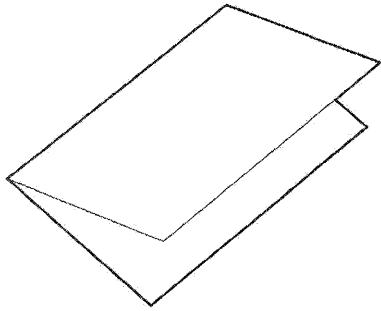


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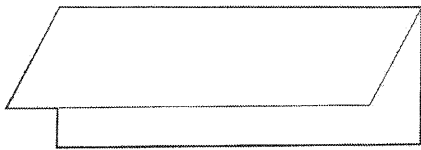
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Foldables study organizers are 3-dimensional, interactive graphic organizers that can help your students to organize, remember, review, and learn many kinds of information. They encourage students to use their creativity in a kinesthetic learning environment while reinforcing important thinking and communication skills. Listed below are a few basic Foldables instructions. On the other side you'll find some of the most versatile Foldables designs.



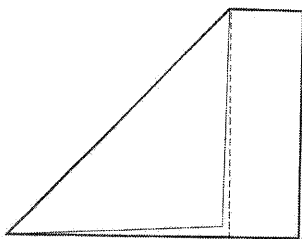
Hamburger Fold

Fold a rectangular sheet of paper in half along the long side.



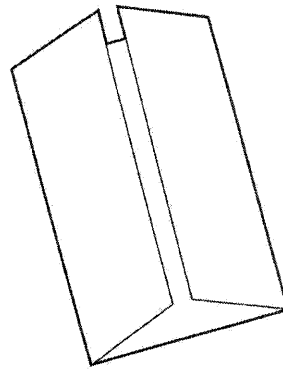
Hot Dog Fold

Fold a rectangular sheet of paper in half along the short side.



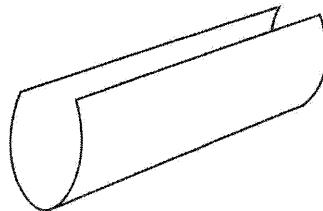
Taco Fold

Fold the corner of a sheet of paper over to create a triangle. Trim any excess.



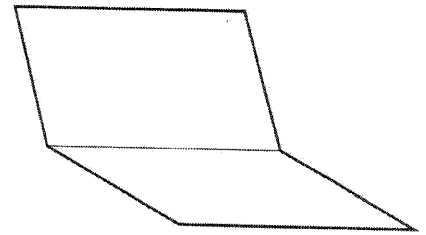
Shutter Fold

Find the midpoint on a piece of paper, then fold each side in to meet that point.



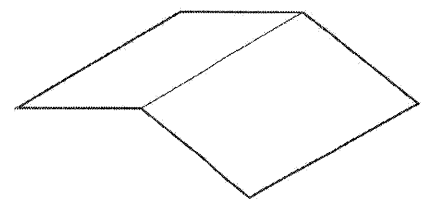
Burrito Fold

A burrito fold rolls the page up without creating a crease in the paper.



Valley Fold

A valley fold has sides that rise up from the center fold.



Mountain Fold

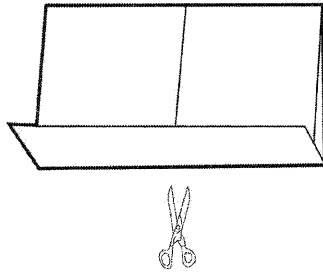
A mountain fold has sides that slope down from the center fold.

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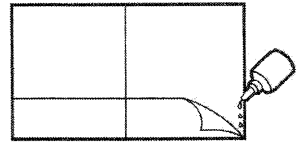
Matchbook

Fold a sheet of paper in half like a hamburger but leave one side one inch longer than the other. Fold that one-inch tab up over the short side to create an envelope-like fold. Cut in half or in thirds (depending on the paper size) to create multiple Matchbooks.



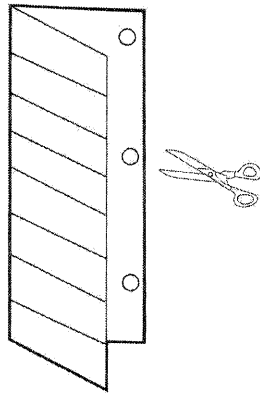
Pocket Book

Fold a large sheet of paper in half like a hamburger. Open it up, then fold one of the long sides up to form a tab of about two inches. Refold so that the newly formed pockets are on the inside. Use glue or staples to secure the outer edges. Students can place index cards or quarter-sheets of paper inside the labeled pockets.



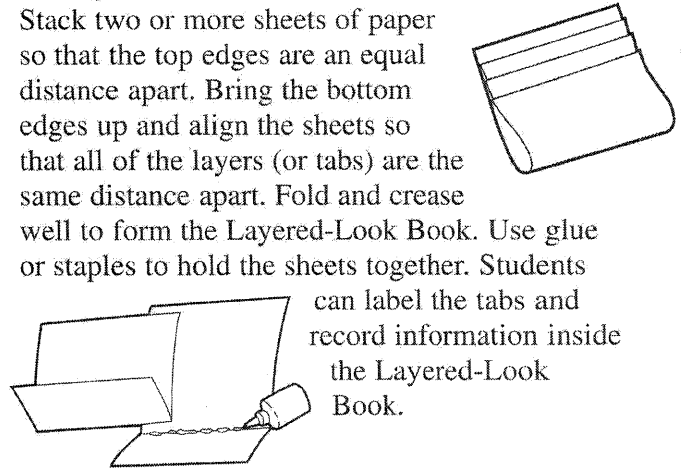
Vocabulary Book

Fold a sheet of notebook paper in half like a hot dog. On one side, cut every third line to create tabs. You can adjust the number of lines depending on the paper and the desired size of the tabs. Label the tabs with vocabulary words and write the definitions underneath.



Layered-Look Book

Stack two or more sheets of paper so that the top edges are an equal distance apart. Bring the bottom edges up and align the sheets so that all of the layers (or tabs) are the same distance apart. Fold and crease well to form the Layered-Look Book. Use glue or staples to hold the sheets together. Students can label the tabs and record information inside the Layered-Look Book.



Folded Table or Chart

Fold a sheet of paper in half (for two columns), then in half again (for four columns). Do the same in the other direction for the desired number of rows, or simply make one fold along the top for column headings.

