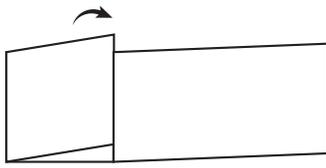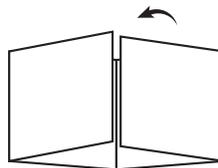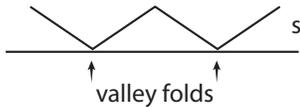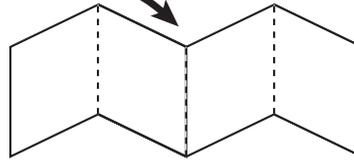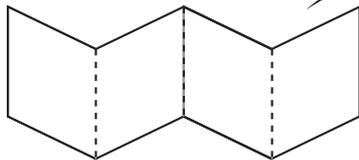Start with a long sheet of paper
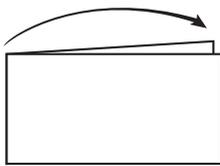
fold in half
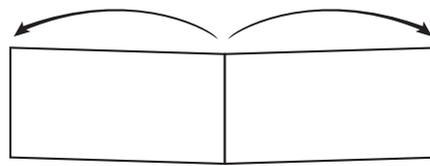
then open up
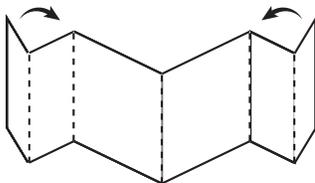
fold each end into middle

flip over

side view

valley folds
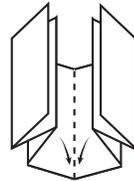
side view
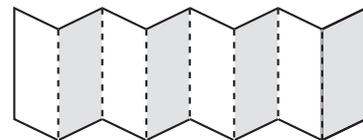
mountain folds

fold each end into first mountain fold

side view

mountain folds

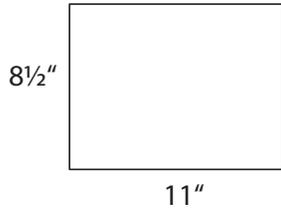fold each mountain fold in to the center mountain fold: crease paper to make a fold in each middle page

open all folds

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art,
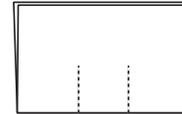books, &
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Pop-Up

For the paper:

One 8½"x11" sheet of paper
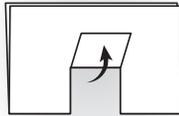
8½"

11"

Fold paper in half widthwise.

Draw two parallel lines that are the same length (2" to 3") towards the folded edge of the paper.

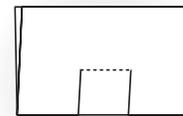Cut along both lines starting at the folded edge.

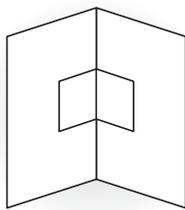Fold the cut flap towards you, and make a straight crease at the fold.

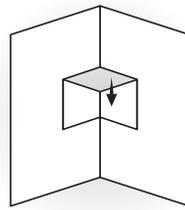Then fold the flap back, away from you, and press the fold again.

Unfold the flap, putting it in its original position.
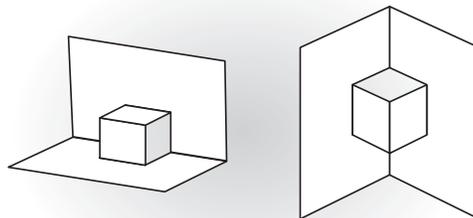
Open the paper like a tent,

and push the flap through to the other side.

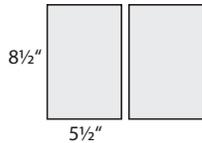Close the paper in half and press the folds.
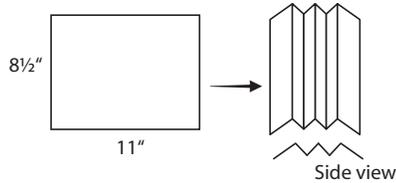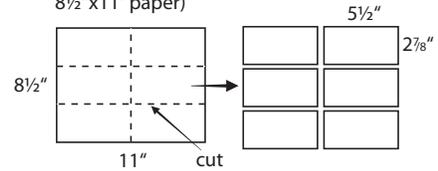
Open; the box pops up!

