

Book Pumpkin

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Materials in Kit

- Paperback book
- Scrap paper
- Craft glue
- Foam brush
- Orange acrylic paint
- Newspaper for work surface

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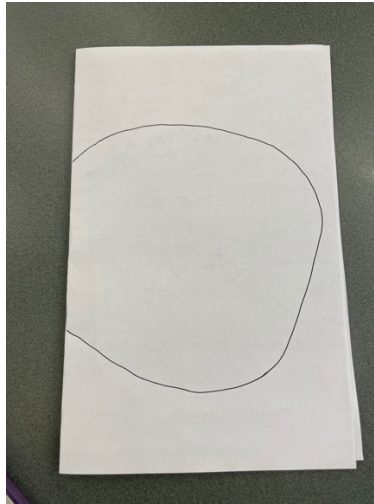
- Scissor
- Writing utensil

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Instructions

1. Fold the piece of scrap paper in half and draw a pumpkin shape. You want this shape to take up most of your book. Real pumpkins are frequently lumpy and odd shapes so don't worry about making the shape perfect. Cut this shape out.



2. Tear the cover off of the book. If the top page of the book is hanging on by a thread, tear that page off as well.
3. Place the pumpkin shape on the top page and trace it. You will want to have an inch and a half to two inches on the top of the book. This will be the stem of the pumpkin.
4. On the top of the page, cut in about a quarter inch in from the edge of the book to the top of the pumpkin to create the stem. Then cut out the pumpkin shape, cutting all the way to the binding on the bottom. You will be able to cut out five to ten pages at a time.
5. Trace the shape you have cut out onto the next layer of pages. When cutting out the subsequent layers, be sure to cut on the inside of the line to ensure that your pumpkin stays the same size the entire way around. Repeat this process until you have cut through the entire book.

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6. When you are finished cutting out the pages, trim the bottom of the spine so the book sits flush with the table. Lay the newspaper out. Use the foam brush to put glue down the spine of the book. Then bend the book inwards on itself. I found pressing the book in half helped keep the spine in place. Allow the glue to dry.
7. (Optional) Brush the edges of the pages with the orange paint. You can do this while the glue dries.
8. Fluff the pages of the book so that they fan around the spine in a circle. Then touch up any spots that need more paint.

You can watch the sample being made in our video tutorial on YouTube.
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