

As you saw in the Crown project on pages 42–43, you can use a half-image and an accordion fold to create a repeating pattern of a whole image. This technique could be replicated using any of the other mirror-fold projects in the book to make a paperchain for any occasion.

Tool kit

- Bone folder
- Metal safeguard ruler
- Self-healing cutting mat
- Craft knife and blades

Materials

- Paper
- Sticky tape

Choosing materials

There are many folds in this project, so you will want to use a light-weight paper. I would recommend sticking to 16–20 lb bond (60–75 gsm).



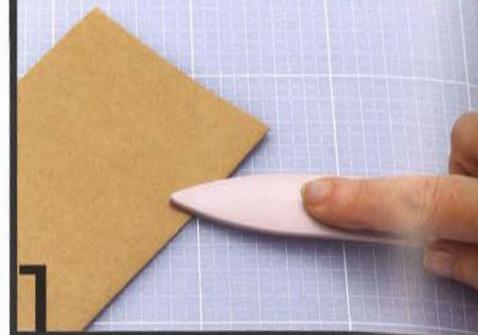
Template is on page 141

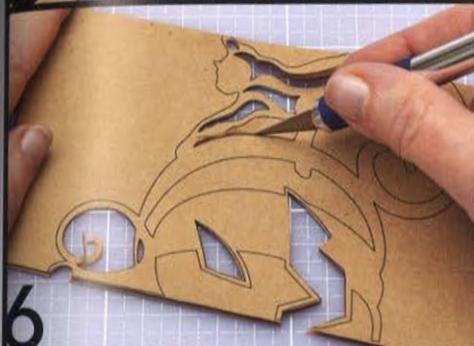
1 Turn to template 47 on page 141. Measure the width of the template and then mark this point on your chosen paper. Using this mark as your guide, fold your chosen paper accordion style (see page 13) as many times as desired. I would recommend cutting through a maximum of eight layers of paper at a time.

2 Use one of the methods on page 16 to transfer the template to your chosen paper. This way you will not have any extra layers or templates to contend with. Alternatively, photocopy the template or access using the QR code and print onto regular printer paper, and tape to the paper. Whichever method you use, position the template so it lies flush against both edges of the paper. From here we have removed the template for clarity.

3 Using a craft knife on a cutting mat, start by cutting the pumpkin's eyes and mouth.

4 Cut the pumpkin's stem. Start from the top with the semicircle on the fold line and work outward and downward.





5 Leave the rest of the pumpkin uncut and move onto the cat. Cut out all the inside shapes of the cat's silhouette.

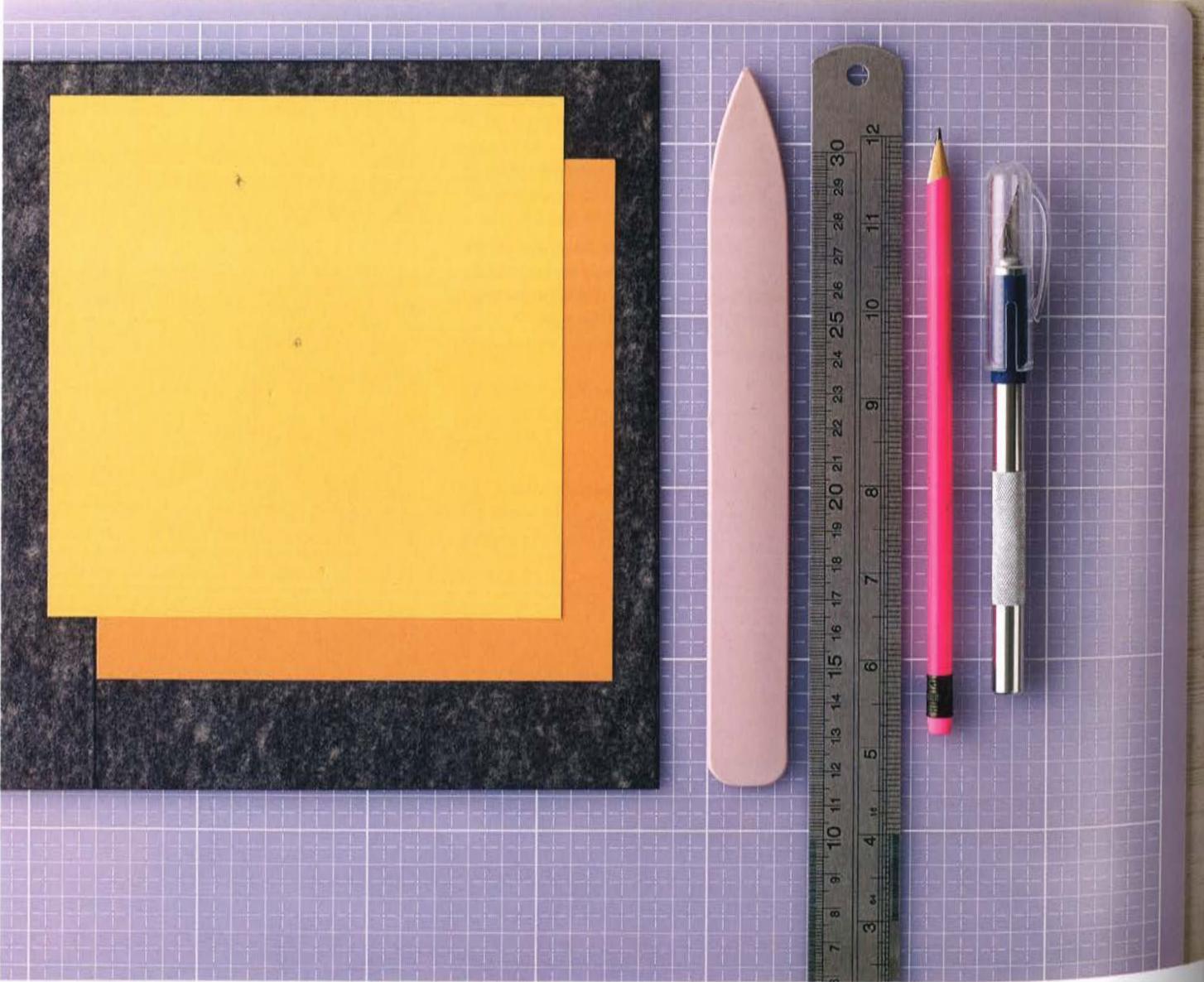
6 Cut out the hollows between the cat and the pumpkin. When cutting along the cat's tail, move the paper around as you cut to better follow the line.

7 Cut the two stripes on the pumpkin. Start with the one closest to the cat.

8 Now cut carefully around the outline of the papercut.

9 Unfold the papercut chain to reveal the design. Use clear sticky tape to connect multiple chains together to create one long chain that can go around the room.







TEMPLATE 47
Halloween
Paperchain,
pages 80-81



TEMPLATE 48
Paperchain
variation,
pages 80-81

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