

Book 44: A Paper Doll's Festive Holiday Assembly Instructions 1:12 scale



Samples in tutorial photos may look different from yours, however the assembly is the same.

Required tools and supplies:

- X-acto knife and fresh blade. Young hobbieists, please have an adult helper when using a blade tool. Projects can be cut with scissors if you prefer.
- A thin metal straightedge ruler can be used to make perfect fold lines by pressing against edge of the ruler.
- Tweezers are good for holding and pressing glue bonds.
- A cotton swab is also a useful tool for pressing glue bonds.
- Use a good cutting mat. Cardboard used as a substitute cutting mat will ruin your blade and your project will have rough edges.
- The best glue to use is a fast-grab, quick-dry, white craft glue that dries clear. Regular craft glue is too soupy to be of help here.
- An acid-free glue stick comes in handy, but only use when specified.
- A small piece of aluminum foil makes a good disposable glue pot.
- A slender, flat artist's paintbrush is a good tool to use to apply glue. Wash the brush in clear water when not in use. Some prefer to use a toothpick, but a brush will give you much more control.
- Gold tissue paper (or other holiday color)
- Ribbon, preferably 1/8" wide for bag handles, and 1/16" wide for stacked gift boxes.



Little Gift Bags:

1. Create bag shell by glueing side tab then the bottom tabs.
2. Cut 2 lengths of satin ribbon of about 2"-3" for each handle. Gives you length to work with
3. Glue one end at a time and allow to dry before moving to the next end.
4. See the instructions at the end of the tutorial for making tissue stuffing. You will be able to adapt them for this smaller bag.

Gift Wrap Pack:

1. Glue caddy ends creating open box shapes.
2. Wind gift wrap on dowel like bbq skewer or slender knitting needle. Check fit into one of the caddy ends. Gauge fit for four rolls.
3. If it is the right circumference, glue roll's edge into place.
4. Repeat for all 4 rolls.
5. Glue caddy ends onto the 4 rolls.
6. The Santa paper doll paper can be rolled and tied with a ribbon.

Stack Gift Boxes:

1. Cut parts and fold against the straight-edge ruler to create crease lines.
2. Glue circled tab other side to create beginning of a box form. Glue rectangular side pieces in place to close-up the box.
3. Glue triangular tabs in place.
4. Glue boxes on top of each other.
5. Glue gift tags in place.
6. Tie a regular bow, or make a fancy gift bow. See the tutorial on next page.

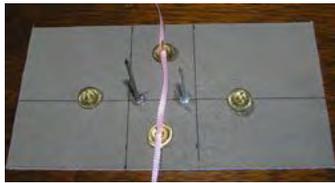


Bow Maker Supplies

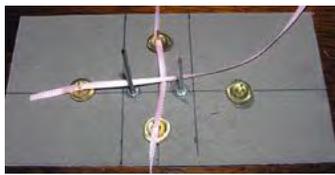
- X-acto knife and fresh blade
- Metal straight-edge ruler
- Cutting mat
- Small piece of mat board or other thick cardboard
- 4 thumb tacks
- 2 nails
- Ribbon (preferably 1/16" wide)



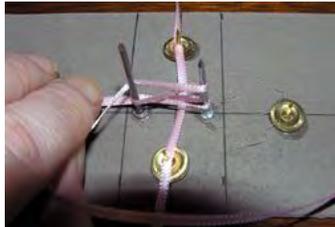
1. Glue the tacks and nails as shown with heavy duty glue. The nails are about 3/4" apart. The nails do not need to be the same length, as you can see from this sample.



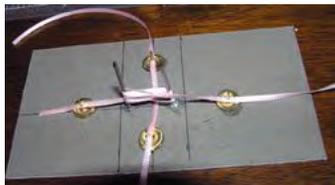
2. Center the first piece of 1/16" ribbon and poke onto tacks as shown. This piece will tie around the middle of the bow to hold it secure. Make your ribbon ends long so that they will wrap around stack.



