

SKETCHBOOK MAKING

STEP 1: COLLECT AND ORGANIZE ALL OF YOUR MATERIALS

Gather the following materials:

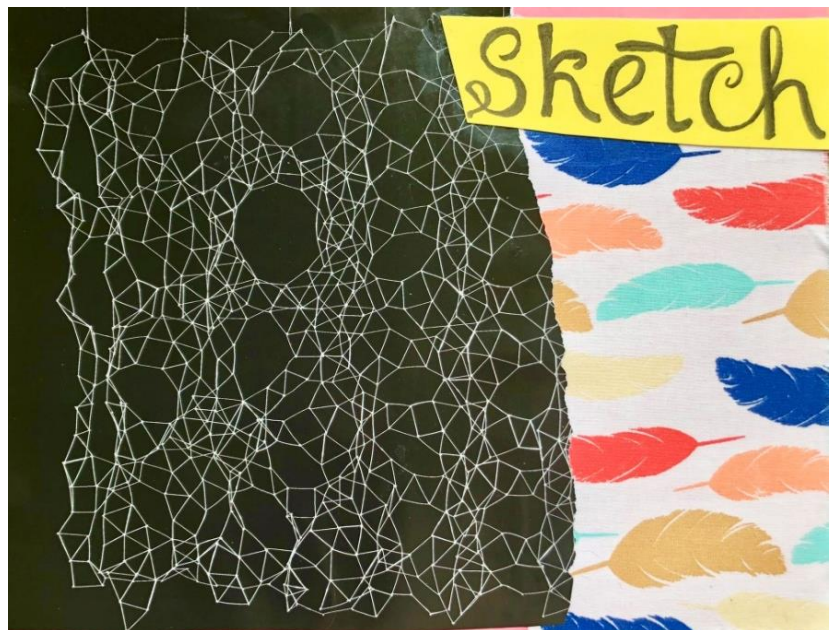


- Coloured cardstock, Bristol paper or any heavy weight paper
- Image ripped out of a magazine
- Scrap fabric
- Glue stick
- Yellow construction paper
- Black marker
- Hole puncher
- String or yarn
- Blank paper (10-15 sheets)

**Feel free to be creative and use anything you find around the house. Be sure to ask your parent or guardian for permission first!*

STEP 2: GLUE YOUR MATERIALS TO THE CARDSTOCK

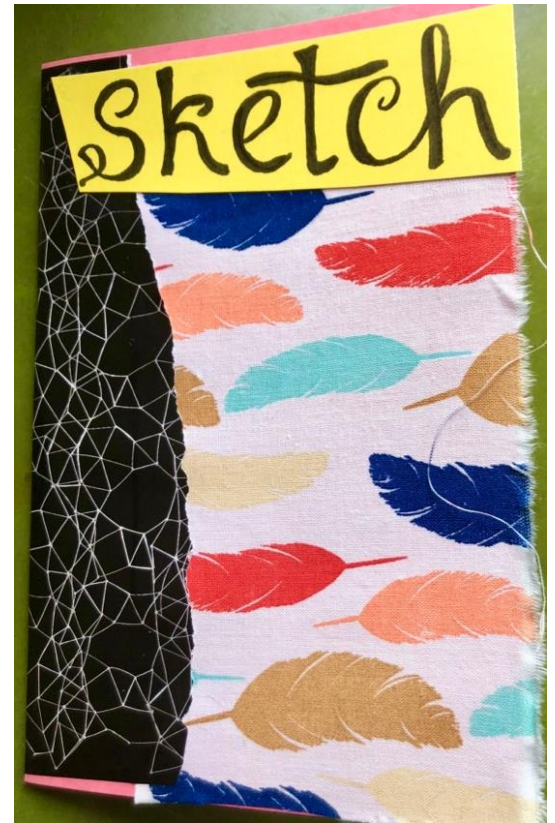
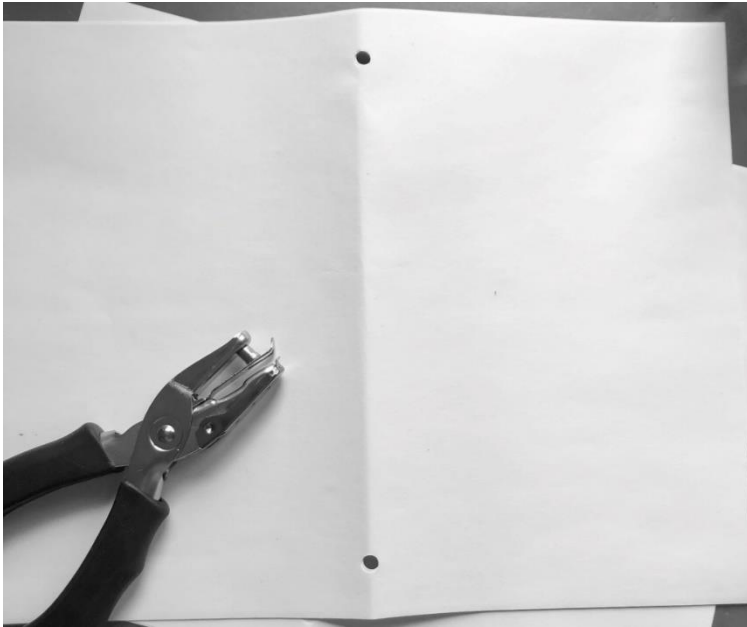
Take your time to lay out your materials before you glue them down—once you fold the cardstock in half, it will become the front and back cover of your sketchbook. Don't forget to add a title if you want!



