

# Manual

Step by step guide  
to create your own  
folded book art



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## Materials and supplies

Pencil  
Metric ruler  
Suitable hardback book  
Folding tool (available on [foldedbookart.com](http://foldedbookart.com))  
Scissors



## Step 1

Place the book in front of you like you would if you're reading it.

After that turn it counter-clockwise like in the image.



## Step 2

We need our pattern to be folded in the middle of the book. To do this, we need to do a little math. You can also use the calculator from our website, you can download this on the same page where you downloaded the pattern and this manual.

To calculate the starting page of the pattern by yourself, you need to do the following:

Take the last even page number from your book and divide this by 2, you now have the number of paper sheets in your book.

Subtract the number of sheets to be folded from this number, you can find this number in the pattern.

You now have the starting page for the pattern in your book. If the number you have is even, please add 1 to it, because the starting page has to be an odd number.

**Example:** The last page number in my book is 502. Divide this by 2.  $502 / 2 = 251$ .  
The pattern I have needs 200 sheets.  $251 - 200 = 51$ . So my starting page number is 51.

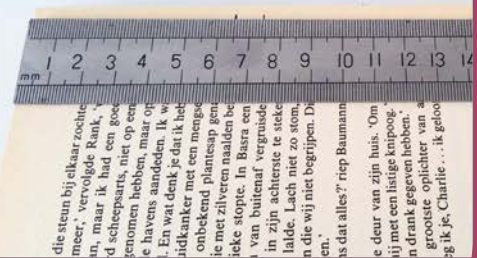
## Step 3

Open the book on the page that you just calculated as your starting page.

Take your ruler and line the zero up with the top left side of the page, leave a little room to mark the side of the page.

Start with the first fold in the pattern. The first one is the number in the 'Start' column. Place the first mark on the page. Don't move the ruler after this, now place the second mark on the same page.

Continue marking the pages until you reach the end of the pattern.



## Step 4

After completing all the markings, it's time to start folding the pages.

Turn the book towards you (see image). Simply fold each page exactly on the marks you made. Try to keep the folds in an angle of 90 degrees, if this isn't possible, fold as closely to this as possible.

Use a folding tool to create sharper creases and to save your fingers. Sharper folds give a better result.

Not all folds fit the page exactly. Sometimes a section of the page you're folding comes across the spine of the book. If this happens, simply cut the paper that is crossing the spine.

Fold all the pages that you marked to finish your own folded book art.

