

Graduation Gift Card Holder

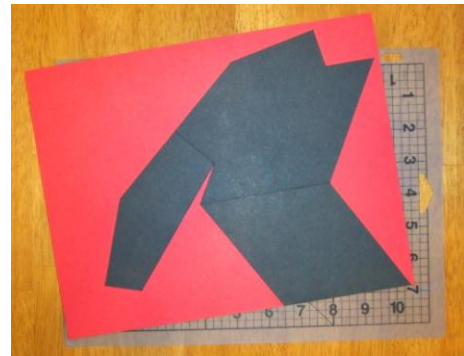
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Supply list:

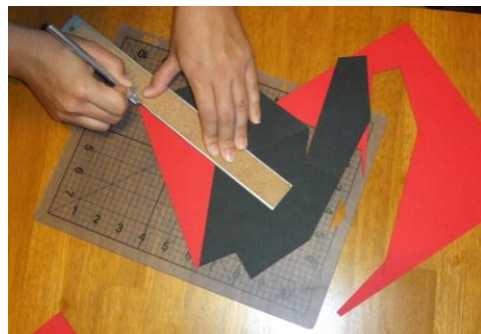
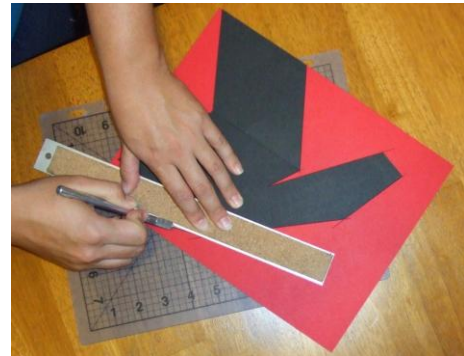


8½" x 11" colored cardstock
2" x 3½" white cardstock
Template
Hobby blade or scissors
Ruler
Bright pink marker (Pixie Pink)
Pale blue marker (Bordering Blue)
Sentiment stamp & ink
(Hugs & Wishes, Real Red)
Glue adhesive
Tape adhesive
Brad
Paper piercer
24" embroidery floss

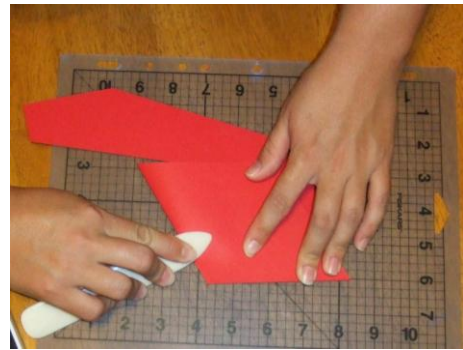
1. Line template on cardstock, flush on one edge.



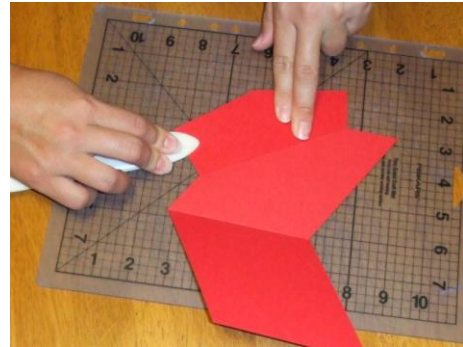
2. Using straight edge and hobby blade, cut cardstock around template. Remove template. (If using scissors, trace template and then cut out.)



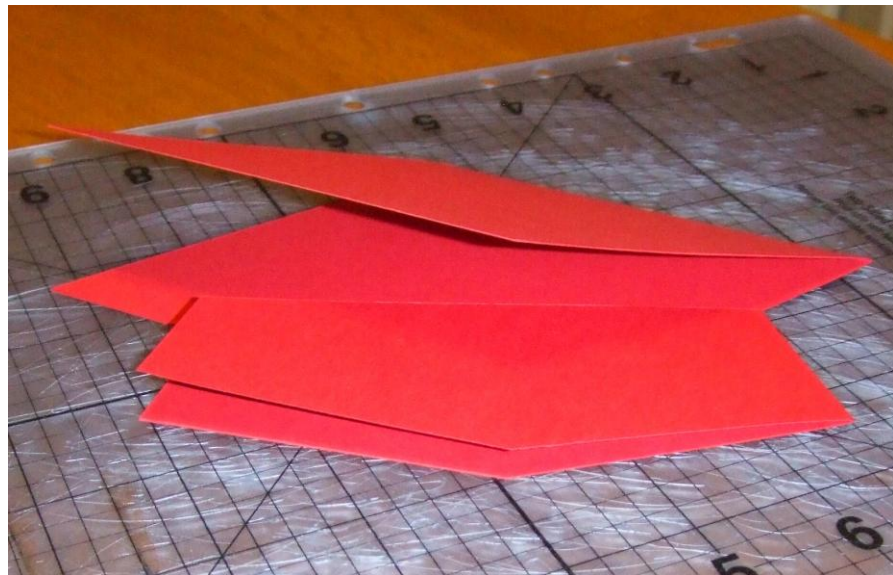
3. Fold the cap (the V-shaped portion of the paper) by lining up the points and creasing with a bone folder.



