

## bookb3: 77 Faux Vintage Reading Books to Fill Bookcases



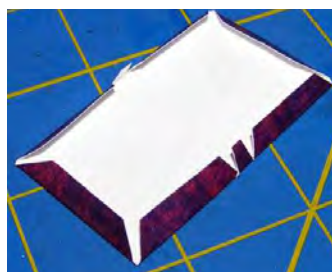
### Required tools and supplies:

- 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
- 1-2 small office clip
- Fast-grab, quick-dry white craft glue that dries clear
- An acid-free glue stick
- Small piece of aluminum foil to use as a glue pot
- Slender artist's paint brush to apply glue

**Note:** Before you cut out the pages and covers, turn over the printouts and use a pencil to write the respective book number on the back. See the photo below.

1. These instructions use photos for another book, but the construction is identical as the book included in your kit. Cut out the page strips. Fan fold all page strips taking care that the raw edges line up perfectly.

2. Next, carefully add a layer of glue to the back side of the strip ensuring the edges are covered. You may wish to do a little at a time in conjunction with the next step. **DO NOT** Paint the end boards!



3. 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.

4. Move now to the book's cover and fold the perimeter tabs. Try to create the folds exactly along the fold lines. Use the metal straight-edge ruler to press a clean straight crease.

5. Paint glue to the tabs and press down.

6. After glue has completely dried, use the straight-edge ruler and press creases along both edges of the spine area.

7. Take the bundle of pages and make sure that they will fit squarely into the book cover. Then paint glue to the back sides of the end boards and spine area. Use plenty of glue so that it does not dry immediately, for you want to have time to position the pages into the book cover.

8. Carefully place the pages inside the book's cover and smooth the bond.

