



SCRAPBOOKS



Scrapbooks are a great way to combine photos, memorabilia, and journaling to showcase important things in your life!

HOW TO SCRAPBOOK:



1. PICK A THEME

- Choose a theme for something happening in your life that you have pictures and memorabilia from (for example, Camp in a Box or School Events).
- You may want to use your journal writing from camp week (See printed questions on following page)
- We will be sending you printed copies of the pictures that you sent to us from Camp in a Box for you to add to your scrapbook later.

2. CHOOSE A COLOR SCHEME

- Choose a type of paper and pen colors connected to your theme.

3. THINK OF EVERY PAGE AS A STORYTELLING TOOL

- Every page can tell a small story.
- Create layouts to show your stories to friends, family members, and even future generations to appreciate years from now.

4. DON'T BE AFRAID TO USE YOUR HANDWRITING (NO MATTER HOW SLOPPY!)

- Handwritten elements add a personal and unique touch
- Your handwriting is unique to only you, embrace it!
- You can have small areas of blank paper to use as "handwriting blocks" or write on separate pieces of paper and then tape them into your scrapbook.



5. DON'T LIMIT YOURSELF TO USING ONLY PHOTOS - THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!

- Use your writings, drawings, quotes, and other things you can connect to your theme. Examples might include your journal writings, arts and crafts you made, paper, ribbons, dried leaves and flowers, letters, envelopes and handwritten notes.

6. CREATE YOUR OWN DECORATIVE ELEMENTS

- Use blank paper and your choice of materials: pens, markers, colored pencils, paints.
- Create a handmade "pattern" and use scissors to cut it up into background pieces.



HELPFUL HINTS:

- Try to create your pages in 3 steps:
 1. Choose and arrange images or main visual pieces,
 2. Add decorative elements,
 3. Go in and add handwritten "captions" or journaling.
- Give yourself the freedom to finish anytime and add items later.
- Sometimes it's also fun to ask friends or family members to handwrite their own take on an experience, if they were there too.

