

**b15016~ Books for the Christmas Holidays
The Tall Book of Christmas, The Night Before
Christmas, & A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens**



Required tools and supplies:

- X-acto knife and fresh blade
- A thin metal straight-edge ruler. Make fold lines by pressing against edge of the ruler.
- Tweezers, detailing scissors
- Good cutting mat (cardboard will ruin your blades)
- Fast-grab, quick-dry white craft glue that dries clear
- A glue stick
- Small piece of aluminum foil to use as a glue pot
- Slender artist's paint brush to apply glue
- Several small office binder clips



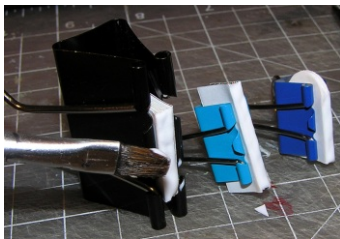
1. Cut out the page strips. Fan fold all page strips taking care that the raw edges line up perfectly. There are little tab panels at one end of four panels.

2. For the "Christmas Carol" book glue the little connecting panels to the back of the respective partner. You will end up with a long accordion strip.



3. Next, carefully add a layer of glue stick to the back side of the strip. You may wish to do a just a few pages at a time in conjunction with the next step. **DO NOT SPREAD GLUE TO BACKS OF END BOARDS!**

4. One-by-one, press the blank sides of the pages together. Be careful to align the raw edges of the pages as perfectly as possible.



5. Compress the stack of pages and pinch pages with the office clips leaving the spine side exposed. You may want to put a little cardboard under the clips in order to avoid denting the stack. Use the artist's brush to paint a thick even coat of glue to the length of the pages along the spine. Set aside to dry thoroughly.

6. Cut out the cover pieces using a blade tool and detailing scissors. Cut the spines notches on the Christmas Carol cover.



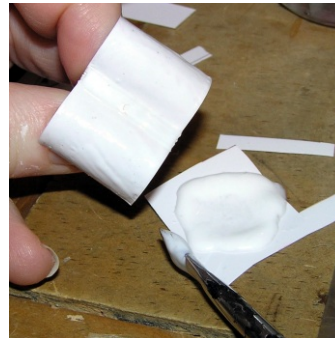
8. Fold covers as shown. Try to make the diagonals match perfectly before glueing. Use the edge of the ruler to fold at crease positions.



9. Glue down the edging tabs as shown here.



10. Take one of the stack of pages and check the placement of the "end boards" onto the respective cover to ensure that the fit is good.



11. Paint glue to the blank side of the "end boards" and the spine. Use plenty of glue so it stays wet long enough for you to position the pages before a sticking bond occurs.



12. Position the unit carefully on the inside of the book cover. Flatten out edges.



13. (This is another book, but the instructions are the same). To accurately position the dust jacket, firmly hold the printed spine area of the dust jacket right over the spine area of the book. Slip the front flap inside the cover and then crease along the book's edge. Repeat for the back flap.