Flag Book

For the paper:

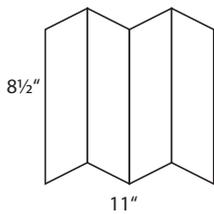For the covers: two sheets of 8½" x 5½" paper (two pieces can be cut from one 8½"x11" paper)

8½"

5½"

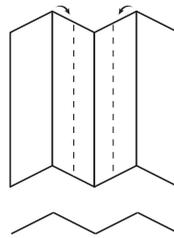For the spine: one sheet of 8½" x 11" paper

8½"

11"

Side view

For the flags: six sheets of 2⅞" x 5½" paper (six pieces can be cut from one 8½"x11" paper)
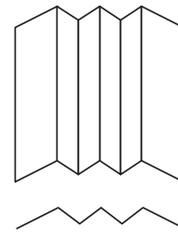
8½"

11"   cut

5½"

2⅞"

To make the spine:

8½"

11"

Begin by folding the 8½" x 11" paper widthwise into a four page accordion.

Place the accordion facing down with the two mountain folds pointing up.

Fold each mountain fold in to the center fold; press down to crease the paper.

For directions on folding, refer to the Accordion Book instructions, completing the first four steps only.
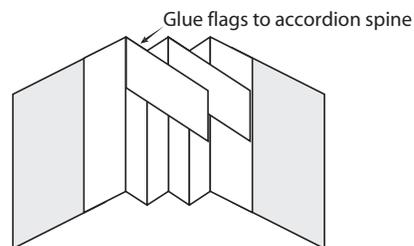
To attach the covers:

Glue the covers to the end flaps of the spine, with the end flaps on the inside of the covers.
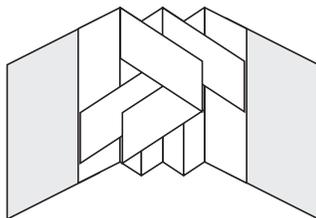
Put glue on end flaps

Inside of back cover

Inside of front cover attached to end flap.
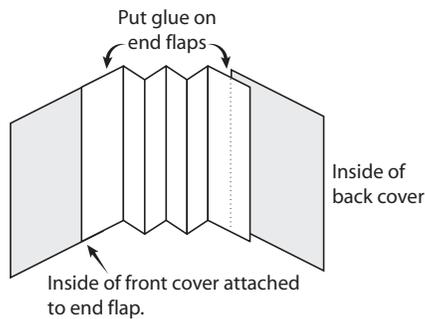
To attach the flags:

Glue the first row of two flags at the top of the spine, one flag on the left side of each fold.

Glue flags to accordion spine

Glue the second row of two flags in the middle of the spine, just below the first row, one flag on the right side of each fold.
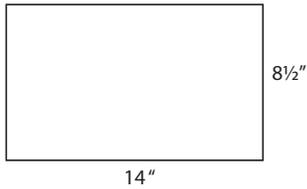
Glue the third row of two flags at the bottom of the spine, just below the second row, one flag on the left side of each fold.
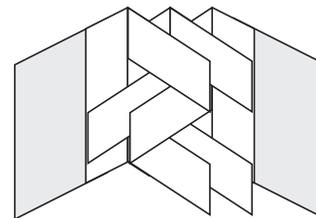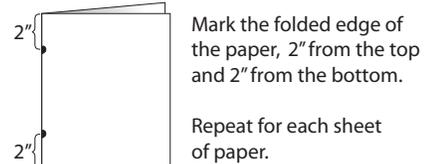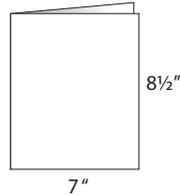
The flags on the top and bottom row will point to the right; the flags in the second row will point to the left.
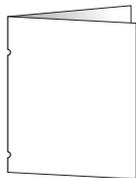
Rubber Band Journal

For the paper:

8½"

14"
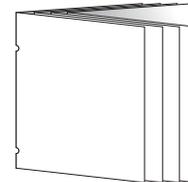
Fold each sheet of
paper in half.

