

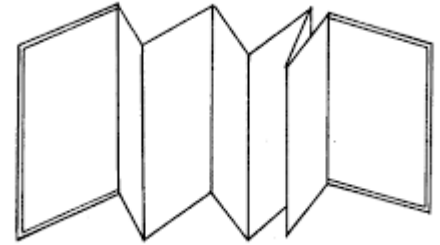
Envelope Accordion Book 6-8

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Lesson

Did you know the average adult receives about 41 lbs. of Junk mail each year! What if you took that Junk mail & made books out of them?

This project can be used in almost every subject matter or it could be the simple idea of making journals with students to take notes in. It saves money, gives the students some investment in the notetaking process & will use less paper because you are reusing pre-existing paper products.



Did you know "Research shows that taking notes by hand is better than taking notes on a laptop for remembering conceptual information over the long term." -<https://www.psychologicalscience.org/news/releases/take-notes-by-hand-for-better-long-term-comprehension.html>

Students could use this book to tell their own story, make a sketchbook, personal journal, dream journal, comic book, or free write. Try & find envelopes to use that have old business logos printed on them. You could also use return envelopes from those bills that ended up being paid online.

Before you start see the last page for websites & videos to reference

Questions For Students

What else could you do with this Accordion Book?

What other ways could you reuse old envelopes?

Why are book important, in any form?

What were books made of before we had paper from trees?

Materials

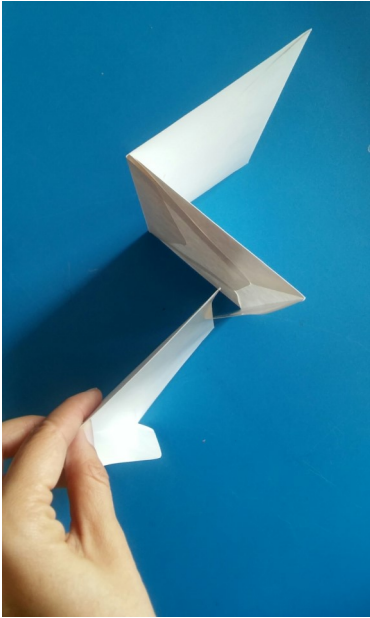
- * Reused envelopes or old address on them
- * Magazines, old books, personal photos
- * Markers or other drawing tools
- * Scissors
- * Glue & tape
- * Optional-fabric scraps, paint, stickers



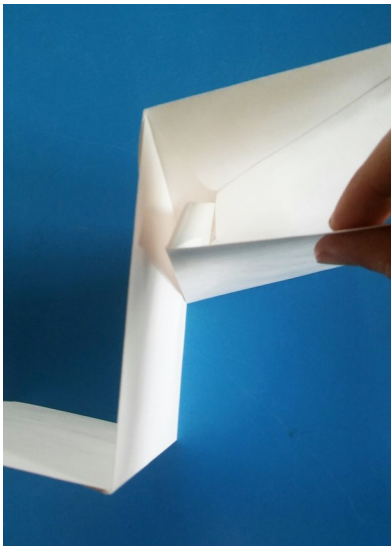
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Instructions



1. Decided how many folds or pages you would like, each envelope is like one page with a front and back.
2. Lay out envelopes so that the adhesive flap is on the bottom of the next envelope, so that when all attached they should make a zig-zag that folds in on it self. You may have it be as long as you would like.
3. If adhesive on envelopes is still good lick or moisten with a damp sponge, if envelopes are old or being reused apply glue to the flap.
4. You can also add additional pages in each fold, adhering the adhesive flap into the opening of the other envelope.
5. The openings in the envelopes could be used as pockets to store important things.
6. For a more creative use have students cut images out of magazines, use scraps of decorative paper and fabric and collage the pages. They could be focusing on a subject matter you are studying.
7. What happens next is up to you! Check out the page of extra source material for some more ideas on the history of books and where this book could go!



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Other Learning Resources

Videos About History of Books

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_YqYtdPUis4

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PIF6_DtRuic

Videos About Importance of Reading

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xqMozc4K4pg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WDW87rZQM0g>

Websites About Sketchbook/ Journal/Dream Journal Ideas

<https://www.sketchbookproject.com/>

<https://mymodernmet.com/art-sketchbooks-vol-1/>

<http://emcarroll.com/comics/dreams/dreams.html>

<https://dreamstudies.org/2009/07/30/how-to-keep-a-dream-journal/>

Video Link for Visual Note Taking:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gY9KdRfNN9w&feature=youtu.be>

