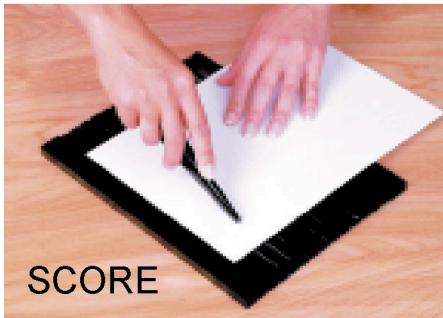


HOW TO MAKE TELESCOPING BOXES FROM TWO TRAYS



SCORE



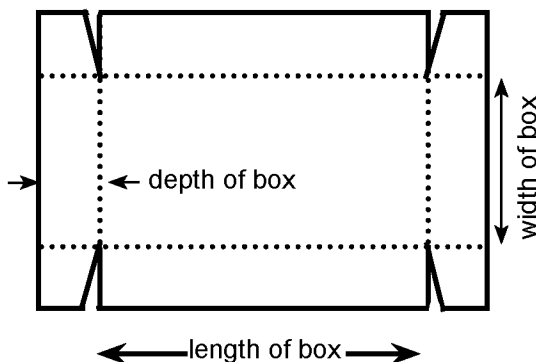
CUT



FOLD AND GLUE



FINISHED



SCORED AND NOTCHED BLANK

The Patented **BOXMAKER ORIGINALE** (tm) is described here. The basic principle of construction embodied in this tool applies to all telescoping boxes made with two trays. Patent # 5,484,373 and others.

Step One -- Get ready:

- Place the Scoring Table on a flat desk or tabletop.
- Note that one side of the table is marked "TOP" and the other side is marked "BOTTOM". The "TOP" side will be used for making your box tops and the "BOTTOM" side will be used to make your box bottoms. The spacing between the guide rail and the scoring slots is slightly larger (.050" larger) on the "BOTTOM" side than on the "TOP" side -- this makes the length and width of the box bottom each .100" smaller than the box top and will result in a perfect fit for your boxes.
- Scoring slots are spaced at 1/2" intervals across the face of the table. Which slot you use will determine the DEPTH of your finished box.

Step Two -- Select and cut two cardstock blanks:

- Cut two same-size sheets of the material you wish to use to make your box.
- See pages 4 for more info on how to do this. Example: a finished box that is 3" long, 3" wide and 2" deep would require starting with a 7" x 7" piece of cardstock.

Step Three -- Score:

- Put one blank against the guide rail on the Scoring Table side marked "TOP". You will want to score your cardstock on the side that is to become the inside of your box, so what will be the outside surface of your box should be face down. (Figure marked "SCORE")
- Score each edge of the cardstock (a total of four scores, one score parallel to each edge) using a Scoring Tool (see page 29).
- Be sure to use the scoring slot that is equal to the depth of the box you want to make. For example, using the 2 1/2" slot will give you a box that is 2 1/2" deep.

Step Four -- Cut:

- Cut notches in the four square corners as shown in drawing marked "SCORED AND NOTCHED BLANK". These notches make a flap in each corner of the box.

Step Five -- Fold:

- Fold your cardstock along all four score lines with the corner flaps inside at each corner.

Step Six -- Glue:

- Glue each corner flap to the adjacent side. A hot melt glue gun works best. If some flaps overlap, simply trim them to fit. Your box top is complete.

Step Seven -- Repeat #3 to #6

- Repeat steps three to six for the other piece of cardstock. Be sure to use the side of the Scoring Table marked "BOTTOM".
- When you have successfully completed these steps, the top and bottom of your box will fit snugly together.

Note:

- Cardstock can be cut down to a smaller size or cut into any straight sided shape you wish (triangle, rectangle, pentagon, etc.) -- if all edges can be placed against the guide rail, the Boxmaker system will work!

Hints:

- For decorating boxes with certain materials (tissue paper, fabric, gift wrap, etc.) it is easiest to apply the material before you begin scoring and folding -- but the boxes are more elegant if you cover them after folding and gluing.
- Any cardstock material can be used to make boxes. Old cereal boxes, and the backs of writing paper pads work great.
- **See tips, tricks and techniques on page 45.**