8½"

7"

2"{

2"{

Mark the folded edge of
the paper, 2" from the top
and 2" from the bottom.
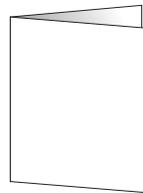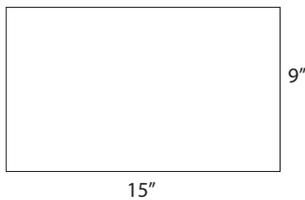
Repeat for each sheet
of paper.

Using the marks as a guide, make two holes
on the folded edge of the paper with a hole
punch, or use scissors to cut two notches
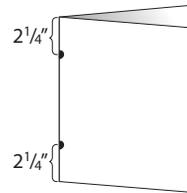out of the folded edge.

Repeat for each sheet of paper.

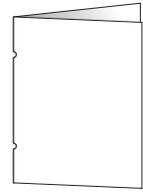Nest papers inside
each other, lining
up the holes.

For the cover:

9"

15"

Fold the cover
paper in half.

2¼"{

2¼"{
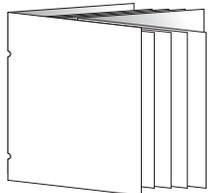
Mark the folded edge of
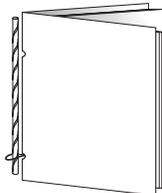the paper, 2¼" from the
top and 2¼" from the
bottom.

Using the marks as a
guide, make two holes
on the folded edge of
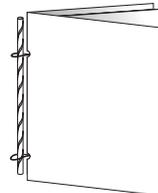the cover with a hole
punch or cut two
notches with scissors.

To assemble the book:

Place the nested paper
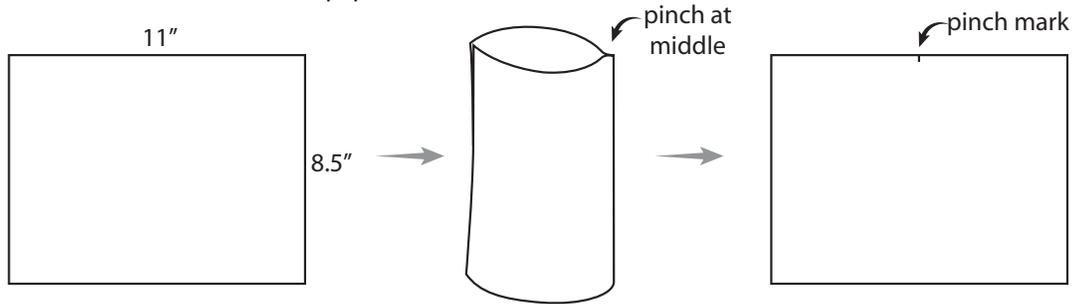inside the cover,
lining up the holes.

Open the book, and thread
a rubber band through the
bottom hole, going from
the inside of the book to
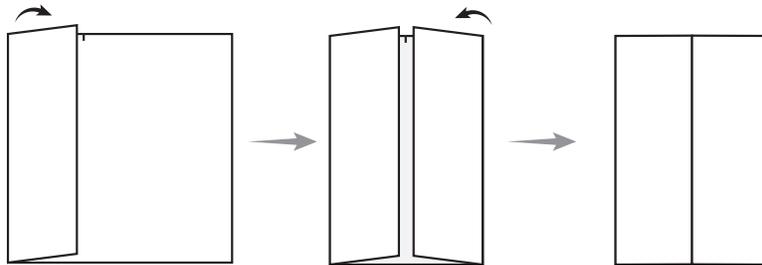the outside. Pull about ½"
of the rubber band through
the hole.

Loop the end of the rubber
band around the end of
the stick

Thread the other end
of the rubber band
through the top hole,
going from inside to
outside, and loop it
around the top of
the stick.

