



Design for beginners

How to make a CD case

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Activity 4. Another 3D exercise to make a simple CD case. I'll sketch it out first to show you what I'm going to do. Basically constructing two squares. Now when I measured the CD case the CD measured 120 millimetres – 12 centimetres across. So I've made my squares each 125 millimetres. We need to put a tab on two sides there and there so that when it folds together they're held together. And I need to put another tab on the front to there. So it's a very simple activity. If you follow the dimensions in the workbook you will end up with a drawing that looks like that. You can either do your drawing on a piece of paper like we did for the previous exercise, cut it out, stick it on to a piece of cardboard from a cereal packet or you can draw it straight on to the cardboard as we did before.

So here's my piece of cardboard from my cereal packet. You can see that I've got the two tabs and these have been scored so they fold over. I've got a third tab here and I can simply now fold that over, apply a bit of glue, a bit of ordinary paper glue, along those edges on to there, fold that over, put something heavy on there so that that sticks and then you can try it out and put your CD into there.