

My Scrapbook

Congratulations! You now have your very own folding scrapbook that you can decorate to **tell a story all about you!** Preserve and display all kinds of things that you love to save for the memories they hold. Decorate your panels any way that represents who you are, and before you know it your scrapbook will be full of stories about you!

GET READY!

Collect:

Get a shoebox or big envelope and start gathering the things you might want to put in your scrapbook. **Save photos, clippings, doodles, notes from friends, ticket stubs, cool papers, stickers** and any other stuff that you want to hold on to. Also collect things you can use as decoration for your pages in addition to what's included. You can use things like **ribbons, dried flowers, feathers, small beads and rubber stamps** to name a few.

Organize:

It's easiest to organize everything in chronological order, starting with your first adventure and working towards the latest. While you're going through your photos, pick out the good ones and set aside photos that are dark, blurry or less exciting. Since you'll be cutting your **pictures, make sure that you have doubles**, or get color copies, so that you have the originals in case you want to make a change later on.

GET SET!

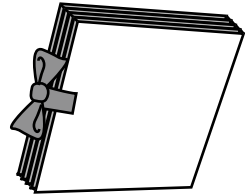
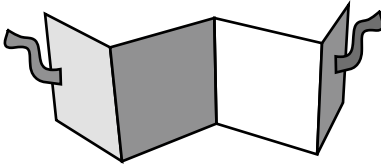
Layout:

When you've picked out a group of great photos, lay them out on a panel to **see how they look together**. Choose one main photo or other item, and crop the other items into smaller shapes to place around the main item. When you've determined the placement of all these items, glue them down to the panel using the glue stick.

Decorate:

Add frames and photo corners to **draw attention to your pictures**. Then decorate the rest of the panels with the picture and alphabet stickers included. Cut up some patterned paper with the craft scissors to make fun borders. You can also **doodle with the glitter glue and gel pen, or add your own decorations** that you've collected. If you're stumped for ideas, you can use the package as a guide.

Use your ribbon to create a cute closure. Now you can tie it up for storage just like a book!



Describe:

Use a headline or title for the panel to tell what it's all about. Give each picture a caption that talks about what's happening so that your whole panel tells a story. The gel pen and alphabet stickers are great for this!

GO!

Share:

Show off your life's story to family and friends. They'll learn more about you and you'll have plenty to talk about and share!

Party:

Invite your friends over for a **scrapbooking party**. While scrapbooking together, you can share ideas and supplies. Chat, tell stories and hang-out!