

Make A Hollow Book

You can take an old, thick hardbound book **no one needs anymore** and turn it into a cool hiding place for your things or for stuff you want to keep secret. Here's how:



STEP 1 : GLUE THE book's sides

Choose the first few pages of the book and cover them with plastic food wrap so they don't get messed up in glue. These are the pages that won't be cut up.

Fill half a jar with white glue and the other half with water. Mix them together.

Hold together the pages after the ones you covered in plastic wrap and brush the outside edges with the glue solution using a paint brush.

Let the book dry for 15-30 minutes. Keep the sheet of food wrap between the glued and unglued pages. Put something heavy on the book to flatten it.



STEP 2 : DRAW CUTTING LINES

Open the book to the first glued page. Draw a half-inch border within the edge on all four sides with a pencil and ruler.



STEP 3 : CUT OUT THE HOLE

ASK AN ADULT FOR HELP WITH THIS STEP.

Have an adult help you cut along the inside of the drawn line using a box cutter or straight edge knife and a ruler. Continue cutting the layers until you can remove the inner part of these pages.



STEP 4 : GLUE THE INNER SIDES OF THE PAGES

Now brush the glue solution onto the inside edges of the hole. Don't worry if the glue drips a bit since the glue will dry clear.

Close the book again and again let it dry for 15-30 minutes.



STEP 5 : THE FINISHED HOLLOW BOOK!

Check to make sure every part of the book is dry. Touch it with your finger to make sure it is totally dry. Now you can fill it with your treasured belongings and secret items!

You can even put it in a bookshelf between real books so no one will suspect the book is a fake. But don't forget which book is the fake one!