

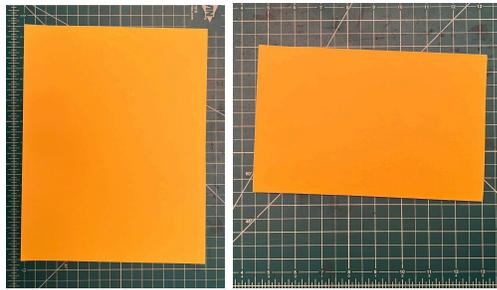
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Maker Skill: Paper Slide Mechanism

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This method works best with paper, cardstock or chipboard. It can also be done with mixed materials, such as cardboard or chipboard as a base and cardstock for the sliding mechanism.

1. Choose a piece of paper or cardstock that will be your background or base. Fold it so that the line of the fold is where you would like your paper slide mechanism to move.



2. Cut two slits into the fold roughly the same length. The distance between the slits will determine the distance your mechanism can move. Unfold the paper.



3. Cut a strip of paper that is quite a bit longer than the distance between the two slits. Ensure that the strip is narrower than the width of the slits.



4. Thread the strip through the two slits. Flip the background paper over, so that the strip of paper is showing between the two slits. Ensure the strip can slide easily back and forth. If needed, widen the slits or cut some



5. Add decoration to the mechanism by cutting out paper shapes and attaching them to the strip, and/or drawing directly on the paper slide. What will you create using your paper slide's motion?

