

FAVORITE TOOLS

Page Protectors

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Clear page protectors can be used in a wide variety of ways. Cut them up to create journaling panels that sit directly over the photos on your pages. A page protector is also a great tool for the creation of windows on pages and on cards. These handy protectors can even be put to use as envelopes that allow for a sneak peek at the contents inside.

1. Attach a 6" x 12" strip of coordinating paper to the 12" x 12" page. Overlay a 5" band of patterned vellum over the page middle. Attach the vellum in areas that will be hidden when the photo is attached.
2. Fasten the photo an inch and a half from the top of the page.
3. Place lined paper over the photo and mark the subject of the photo and the photo's edges with a pencil or pen.
4. Trim a page protector slightly larger than the photo. Fasten it over the photo with vellum floral stickers.
5. Slide the lined paper under the page protector (and over the photo) and align it with the photo. Journal with a metallic paint pen using the lined paper as a guide to keep the writing straight and also as a guide to avoid writing over the face of the subject in the photo.
6. Add additional vellum and handmade paper stickers to embellish the page. Title the page on a paper sticker strip with rub on words.



WINDOW CARDS

1. Cut windows in the covers of cards with a craft knife.
2. Line the window openings on the inside with trimmed page protectors fastened (on the inside) with double stick tape.
3. Using your favorite stickers as patterns, trace designs on the clear windows. Because of the shiny surface, you will need to color with permanent markers or paint pens. For extra pizzazz, paint swatches of color on the page protector windows over the black pen designs.



MATERIALS

- Embossed Paper: Mrs. Grossman's
- Patterned Vellum: Deja-Views
- Vellum stickers: Mrs. Grossman's
- Rub on words: Making Memories
- Adhesive: Xyron and Hermafix
- Paints: Delta
- Patterned paper: Pebbles
- Plain paper: Canson
- Paper stickers: Mrs. Grossman's
- Gold paint pen: Sakura
- Permanent pen: Sharpie
- Page protector: Avery Dennison

