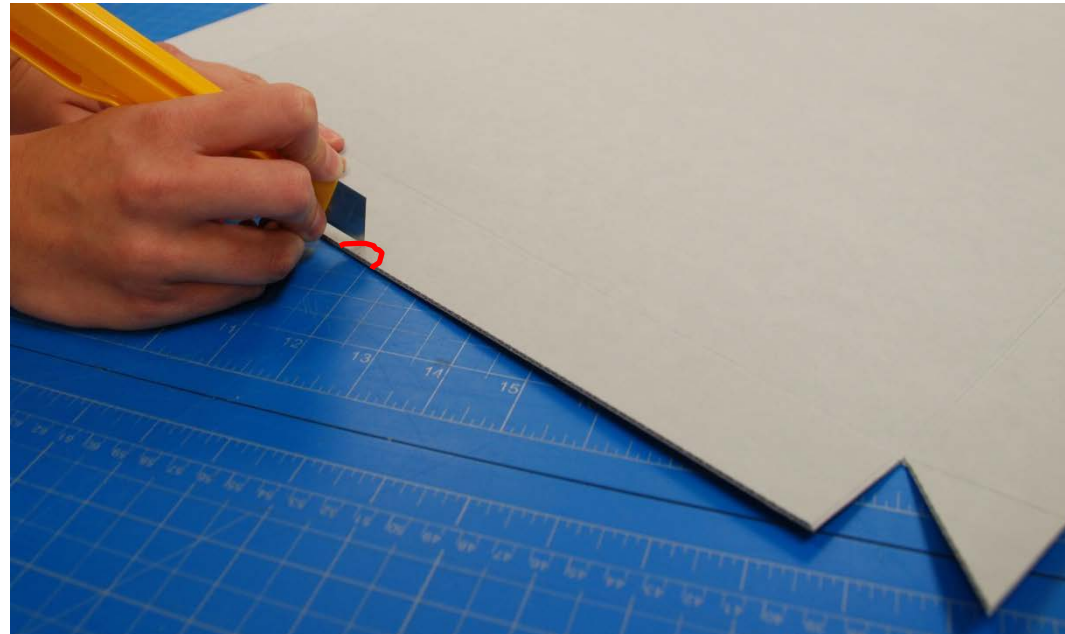
19. Cut away the small square on the spine edge of the box between Flap C and Flap F, cutting along the folds.



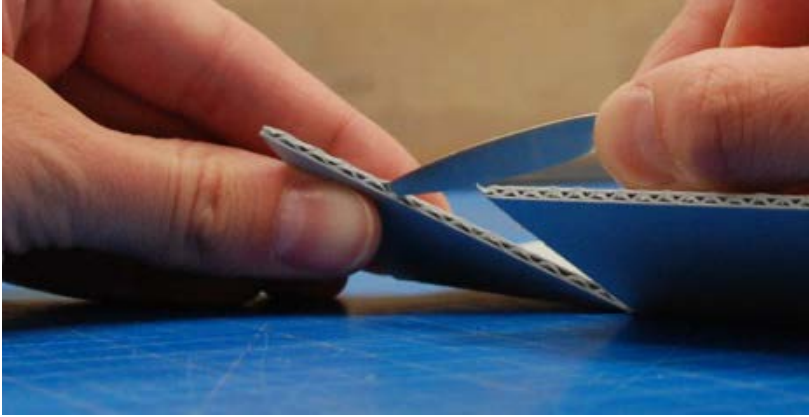
20. Make diagonal cuts at the corners. Cut off the triangles on Flap D, leaving the triangles on Flap E and Flap F.



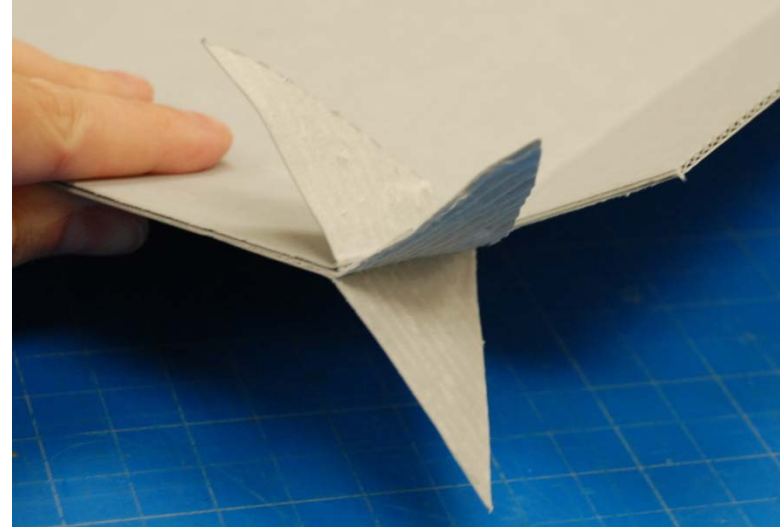
21. Cut a half circle out of the edge of the middle of Flap D to create a thumb hole.



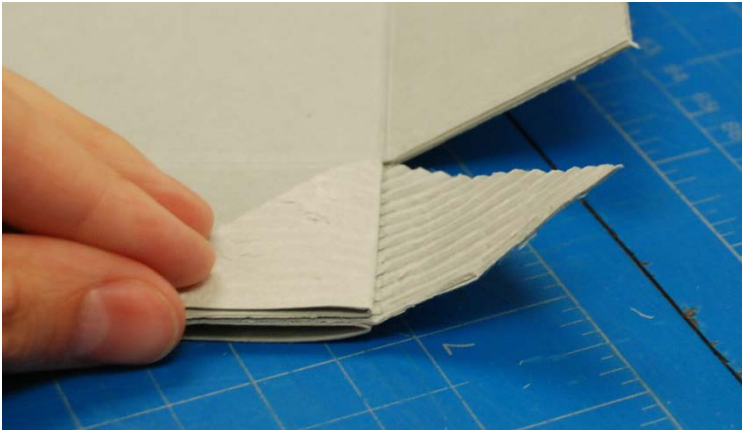
22. Delaminate the triangles.



