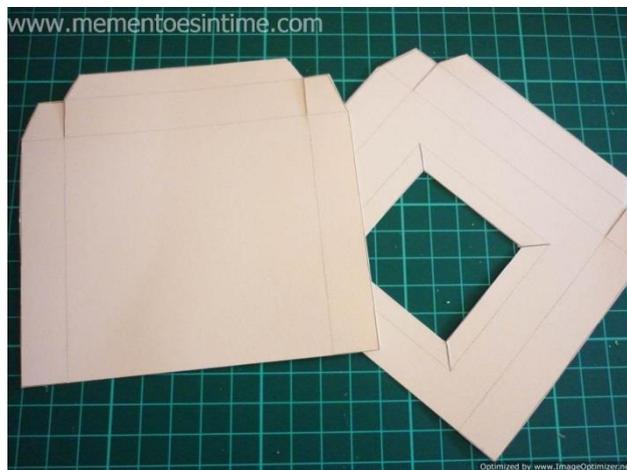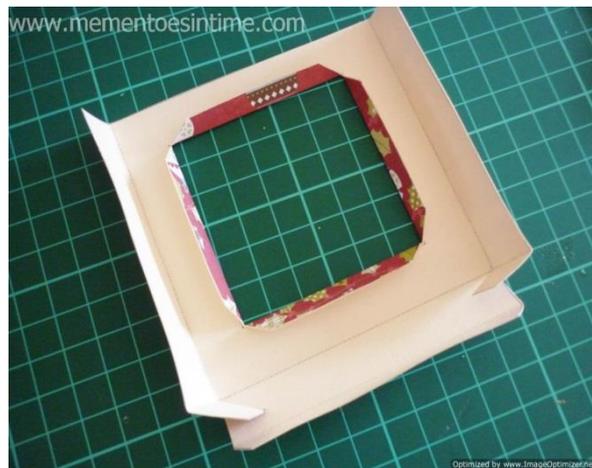# Aperture Boxes

For our next freebie project, we've got a lovely box template for you. For some reason, box templates are always fun to do and this one is no exception. This little box can be used to wrap small gifts, chocolates or other sweet treats. Read on for some notes to make this project.

The easiest thing is to print your template direct to your card. Cut along the solid lines and fold along the dotted lines. Use a scalpel to cut out the window in the middle of the top piece.
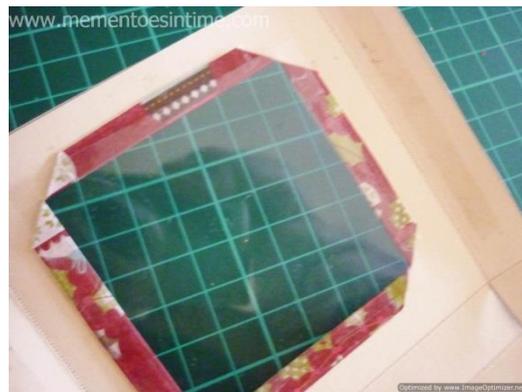
Tip: If you want to cover your box with papers, the easiest way is to print out the template, stick your paper on the reverse of the card and then cut the pieces out. I've used a piece of free paper from a magazine for one of the boxes, so this is a great project to use up odd pieces of scrap paper you have in your collection.

The tabs around the window create a neat frame, so fold these inwards.

Add a piece of acetate to the inside of the window. Tip: Acetate can be hard to find these days, so just use a piece of plastic from some food or other packaging.

Use double sided tape to assemble your box, sticking the two side panels of the top piece to the outside of the side panels of the bottom piece, leaving the two opening ends unstuck.

Here is the box, almost assembled, (note this one is plain and uncovered)

One side of the box will be uncovered, so you can add a strip of paper to cover it, if you wish.

Now your box is complete. If you don't want to use papers, why not stamp your box instead. Add a ribbon and there you are!

If you want the template to make this lovely box, then just visit the *24 Days of Christmas Freebies* on our Members' Pages!

Happy Crafting!