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Supplies you will need:

- 2 oz black clay
- 1/2 oz translucent clay
- Silver leaf or composite silver leaf
- Charm or embellishment of your choice
- Pre-made cane slices for embellishing edges
- Nu Blade®
- Pasta machine
- Printer paper
- Glue stick
- White glue
- Ribbon



1. Condition all clay thoroughly!

2. Run black clay through pasta machine at the thickest setting. Lay silver leaf on top and burnish with fingers.

3. Roll translucent clay through the pasta machine at the thickest setting. Continue to roll through and lower the setting one notch each time until you get it very thin.

4. Place the translucent clay on top of the silver leaf and burnish with your fingers.



5. Measure and cut the stack to approximately 2" x 2 1/2". Cut the loop off your charm with some heavy wire cutters. You may also use a different embellishment of your choice. Just be sure it can withstand oven temperatures.



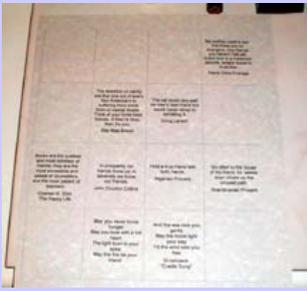
6. Coat the back of your charm or embellishment with some white glue such as Sobo® or tacky glue. Place the charm or embellishment on the cover and push gently into the clay. If the embellishment is oven safe, continue to step 7. If not, gently press embellishment into the clay without glue, then carefully remove. You will need to use a cyanoacrylate glue such as SuperGlue® to attach the embellishment to the book cover after baking.



7. Decorate the edge of the cover with slices from a small pre-made cane.

8. Make the back cover to match and be sure to sign it!

9. Bake the front and back covers following manufacturer's instructions.



10. I've made a grid on a piece of paper with my computer. If you are more comfortable, you can use pencil and a ruler to make a grid too. My squares measure slightly smaller than my book cover which is 2" x 2 1/2". Notice I've printed my squares so that some are blank. These blank pages will be glued inside the fold of two others and will not show.



11. Cut the paper so that you have four strips of four boxes.



12. Now fold the strips accordion style so that they fit together as shown. Glue the blank pages inside the folds so that only the squares with words are showing.

13. After you're done gluing, your book should look like this:



14. Cut three strips of ribbon and use your glue stick to attach them as shown to the front of the book pages. Wrap them around the book and glue them to the back.



15. Get the covers ready.... Now coat them with the white glue and lay the paper pages and ribbon to the clay cover. Do this on both sides.



16. The finished book!