STEP 3: FOLD AND HOLE PUNCH YOUR BLANK PAPER & COVER

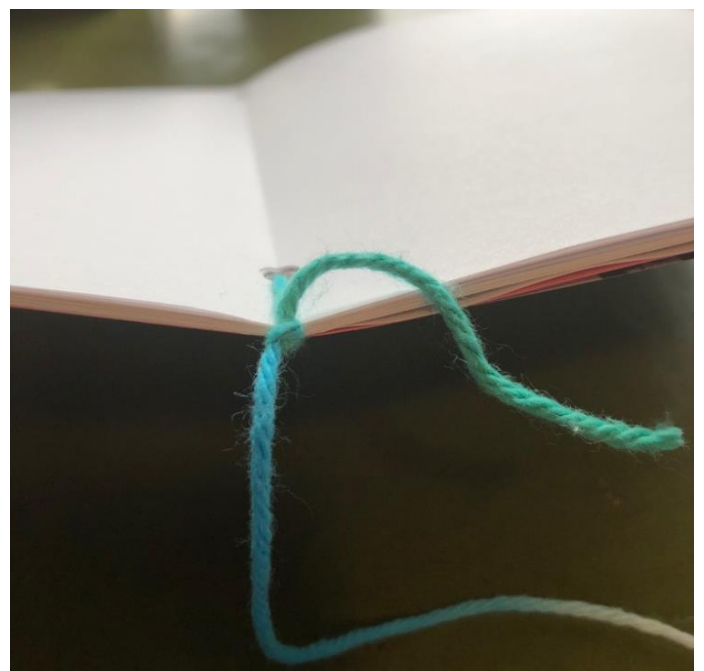
Fold the blank paper right down the middle and hole punch five pieces of paper at one time on both ends.

TIP: push the hole punch as far as it will go on both sides and punch on the folded seam.



STEP 4: TIE EVERYTHING TOGETHER

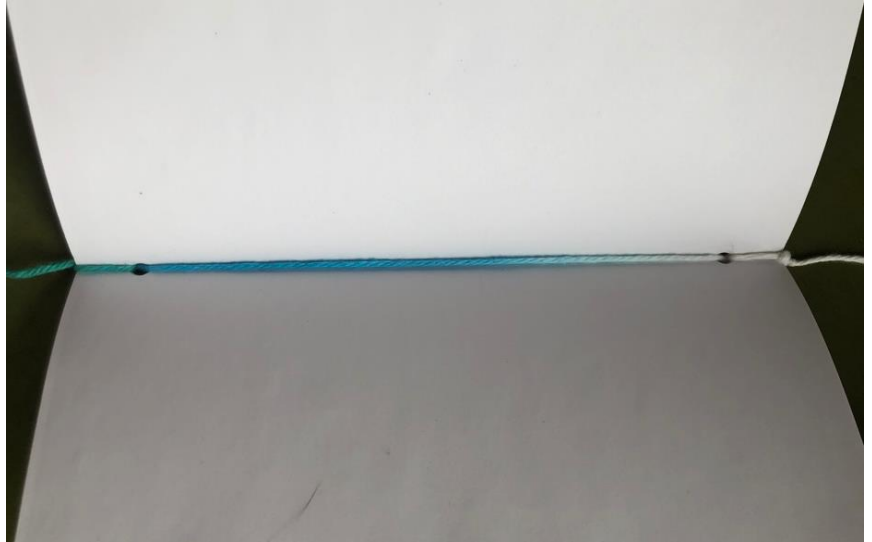
Place all of your blank paper inside the folded cover. Cut a long piece of string and feed one end through one hole and tie a knot—try to make sure it is tight!



STEP 5: CREATE THE SPINE

Once you have completed the first knot at one end, continue to feed the thread through the hole again so that it is inside your book. Continue to pull the string to the next hole, pull it through and wrap it around the end of the book. Finish the spine by tying another tight knot.

TIP: Be sure to leave a bit of extra string on both ends just in case you have to fix your knots.



STEP 6: FILL YOUR BOOK WITH IDEAS!

Congratulations! You have just made your own sketchbook!

Now that your book is complete, try to set aside some time everyday to fill the pages with anything you wish!

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- A drawing of your favorite animal
- A page full of doodles
- An original cartoon
- A drawing of your view from your window
- A drawing of your pet or sibling, or a self-portrait!

Happy sketching!

CHALLENGE YOURSELF: Set a goal to sketch everyday for one hour until your book is completely filled!



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