

## Mini Accordion Book

**Make a mini story book!** Use this simple bookmaking technique to create and illustrate your very own story.

### MATERIALS

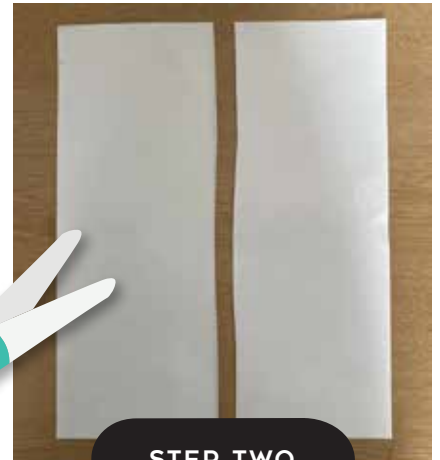
- Paper
- Drawing Materials
- Scissors



### STEP ONE

Think of a story! On a separate sheet of paper, jot down your ideas for a story. Is it an adventure? A memory? A funny dream you once had? Who are the characters?

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### STEP TWO

Use scissors to cut a sheet of paper in half lengthwise (hot dog style)



### STEP THREE

**Make an accordion fold:** Fold one strip in half, then pull the top half back so the edge of the paper matches the fold. Press and fold, then flip strip over to repeat the step.

**Next, write your story** on the back of your story book.

**TIP:** For an extra long story book, repeat the accordion fold with the other half of your paper and attach it to the end with tape.



### STEP FOUR

**Illustrate your story!** Each box made by your folds can be one part of your story, or use the whole strip for one drawing.

**Share your creation** with a friend and watch your story unfold!