HOW TO MAKE A ZINE!

MATERIALS: Paper
Scissors
Pencils, pens, paint, stickers etc.

1. Fold and crease your paper in half the long way (“hot dog” style). Unfold the paper flat again.

2. Fold and crease your paper in half the short way (“hamburger” style). Unfold the paper flat again.

3. Fold and crease the two short edges to the center of the paper. (HINT: These creases should be in the opposite direction as the first two creases!) Unfold the paper flat again.

4. Fold the paper again in half again along the fold from Step #2. Carefully cut halfway across the folded paper (to the crease). Unfold the paper flat again.

5. Fold the paper in half again along the fold from Step #1. Holding the two folded ends in each hand, carefully push the two creases toward the center. You should see a “window” open & then close where you made your cut. Fold the paper in half again and crease so that the cover is facing up. You should now have a small booklet that is 1/8 the size of your original paper.

6. Now you are ready to decorate & create the content of your zine! You can fill out the pages folded as a booklet, or unfold the paper flat and fill out the pages in the order and direction shown above. When you are finished, use Step #5 to re-fold your zine!

Share your completed zines with
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MAKE ZINES! MAKE HISTORY!

Help us capture a snapshot of what life was like in Redwood City during the COVID-19 pandemic. Create as many zines as you would like, then email them to rcplmemory@redwoodcity.org, or drop them off when the library re-opens.

Collected responses will be archived in the Local History Archive Room.

For more information, please contact rcplmemory@redwoodcity.org

ZINE PAGE PROMPTS...

Today I am feeling…

These are some of the things I do during a typical day…

Something that has surprised me the most about this experience is…

One of the biggest challenges so far has been…

Someone who has helped me a lot during this time is…

I’m looking forward to…

One thing I would want to tell my grandchildren about this experience is…