Kit # 117

Let's Make Beautiful Things Together

Just some info: ADHERE means to stick your card elements together using a tape runner, a double sided tape, a liquid craft glue or any combination of those. If I specify a type of adhesive, that's because the situation will work BEST using the recommended adhesive ③ But you can always just use what you have!

Congraits

Where to Start?

First confirm you have all card elements and pre-plan your card layout. Just to get an idea of how you want it to look.

Contents:

1 Black top folding card Base

1 Black card stock panel

1 White congrats frame diecut

4 Strips foam

1 piece of acetate plastic

1 balloon diecut

5 pieces of hat diecuts

(3 hats, 1 topper, 1 tassel)

1 colored card stock piece to match

your balloon choice

I White card stock piece

Shaker bits

1 coordinating envelope

1 mailing liner

*(mailing liner only needed if you mail your card)**

Let's Begin!



We'll construct the card front first.

You'll need the black card stock panel, the white congrats die cut, the acetate piece, all of the hat die cut pieces, the balloon die cut, the shaker bits and the foam strips.

- 1.Let's construct our graduation cap first. We will layer our pieces together to create dimension. Glue three stacked full hat pieces together. On top of that add the diamond topper piece. Last we will glue the tassel to the center of the diamond topper. I recommend using a small dot of liquid glue. Add the glue first and then place the tassel on the glue. Position it how you'd like it.
- 2. Next adhere your balloon die cut to your black card stock panel. This will be the front of your card that shows beneath your shaker. I've already drawn the balloon string onto your panel. When adhering your balloon make sure to cover the back with your adhesive so that none of the edges pull up. This will help keep the shaker bits from getting stuck in your balloon.
- 3. Now use a liquid glue or thin double sided tape to adhere your acetate piece to the back of your frame die cut. This creates the window for your shaker. You will also need to use a small amount of glue to adhere the Congrats part of the frame. Make sure it doesn't squeeze out the sides.
- 4. When this is dry adhere your four strips of foam to the back of your frame. Peel the release paper off the back of the foam strip and line it up carefully along your frame. Make sure that at each corner there is no gap in the foam. This will prevent your shaker bits from escaping. The foam needs to act as a dam to keep your sequins inside. Now it's time to put our shaker together. Add a line of liquid glue around the four edges of your frame. This is your shaker front.

- 6. Carefully drop your shaker bits to the inside of your framed shaker front. Add your black panel to your shaker front where your lines of glue are. Make sure the balloon is on the inside and facing the right direction. You can turn the shaker over and adjust the edges at this time before the glue sets. All sides should line up.
- 7. Once this is dry, you can adhere your shaker to your card base. Make sure to leave an even border of black showing along each edge.
- 8. Next adhere your graduation cap to the front of your card for decoration.

Now let's decorate the inside of our card!

- 1. Adhere your colored cardstock panel to the inside of your card base making sure to leave an even border of black showing along each edge.
- 2. Next adhere your white card stock panel onto your colored panel making sure to leave and even border showing along each edge.



And you did it!

Thank you so much for crafting with me!

Don't forget to use the hashtag #sandiscardscreations on instagram to share your finished product and be featured in my story!

*Confirm postage needed when mailing *mailing liner is used as a barrier over the card front to protect it during shipping