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# Bookbinding

## Materials List

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All materials will be provided for students to create a 6x4in "sweet" binding book and any other books made in the class; students will need to provide most of their own tools. Bookbinding can require a lot of materials and tools, but most items may be used for multiple projects. Part of the fun of bookbinding is how individual and customizable it can be.

### Required Student Materials

- Ruler, preferably at least 24 in. and metal like <https://www.dickblick.com/products/blick-stainless-steel-ruler/>
- Craft or snap blade knife like <https://www.dickblick.com/products/blick-premier-twist-lock-knife-blades/> \*note, we will be using the knife to cut through a chip board type material\*
- A medium (roughly ½ inch in width) sized brush that can be used with glue - please note that a brush used for glue will not return to its prior state and will only be fit for use as a glue brush after.
- Water jar
- A small spray bottle for water
- Scissors
- Phone book, old textbook or similar; to use for punching holes - please do not use a book you care about as it will sustain punctures in the process. If you have a self-healing mat you can simply use this but it may be a little more challenging.

### Optional Materials (useful but not essential)

- Self-healing mat (does not need to be huge, at least big enough to cut out something 6x4 inches.)
- Bookbinding awl, like <https://www.dickblick.com/products/sewing-awl/> (there is a class set)
- A bone folder (there is a class set)
- Drafting triangle (45)
- Book weight or binder clips
- A container, like a pencil box, to carry tools in

Most items are available from Dick Blick but more options may be found from online bookbinding suppliers or on Etsy.



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