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For the paper:
One 8½"x11" sheet of paper

11"

8.5"

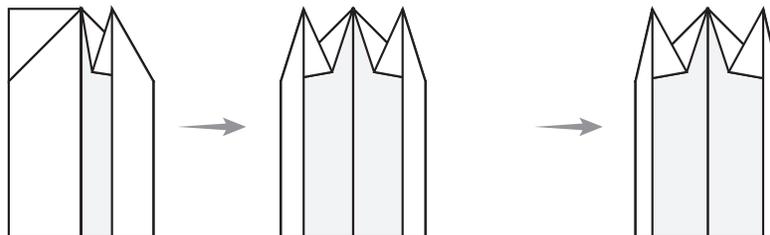pinch at middle

pinch mark

fold both sides to meet in middle

fold corners down to middle
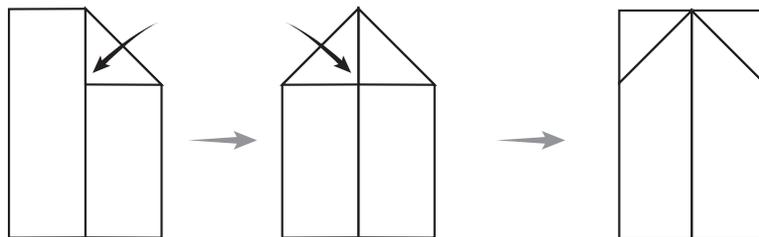
unfold corners
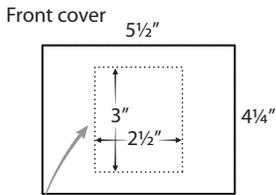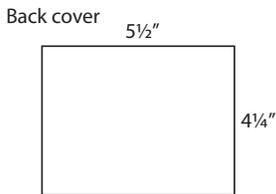
reverse fold and tuck fold in on both sides

Tunnel Book

For the covers:

Cut two sheets of 4¼" x 5½" paper
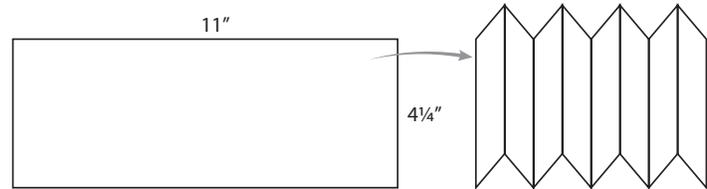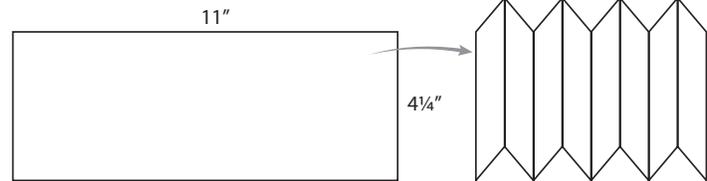
Back cover

5½"

4¼"

Front cover

5½"

3"

2½"

4¼"

Cut a 3" x 2½" rectangle from the center
of the front cover, leaving a 1½" border
on the sides and a ½" border on the
top and bottom.

For the sides:

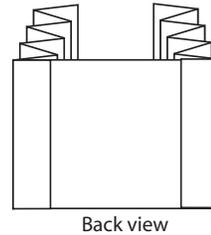Cut two sheets of 4¼" x 11" paper

11"

4¼"

11"

4¼"

Fold each side into an 8-panel accordion.
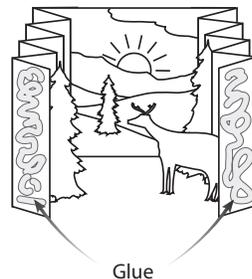For directions on folding, refer to the
Accordion Book instructions.
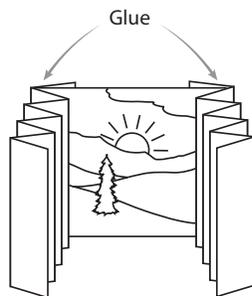
Glue
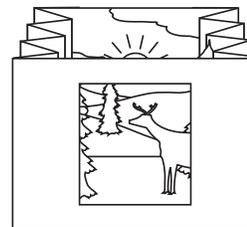
To assemble the book:

Glue the back cover to
the accordion sides.
Attach it to the front
side of the last fold on
each accordion side.

Back view

Glue cut-paper shape to the front
sides of the accordion folds.

Glue

Glue the front cover to
the accordion sides.

Attach it to the outside
of the first fold on
each accordion side.

cut

spread and
glue down

try brads

making
cones

cut and insert

make a cylinder

fold a strip into
a zig-zag

insert tabs into slits,
use glue to hold

use slits

curl paper strips
with a straight edge

make loops and
staple or glue

fold in half

use tabs