Insert your microspatula between the paper and the corrugation to separate out all three layers



23. Cut out the corrugation

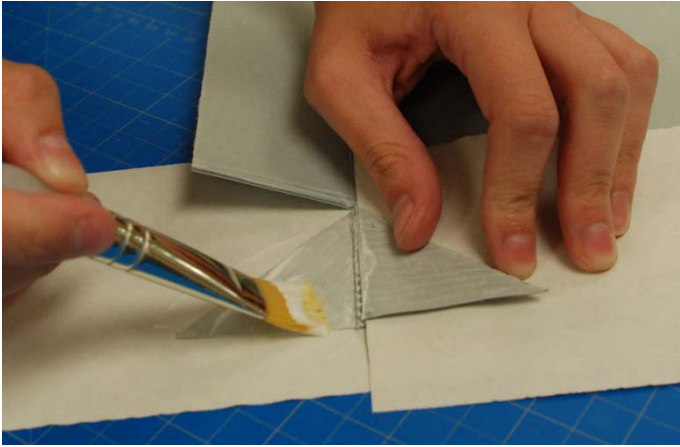


a) Fold back the paper layers

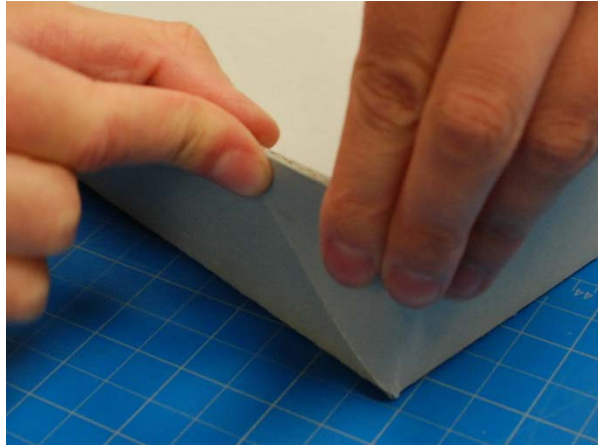


b) Carefully cut away the corrugation without cutting the paper layers

24. Glue the corners.

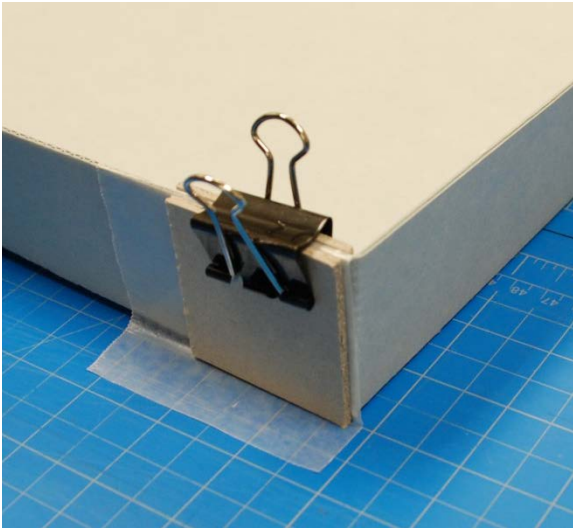


a) Use two pieces of scratch paper to avoid getting glue everywhere



b) Glue the paper corners on either side of the nearest flap

25. Let the corners dry.

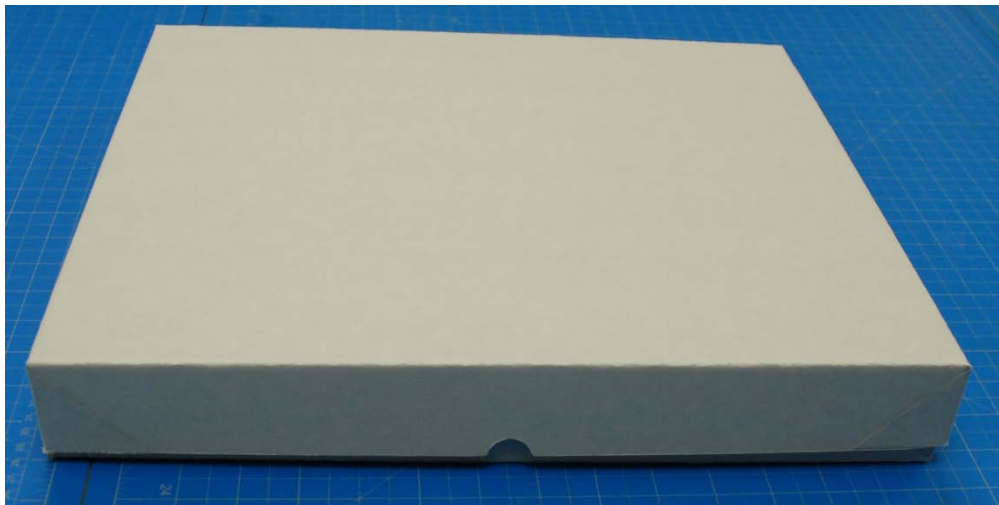


Cover each corner in wax paper, and clamp some boards over them to hold them in place.

26. Remove the clamps and wax paper. Put you book in the box.



The front of the book should be up against Flap A.



When closed, the side of the box with the thumb hole should be on the outside.