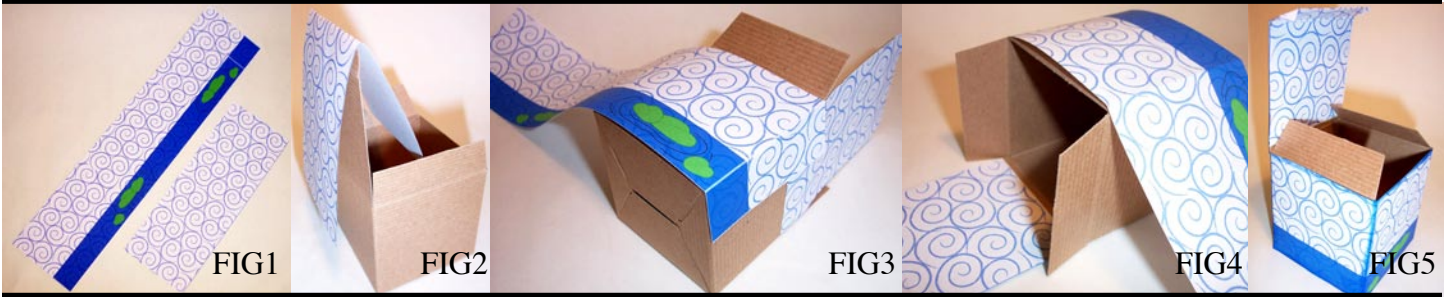


Greeting Poem Gift Box

Supplies:

color photo quality printer
Adobe® Acrobat Reader
matte coated cardstock paper
11x17 white paper
3x3 cube box
small scissors (or craft knife and mat)
assorted paper punches
assorted scrap cardstock paper
ink, glue, glitter, foam tape, jewels
and other embellishments



Directions:

1. Print FrogMr2.pdf on cardstock paper, cut out & fold the largest frog Card-i-gami™ and any additional designs desired
2. Print 11x17BlueLPBG.pdf on 11x17 paper, then cut out and trim away white edges leaving 2-3x13.5 strips
3. (FIG1) Print 11x17BlueTop.pdf on 11x17 paper, then cut out and trim away white edges leaving 4-3x8 strips
4. (FIG2) Fold and crease the 3x8 strip over the box top lip for alignment. After crease is set, apply a small amount of glue around the edge of the box top and lip. Attach paper, then finish gluing the paper to the box, including under the box top/lid
5. (FIG3-4) On one end of the 3x13.5 strip, you will see a faint white line. Fold on the line and match up to a box corner. Make sure you have line up where you want the bottom design before applying glue. Glue and place one side at a time.
6. (FIG5) Ink edges of box and any additional designs.
7. Finish embellishing as desired.

Optimistic Frog

Two frogs fell into a large cream bowl.
One was an optimistic soul,
But the other took the gloomy view,
“We shall drown” he cried, without more ado.
So with a last despairing cry
He flung up his legs and said “Goodbye.”
Said the other frog with a merry grin,
“I can’t get out, but I won’t give in.
I’ll just swim around till my strength is spent
And should I drown I’ll be more content.”
Bravely he swam till it would seem
His struggles began to churn the cream.
On top of the butter at last he stopped,
And out of the bowl he gaily hopped.
What is the moral? ‘Tis easily found:
If you can’t hop out, keep swimming round!

—Author Unknown

Tips:

If you plan on doing this project with children, the glitter should be applied last.
Make creases in the paper around the box prior to applying glue. This is done by tightly folding the paper around the box and pinching each corner edge.
Water lilies are made by gluing two paper punched flowers together then folded in half.



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