



WHAT IS THIS?:

With just three pieces of construction paper, you can design your own special piece of awesome art. Awesome not only for the way it looks, but also for all the smart stuff you can learn by making it and looking at it. Stuff like space and shape; positive and negative space; fractions and symmetry!

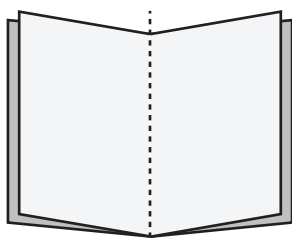


WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- 2 pieces of white construction paper
- 1 piece of coloured construction paper
- Glue or glue stick
- Scissors
- Marker, crayon or pencil



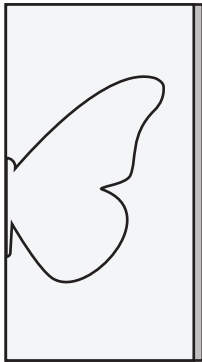
WHAT YOU DO:



STEP ONE:

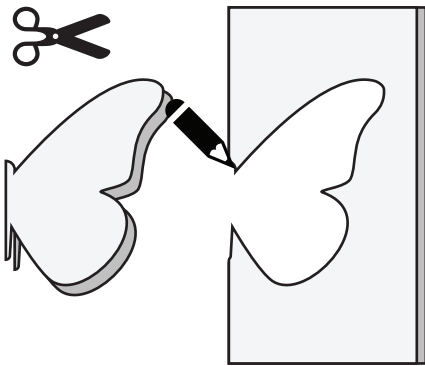
Stack one piece of white paper and one piece of coloured paper on top of each other, and then fold in half like a book.





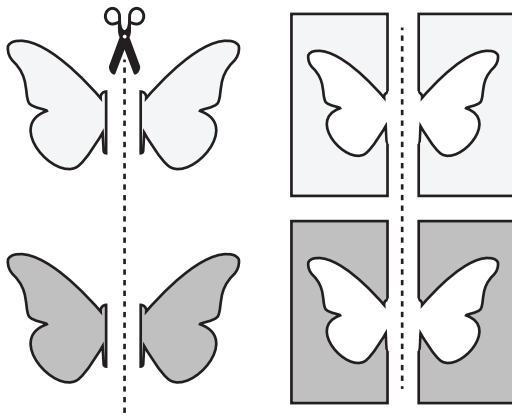
STEP TWO:

Draw half of a butterfly onto the folded paper, starting at the fold. Try using a picture or illustration from a book as a model for the butterfly shape. It may be helpful to first trace this shape onto another paper to get the feel of it.



STEP THREE:

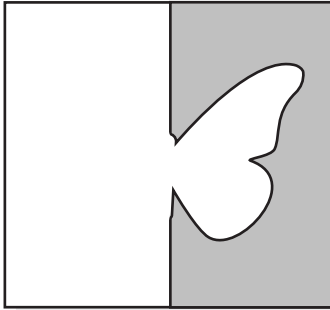
Cut the butterfly out. You should have two butterfly shapes (one coloured and one white). The fold should be in the center of the shape. The butterfly shape that has been removed is called the positive space. The remaining paper around the butterfly shape is called the negative space.



STEP FOUR:

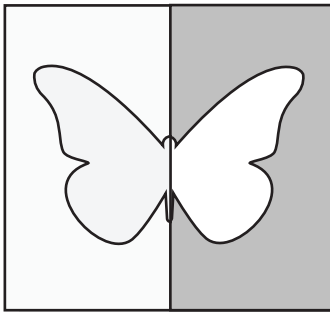
From the remaining paper, cut a line down the fold. You should now have four half pieces of paper with the negative butterfly space towards the center. Note how this demonstrates fractions - a number of pieces that are the same size.





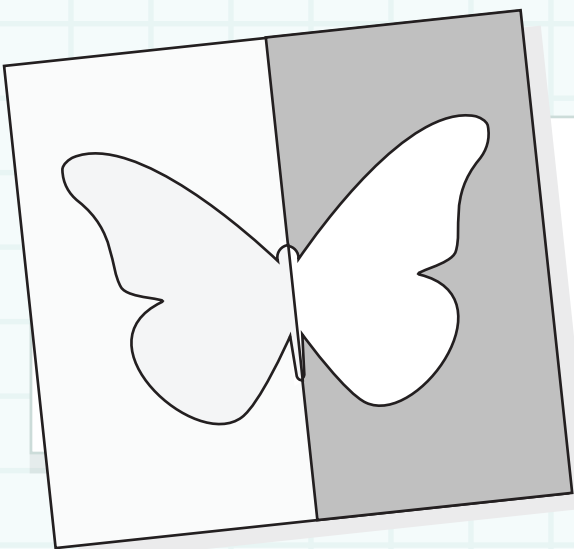
STEP FIVE:

Choose one half of the coloured paper (with the half butterfly cut out) and glue it to the second, new (non-cut) piece of white paper. It should be lined up exactly with the sides, top, and bottom of the new paper.



STEP SIX:

Cut both butterflies in half. Take one of the coloured half butterflies and glue it onto the white side of the paper that is blank.



STEP SEVEN:

When you're finished gluing, you should see a whole butterfly with one positive coloured side, and one negative space white side.