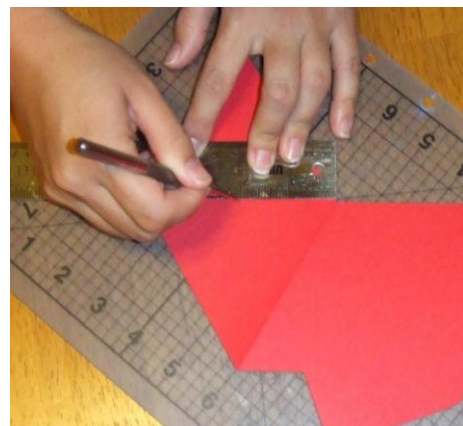
4. Unfold the cap. Fold the base portion (the long strip side) by lining up the points and creasing.



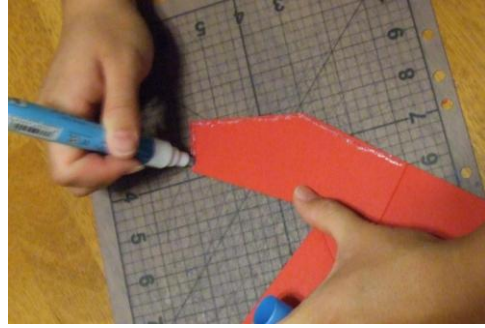
5. Your card should look like this.



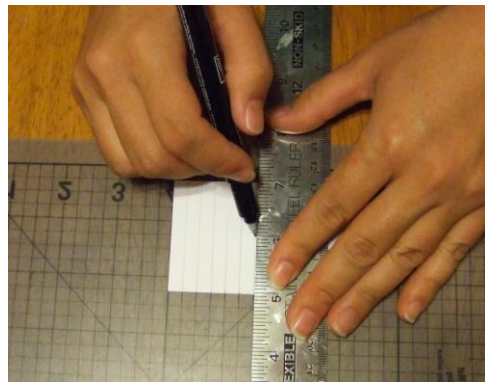
6. With the cap portion open, on the top part of the cap, line up a ruler from opposite points and punch a hole at midpoint. This will be for your brad and tassel.



7. Apply glue to the side and bottom portions of the base as shown. Once folded, this will form the pocket for your gift card.



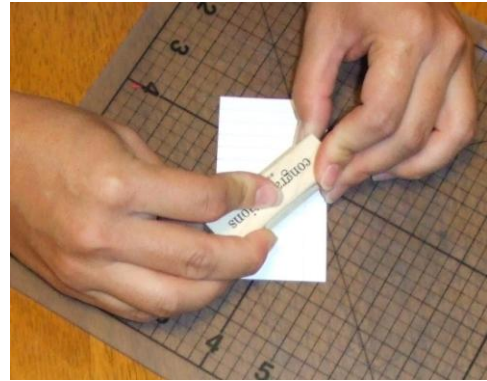
8. Take the white piece of cardstock. Using the pale blue marker and your ruler, draw lines at $\frac{1}{4}$ " spacing.



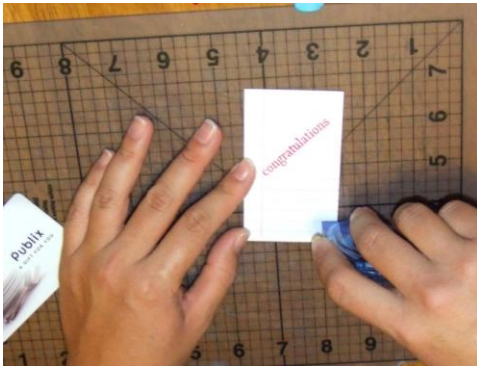
9. Next, using your bright pink marker, draw a margin line.



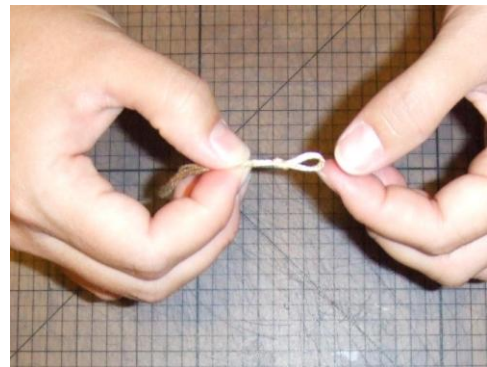
10. Stamp your sentiment on your 'notebook paper'.



