**How to Make a BookMark?**

September is Library Card Sign Up Month! Celebrate by making a bookmark.

Bookmarks are the perfect gift to make and mail to friends and families!

**Materials:** • 1 pieces of cardstock or weighted paper • old bookmark for template • pencil and eraser • black ink pen • scissors • watercolors • paint brush • paper towels • small cup or container • water. **Optional:** ruler • markers • colored pencil • yarn/ribbon • whole punch

**Instructions:**

## SetUp Station!

1. Fill small cup or container halfway with water.
2. Place scrap paper on table where you plan to work. Do project on top of this sheet, in order to protect surface of table from markings of pen/pencil/marker.

## Make It!

1. With pencil trace around your old bookmark onto a piece of cardstock or weighted paper.
2. Wet brush and swirl brush in watercolors, then brush them over your bookmark.
3. After you have filled up your bookmark with color, let dry for 15-20 minutes.
4. Next, write out a word or motivational saying on your bookmark. Then, trace it with black inked pen. You could create a fun border or decorate the letter.
5. Finally, cut out your new bookmark.

## Tips!

1. Heavy weighted watercolor paper is the absolute best for this project. However, cardstock or construction paper can work as well.
2. Be sure to test out your pen and eraser before using it on your project, just to be sure it leaves the desired effect.
3. Let the watercolor completely dry before using pen or cutting it out.