

# 3 Ways to Reuse your Cereal Box!!

## Tote Bag

### Materials

1 empty cereal box, any size  
Scissors  
Assorted decorative paper, such as construction paper or scrap-booking paper  
Paintbrush  
Mod Podge matte sealer

### Instructions

Cut off the box's top flaps.  
Draw a 4- by 1-inch oval centered on the front and back of the box, about 1 inch from the open end. Cut out the ovals to create the handles.  
Tear your paper into various shapes.

Using the paintbrush, apply a small amount of Mod Podge to the back of a piece of paper, then smooth the paper onto the box. Spread more Mod Podge over the paper to help seal it in place. Repeat until the entire box is covered, folding the papers over the edges of the box where necessary. Let the sealer dry, about 20 minutes.

To help the tote close easily, use the tip of the paintbrush handle to score a line down the middle of each side of the box, then bring the edges together to crease the fold.



## Bookmark



This is a simple project that will save your books from dog ears and your cardboard from the trash.

Simply pull out your colorful cardboard packages, flatten them out and cut them into strips about 1 1/2" x 6". Round the corners using your scissors. Use a hole punch and reuse ribbon or string to finish your bookmark.

## Puzzle



The fronts of cereal boxes are often bright and colorful.

Follow these directions to make them into fun puzzles!

Cut the front from a cereal box. Recycle the rest or keep it to make other small things like a bookmark, a stencil or pattern for something, or a folder for papers.

Turn the cereal box front over and use a pencil to divide the back into different shaped sections like puzzle pieces. Divide it into a few large sections to make an easy puzzle or lots of smaller sections to make a more difficult puzzle. Use scissors to cut on the pencil lines. You will be cutting the front of the cereal box into puzzle pieces.

Turn all the pieces over, colored sides facing up, and put the Cereal Box Puzzle back together.



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# Cereal Box Business Card Holder!!

## How To Do It!

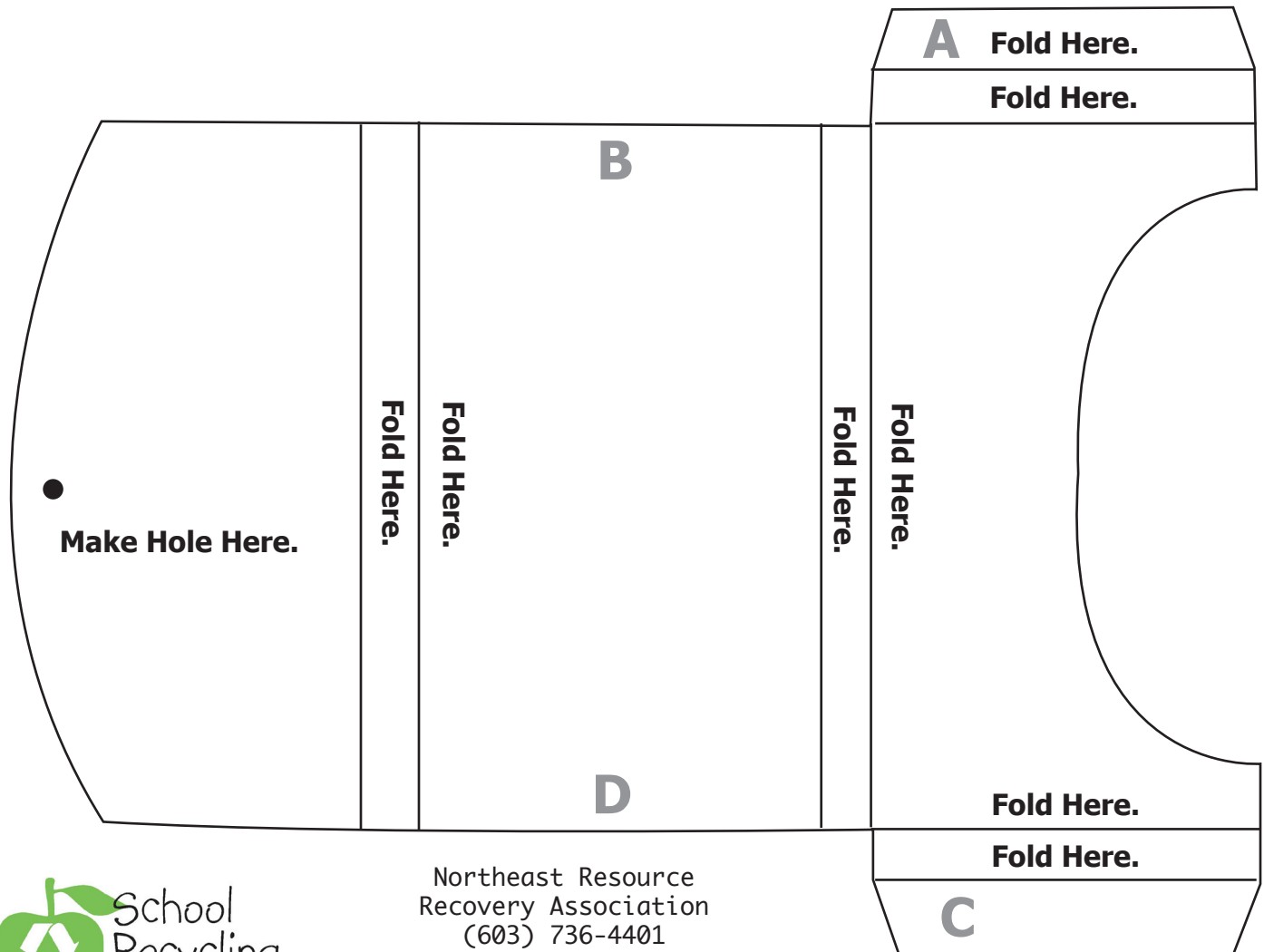
This pattern is a perfect way to reuse your cereal boxes or cracker boxes.

### Materials:

Cereal box front and back panels  
Pen  
Scissors  
Ruler  
Blunt Tool, such as letter opener (optional)  
Glue  
2 Paperclips (optional)  
Thin Rubberband

### Directions:

Cut out the front and backs of your colorful boxes. Turn them over and trace the pattern below. Cut out the pattern and use a blunt object and ruler to score the fold lines on the backside of the paperboard. This will make for an even, easy fold. Fold all areas as marked and glue areas A to B and C to D. Use paperclips to hold the area until the glue dries. Use a paperclip or small punch to make a hole in the specified area. Cut a rubberband and thread both ends towards the backside. Tie a knot to secure.



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