



Video Outline:

Title of Lesson: Map Accordion Books, Grades: 2-8

Video Time: 23 min 53 sec

Video link: <https://youtu.be/gLI8kacnnvE>

Intro to video: Book Arts Summer School - Day 1! I'm so excited to teach you about Book Arts this summer! The first book we'll make is an accordion book - a book that opens and closes like an accordion. It's one long piece of paper and can be about many things. This style of book has been made all over the world for a long time. The oldest known example is from China in the Tang Dynasty from around 900 AD, and in Japan this style was developed around 700 AD and called Orihon. The Mayan people also made folded books, like accordion books, around 1200 AD, called codices about astrology and astronomy. I'll show you one! Artists all over the world use this form of book art today. We're going to figure out how to make your accordion book into a map about your life - and the places that are important to you!

Supplies:

- Paper (big construction paper and regular sized construction paper)
- Glue Sticks
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Colored Pencils.
- (Please remember to save a cereal or cracker box and a piece of string at home, for projects later in the class.)

Steps:

1. Fold a big piece of white paper in half longways (hotdog style), then cut down the middle. This will give you two long pieces of paper! Save one for another day. (5 min 20 sec)
2. Fold this long piece of paper once in the middle. (7 min 30 sec)
3. Next fold those two halves in half backwards... one at a time. You will have 4 pages that look like an M or W. Close your book and set it aside so you know where to glue the covers on. (7 min 50 sec)
4. Choose your cover paper... use any color of construction paper that you have.
5. Fold this construction paper in half and cut along the middle fold. Set one aside for another day. (8 min 45 sec)
6. Fold one piece of this construction paper in half and cut along the fold - you have evenly sized covers! (9 min 45 sec)
7. Use a glue stick to attach the covers carefully to the outside of the book. When your book is closed you're all set up to glue the covers on. (11 min 20 sec)
8. You will have a long space in the middle of your book, between the covers. Think about each of the 4 pages that make up the middle of your book. How will you make a map about stuff you like here? (14 min 18 sec)
9. Draw a map of places that are important to you. I'm including lots of ideas in the video - but this is totally up to you. It could be an indoor or outdoor space, a state or country, how you get from one place to another... you have lots of options. (17 min 42 sec)
10. Keep working until you're happy with your book. I'll show you lots of examples by other people and some maps of cool places nearby as well.

Learn more about Mayan Codices:

<http://www.famsi.org/mayawriting/codices/dresden.html>

<http://www.library.arizona.edu/exhibits/mexcodex/maya.htm>.