



GRADUATION EXPLOSION BOX CARD



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Stampin' Up! Supplies Used:

Stamps: You Are Amazing (154534), Well Said (148796)

Cardstocks: Basic Black (121045), Basic White (159276), Vellum (101856), Silver Foil (132178), Window Sheets (142314)

DSP: True Love (154281)

Dies: Playful Alphabet Dies (152706), Stitched Stars Dies (150653), Special Day Dies (153587)

Punch: Balloon Bouquet Punch (140609)

Ink: Memento Tuxedo Black (132708)

Twine: Playful Pets Trim Combo Pack (152466)

Tools: Paper Trimmer (152392), Paper Snips (103579), Simply Scored (122334), Mini Stampin Cut & Emboss Machine (150673), Bone Folder (102300)

Misc: Matte Black Dots (154284)

Adhesives: Dimensionals (104430), Black Dimensionals (150893), Tear & Tape (138995), Seal (152813)

Other: Large Black Brad, Black Bakers Twine

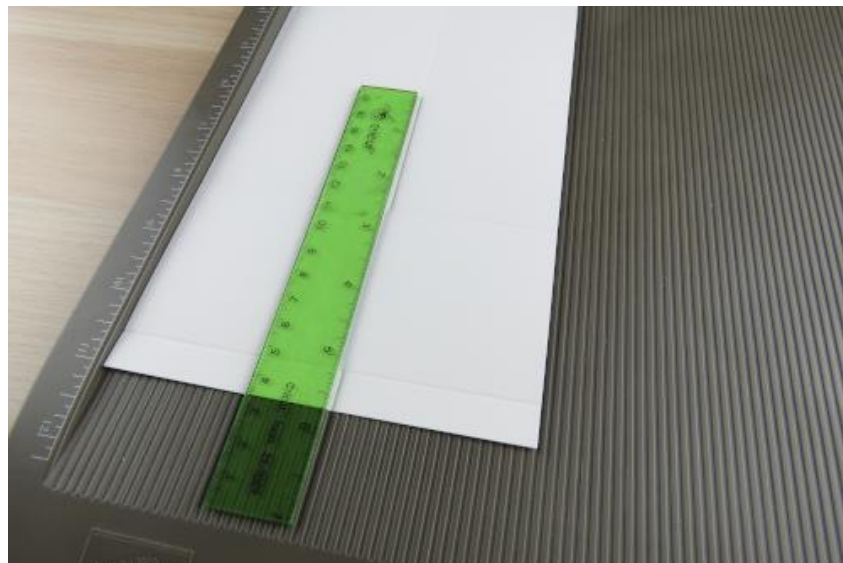
Take a sheet of cardstock in the color of your choice and place with a short side at the top in your paper trimmer and cut at 5 1/2" – put aside the smaller piece



Place into your scoring tool with a long side at the top and score at 2 5/8", 5 1/4", 7 7/8" and 10 1/2"



Rotate making sure that the small tab end panel is at the bottom and score at 3" DOWN TO THE FOURTH PANEL AND STOP – leave that panel unscored and then continue to score the little bottom end tab panel



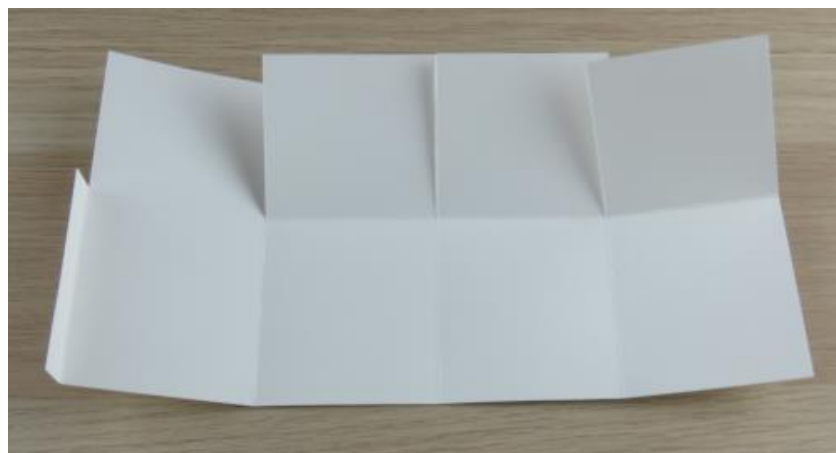
You will have one side that is 2 1/2" wide and one that is 3" wide - on the 2 1/2" side cut the end small flap from the intersecting center line up to the top of the 3" side to give you a tab



And again, on the 2 1/2" side cut along all score lines up to the intersecting center line



Fold along the center line and fold the first three panels and then the tab panel



Apply strong adhesive tape to the tab



Choose your patterned papers or cardstocks for the panels – for the bottom three panels cut the papers to measure $2\frac{3}{8}$ " x $2\frac{7}{8}$ " and adhere in place

Turn over and for the top panels cut four pieces that measure $2\frac{3}{8}$ " x $2\frac{3}{8}$ " and adhere in place



For the unscored large back panel cut two pieces that measure $2\frac{3}{8}'' \times 5\frac{1}{4}''$ – one for the front and one for the back that you can write a message on or stamp on before you adhere them in place



Once done adhering the panels, assemble and remove the backing from the strong adhesive tape on the tab and adhere in place – and the outside of your box is ready!



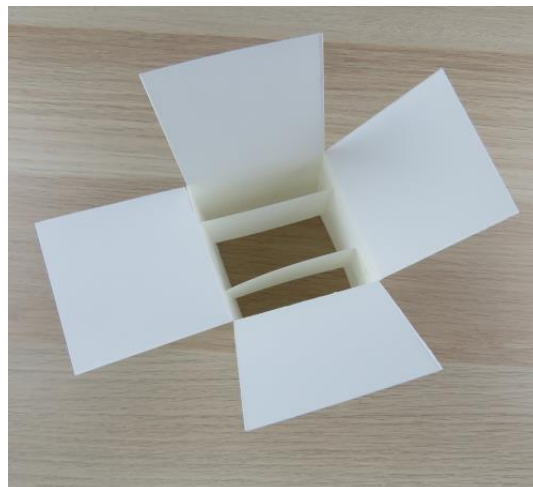
Take the piece you put aside in the beginning and cut to measure 3" x 2 5/8" - put in your scoring tool with a long side at the top – score at 1/2" and rotate – score the other end at 1/2". Place into the paper trimmer with a short end at the top and cut in half



Fold the tabs in opposing directions in a Z-fold fashion



Apply strong adhesive tape to each of the tabs and position inside your box card



And as you can see, it folds flat to pop in an envelope!



And now you get the fun bit – to decorate it!

This is how I decorated – all items that I used are listed in the supply list at the top of this Project Sheet:



I adhered my die cut letters to panels of black cardstock and then adhered those to strips of window sheets to attach to the dividers in the box card

If you have any questions at all about this tutorial please email me at sarah@sarabsinkspot.com and I will be very happy to answer them for you.

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