3. Next take the end of your ribbon spool and poke onto the left tack as shown.



4. Take the ribbon and create a figure "8" pattern on the two nails. Three loops per side is the size this tutorial uses.



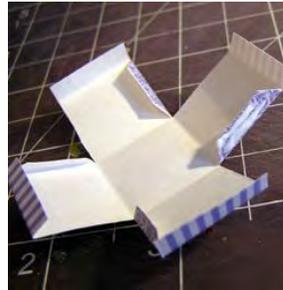
5. When you are done making figure "8s", secure the tail end of the ribbon by poking it on the right side's tack.



6. Next, slip the first ribbon from it's tacks, and tie a tight knot at the center point of the bow. The bow is now complete and you can remove it from the other two tacks. Slide the bow from the nail shafts.



Lidded Gift Box



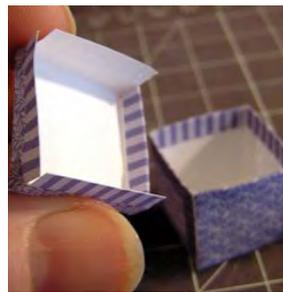
1. Cut out top and bottom of lidded gift box. Use a blade tool to cut items that have tight spots. Use the straight edge ruler to fold against. You'll get much cleaner folds that way.



2. Place glue to 1st side tab of box bottom. Use tweezers to create a tight bond between tab and side panel of box bottom. Repeat for all 4 sides.



3. Fold down the box lip linings. Fold out again and place a layer of glue to blank sides of lip linings. Fold back into place and pinch with tweezers in order to make the box edge even in thickness. The box lid will fit more easily with an even edge.



Vintage paper doll panels are great for staging purposes. Wrapping paper can be re-printed and used for staging as well or for actual wrapping paper.

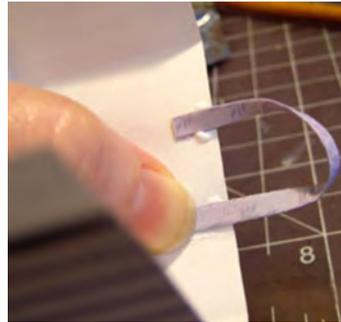


Shopping Bag

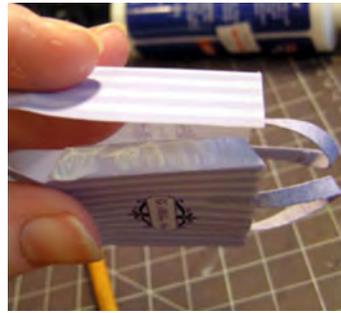


1. Cut out all pieces. Fold handles lengthwise along fold lines--triple thick.
2. Glue the entire length of each handle so that the end result is two long, fully lined handles.

Not shown: After the handles dry, roll handles around shafted tool such as a pen or pencil. This will help you get a natural curve to your handle.



3. Take first handle and glue end to blank inner surface of the bag. See the tick marks on the printed side for handle positioning. Allow to dry after glueing each handle end, it will make this task much easier.



4. Glue the other end of handle when first position has dried. Repeat these steps for other side.



5. Fold bag piece against straight edge to get nice creases. Slather a layer of glue to the long side tab. Use tweezers to press bond between tab and side of bag.

6. Place glue to two small tabs on bottom of bag. Press long non-logo panel to them.

7. Place glue to non-logo side and press logo side to it.



Tissue Bag Stuffer

1. Tissue panel should be approximately 12-18 times the width of the bag and 2.5 times the bag height.



2. Take tissue and fold lengthwise. make one side slightly wider than the other, unlike the photo.



3. Fan-fold length of doubled tissue.



4. Staple base of fan-folded length.



5. Separate folded halves of tissue to create fluff and volume.

6. Place tissue in bag part way.



7. Use a toothpick to gently press down stuffing into the bag, so as not to smash the fluff.



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