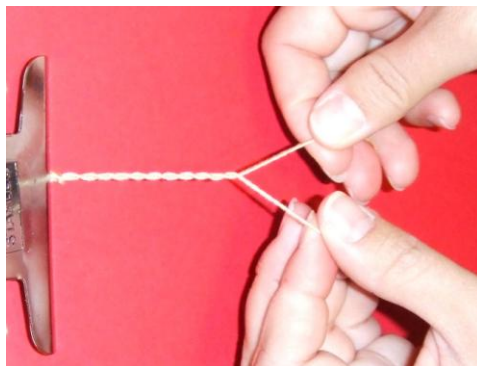
11. Apply some light adhesive to the base of your notebook paper to attach the gift card. Mount it at an angle so the paper will hide behind the cap.



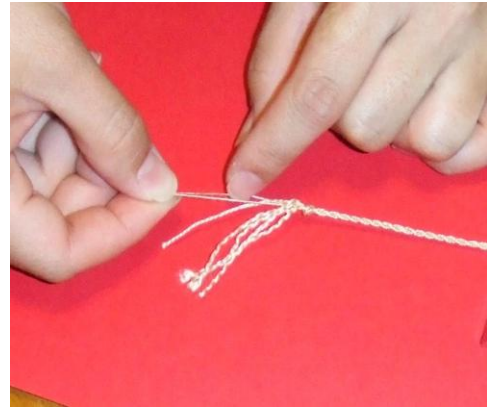
12. Make the tassel. Cut the embroidery floss into two 12" lengths. Fold these in half and tie and overhand knot, leaving a small loop to fit under the brad.



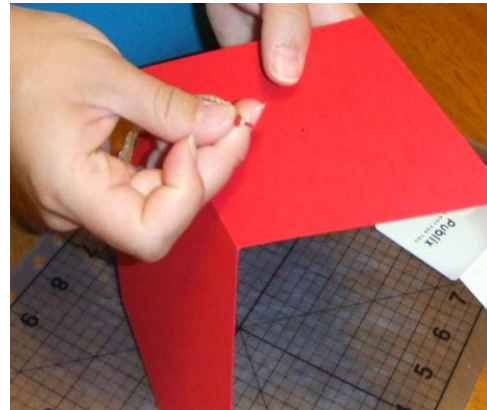
13. Twist or braid the strand to about 2" in length. Tie off in another overhand knot.



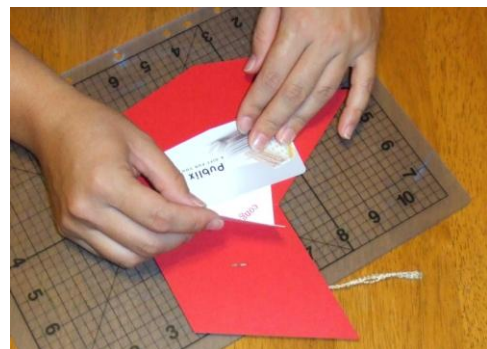
14. Unravel the loose ends to form the tail of the tassel.



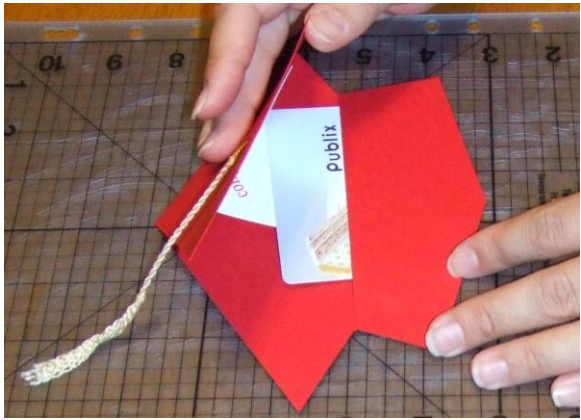
15. Thread the brad through the loop on the tassel and attach through the punched hole in your cap.



16. Time to attach your gift card slider. Line up your gift card with the lower right hand side slightly tucked in the pocket and the upper left hand corner just peeking above the card top. The notebook paper piece should easily cover the prongs of the brad.



17. As you fold the cap down, the gift card should slide into the pocket until it stops. At that point, the notebook paper piece should form its own crease.



18. Your finished card!



This fits in a standard A7 envelope.