What you’ll need...

- Recycled Book (520+ Pages)
- Pencil
- Sculpting Template
- Scissors

Pick a book. Hardcover works best. For the template on the back of this card, the book must contain a minimum of 520 pages. Find the first page you wish to start on. You will want the sculpting to be in the middle of the book, so you may need to start later in the book. (e.g. If you have a 600 page book, you may want to start on page 40.) You can also use a smaller book by only doing every other line and get away with making it with a book as few as 260 pages.

While turned to the page you are folding, you will slide the template under the page and line it up with the appropriate numbered line. Make sure the bottom of the template page lines up with the page being folded to insure the following pages align with the rest. Fold the top corner of the page until the fold lines up with the top of the image. The start of the fold should be as close to the spine as possible without ripping the page. Then fold the bottom to do the same.

If the image has gaps between the top and bottom edges, then you will need to take a scissors and cut about an inch deep between the fold points and then fold the smaller flaps back. It’s just like the top and bottom folds, only smaller.

Continue doing the same for each page of the template. Take note of the line number you are on when you pause the project. The project can take some time, but will turn out a beautiful book sculpture in the end. You can also make your own template by stretching line art horizontally across a page and placing vertical guide lines over the top. Also try Googling “Book Sculpture Template.”