

Instructions for Making a Simple “Cross” Book

- Cut 1 sheet of 8 ½” x 11” cardstock in half, lengthwise (“hot dog” style)
- Place one half piece so that it is tall (vertical) in front of you
- Place the second piece on top horizontally to form a large plus or “cross”
- All 4 sides should be approximately the same width (3 3/8”)
- Take the bottom of the vertical paper & fold it up over the horizontal paper.
- Fold the right side of the vertical paper over the horizontal paper.
- Repeat with the left side of the horizontal paper, folding it over the other 2 pieces.
- Fold down the top of the vertical paper over the other 3 pieces.
- Take the folded book apart. Put glue on the center of the tall vertical half.
- Center the horizontal half on top of the vertical one, so that the overall shape resembles a “plus” or “cross” sign, with each protruding side approximately equal.
- Press down the center of the “cross” to help the glue adhere.
- Fold up the sides to form a book.
- The title of the book can be placed at the top of the “cross”, with illustrations, images, symbols, and text arranged on the other sides of the book.
- Punch a hole in the center of the top flap of the book and add a loop of yarn, if desired.

