Pattern Play

Crafter level: Easy

Time needed: 30 minutes

"What you'll need

- Empty box (we used a square papier-mâché box with lid)
- Paint or gift wrap and tape (optional)
- Printouts of pattern play templates on card stock (for best results)
- Scissors or craft knife
- White glue or mounting tape

How to make it

- 1. Paint or wrap your box lid and box bottom, separately.
- 2. Cut out favorite patterns from the printouts to decorate the box.
- 3. For 3D effect, use mounting tape to attach your decorations to the box.
- 4. For a stand-up decoration, cut a small slit into the top of the box and insert the tip of your decoration. Add a dab of glue to hold it in place.
- 5. To receive valentines, you can simply open the box. Or, cut an opening for the valentines at the top of the box (optional).

Tip: To make a nice rectangular opening, cut a wide "X" shape, and then fold the points to the inside of the box and tape or glue down (see Diagram 1).



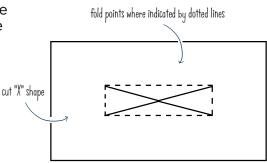


Diagram 1



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