

## DIY Hanging Paper Heart

### Materials Needed

- Stapler
- Book pages
- Ruler
- String
- Scissors

### Instructions

1. Tear out a few pages from a book.
2. Using a ruler, measure 1" intervals across each book page, marking with a pen or pencil.
3. Cut the pages at each interval until you have at least seven strips that are about 8" long
4. Take one strip and cut in to two equal 4" strips
5. Take two more strips & mark and cut them at 5" long
6. Take two more strips & mark and cut them at 6" long
7. Take two more strips & mark and cut them at 7" long
8. Measure 11" of string and tie it into a loop.
9. Create two piles of your cut book pages. Each pile should contain one strip of each size starting with the smallest at the top of the pile.
10. Make sure each pile is lined up at the top so that the end of each larger strip is visible and staple each pile.
11. Sandwich the looped string between the two piles against the longest strips of each pile (the shortest strips should be facing out). Make sure the loop falls between the piles and not above them. The knot of in the loop should be near the staples of each pile.
12. Make sure the two piles with the loop between them are aligned and staple everything together. You may need to staple it twice.
13. Begin gathering the two smallest strips up and toward the center, holding the ends with your fingers. Continue gathering each strip, making sure they are aligned with the ends of the smallest center until all strips are gathered and the string is visible.
14. Staple the ends together. Trim the ends under the staple if needed.

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