

Ingredients (Included):

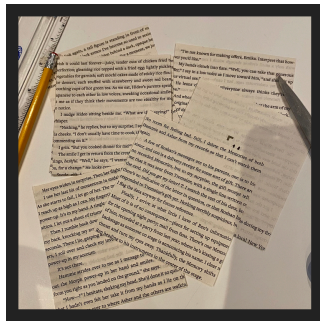
- 18 book pages from discarded books
- 1 watercolor set
- 1 container glue

You Supply:

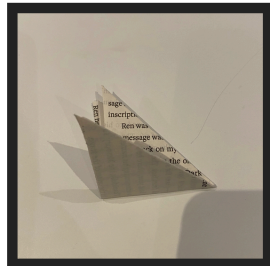
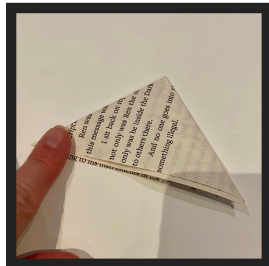
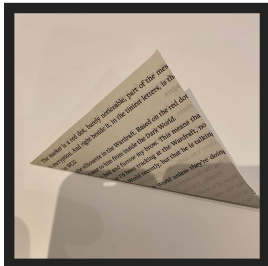
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Scissors

For each rose, you'll need three squares of paper. You have enough to make six roses, and you can color them however you like (or not color them at all).

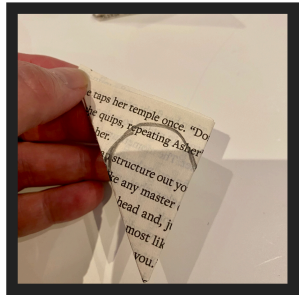
Step One: Cut 4 inch squares from each of your book pages, using the ruler and pencil to measure. To make this easier, you can cut one 4 inch square and use it as a template for the others, or you can draw one 4 inch square on one piece of paper and cut them all at once.



Step Two: Start with your first 3 squares to make one rose. Take each square and fold in half diagonally. Then fold in half two more times, for a total of three times.



Step Three: Once you are done folding three, hold your triangle closed and draw a curved shape on the opposite corner (the bottom should be the pointed end that holds all the sections of paper together).

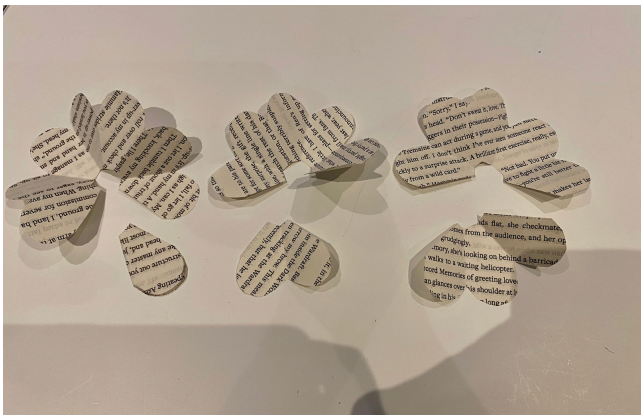


Step Four: Cut out the curved shapes and then cut off the point at the bottom (again, where all the pages meet).

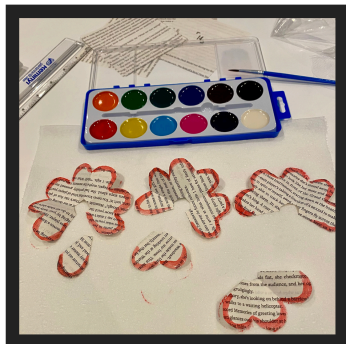


This will create a hole when you unfold.

Step Five: Open up each set of petals in turn. Cut one petal out of the first set of petals. Cut two petals out of the second set, and cut three petals out of the third set.

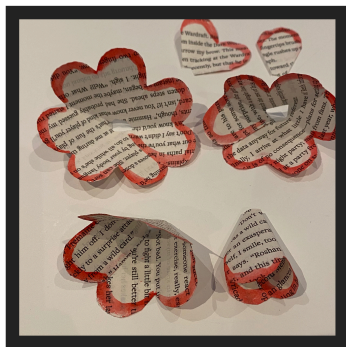


Step Six: You should now have six sets of petals of varying size, from 1 to 7 petals. If you want to add color, this is the best time to do so. Using the watercolors, paint the tips of each petal. Use water sparingly, since the paper is thin and you don't want it to get too wet.

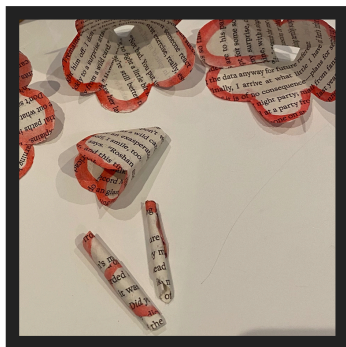


Make sure to paint both the front and back and let dry!

Step Seven: Next put your one and two petal pieces to the side. For each of the others, put some glue along one of the edges you cut and glue the petal opposite to it on. This forms four rings of 3D petals.



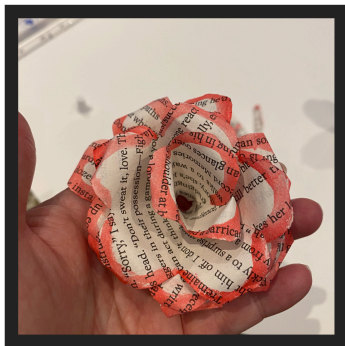
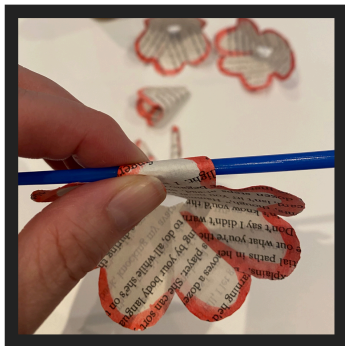
Step Eight: Take your one and two petal pieces now and roll those up. Use glue to stick them closed. They'll be the middle of your rose. Let all the glue dry.



Step Nine: Once the glue is dry you can use the paintbrush to curl your petals so they look more like real roses. Do this for all of your petals except for the two you rolled up.

Step Ten: Take your largest ring of petals and put glue to the inside at the bottom. Place the next ring of petals onto the glue. Repeat for the next two sets. Let the glue dry.

Step Eleven: You still have a hole in the middle of your rose. That's where the two rolled pieces are going to go. Glue the smaller one inside the larger one, and glue them inside the flower you have already made. You can push it a little through the hole to poke out a little the other side. This will hold all the layers together while the glue dries.



Step Twelve: Repeat these steps five more times, making six roses!

I liked how these looked without stems. I put them in a pretty bowl. You can also add pipe cleaner stems or wire stems wrapped in green garden tape, and tape or glue them to the bottom of your flower. (This image uses masking tape which also works.) You can also string them into a wreath or glue them to a present as decoration.



Enjoy your flowers!



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