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Ahoy maties! We've just hidden the booty from other greedy buccaneers and now it's time to make ye ol' treasure map. Yo ho ho!

SUPPLIES

Before we start creating our treasure maps, we'll have to plunder a few things...

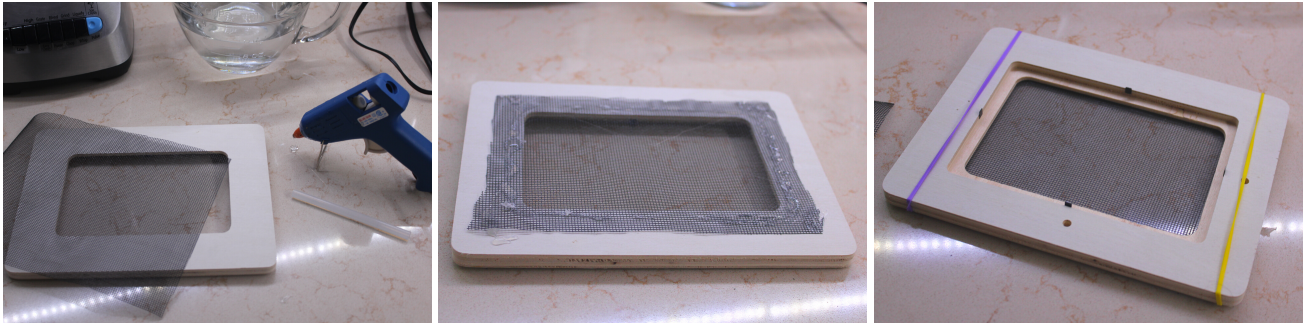
- Newspaper
- A blender
- A plastic bin
- Window screen
- Scissors
- 2 picture frames
- Hot glue gun/stapler
- Rubber bands
- Paper towel
- Dry sponge
- Iron or hair dryer (optional)
- Cloth/towel (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Tear or cut half a newspaper sheet into thin strips.
- Make a frame:
 - Take your two picture frames and remove the backing and any glass.
 - Measure out two pieces of window screen the same size as your picture frames. Hot glue or staple one piece of screen to one of the frames, and set the other piece of screen aside.
 - Stack your two frames (the one with the screen attached and the one without) so that the screen is on the very bottom of the stack. Using rubber bands, strap the frames together.



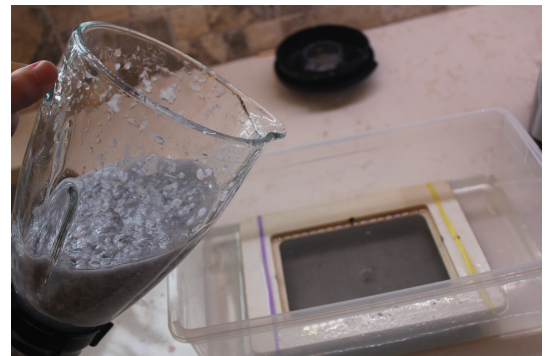
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- Make paper pulp:
 - Put your newspaper inside your blender and cover it with warm water. No precise measure is needed, though more is better than less.
 - Blend your paper and water mixture until it is a chunky consistency like oatmeal.



- Pour your pulp:
 - Fill your bin up with water (enough so that your homemade frame can float) and place your frame in the bin. Make sure the screen is wet.
 - Pour your paper pulp into the frame, you can use your fingers to make sure its evenly distributed. You can also include glitter or pieces of coloured paper now, too!

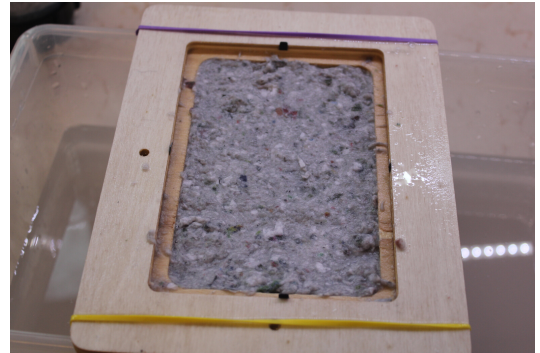


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- Take your frames out of the bin and place them on your cloth/towel. Remove the elastics and take away the second frame (the one without the screen).
- Take your second screen that you set aside earlier and put it on top of your bottom frame. Your paper pulp should now be between two screens.
- Press a dry sponge on top of your screen and continue pressing until you have removed most of the moisture. You can squeeze the excess back into the bucket and continue sponging if you need to.
- Remove the top screen and your paper should come with it!
- Place the paper between two sheets of paper towel and continue to pat away any more moisture.
- Dry your paper!
 - You can do this by air drying for a few hours, or if you are keen to get going, you can iron or blow dry your paper.
- Complete your map:
 - Once your paper is dry, you can start drawing your treasure map. To add an antique effect, you can burn the edges or add staining with used tea bags.



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DID YOU KNOW...

- Paper is the most recycled product in the world.
- Canada recycles almost 70% of its paper and cardboard, putting it among the top paper recycling countries in the world. The national recovery rate of corrugated boxes in Canada is estimated at 85%.
- Paper can be recycled up to 7 times.
- In Canada, 87% of the wood fiber used to make paper comes from a blend of sawmill residues and recycled paper. Paper is an incredibly sustainable product!
- Paper has been used for a long time. In fact, it can be dated back to 2nd century BCE when the Chinese created paper from pulp of mulberry fibres. However, it wasn't until the 19th century that wood pulp became the main source of paper.



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