



Stylish School/Office Supplies

Supplies:

Your regular, old, back-to-school supplies
 August 2010 Medley Kit
 Adhesive
 Small scrap of ribbon or twine
 Pringles chip can

And turn this:

Into this →



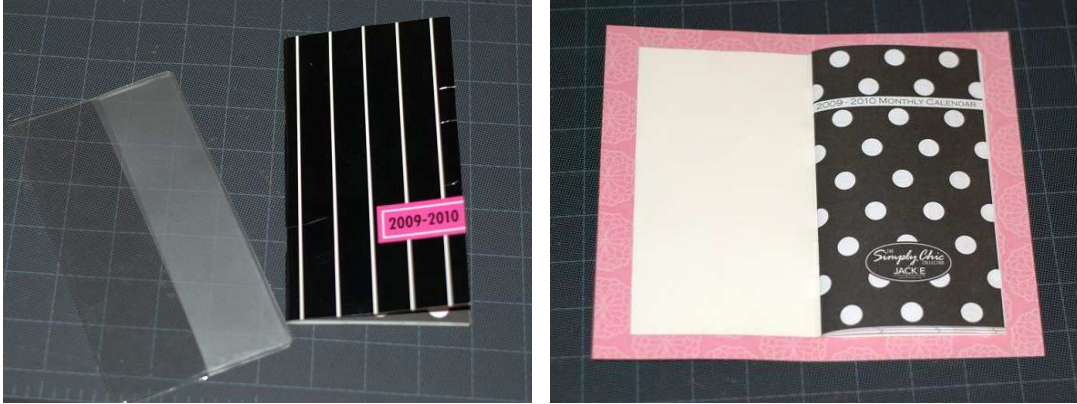
Directions:

1. Start with your Pringles can. I didn't want it quite as tall, so I cut about two inches off the top with an exacto knife. Cover with paper as desired. Here I used the green CS with some versa-marked stamped leaves, some pink PP and one of the journal blocks. Alphas spell out PENCILS across the block. To get the lid to fit snugly, add an extra strip of CS right across the top of the can, which will be covered when the lid is placed back on it.



The can will easily fit inside a backpack and can be slid into a desk without taking up much room.

2. Have a boring assignment book or small planner? This one here had a plastic cover but it came off easily and I was able to alter my planner. Measure your planner and cut a rectangle about 1/2 inch larger on either side.



Fold the corners over at a right angle and adhere the PP around the sides of the planner. Be sure to cut a slit where the bind is so it folds in half easily. Here I added a strip of PP for my 'TO-DO' later. I wanted the planner to stay closed too, so I added some string on the back side, adhered with some PP.

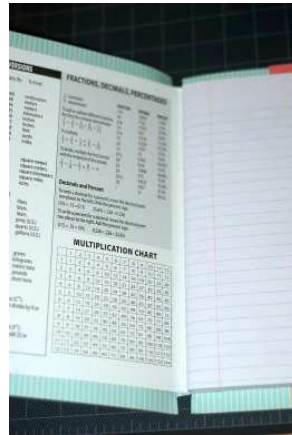


I punched a brad in the front to wrap the string around to keep the planner closed. Alphas spell out "TO-DO" so hopefully I remember what needs to get done once school starts!

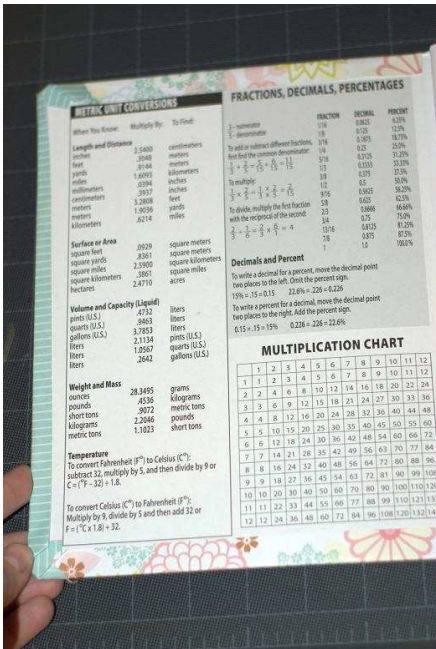


3. Composition books are my girls' favorite things to write in. They love the fact that you can't rip the pages out and they have all their writing prompt assignments in the book. My oldest thinks it's especially funny to look back at the end of the school year and laugh at her spelling and grammar.

My composition book was 10x15 inches in length when folded out. I pieced together some PP and CS to make 11x16 inches to have an extra 1/2 inch to fold over the edges. Adhere the front of your comp book leaving the 1/2 edge. Cut out small squares on the binding so it will fold easily. Adhere the back.



Using the same book covering method as the planner, fold over the edges at the corners and then the side, top, and bottom. If you stuck to the 1/2 inch edging, you should still be able to see the helpful tables on the inside and back covers. Use the other journal block and some pink PP for a mat to make a space for your child's name and school subject.



4. For the binder I simply cut a piece of PP down to the size of the front cover and slipped it in the pocket. Your child can add pictures of their friends later in the school year.

Enjoy your Decorative Back-to-School supplies without the outrageous price tag! And your child will love to have one-of-a-kind items to start off the new year with!