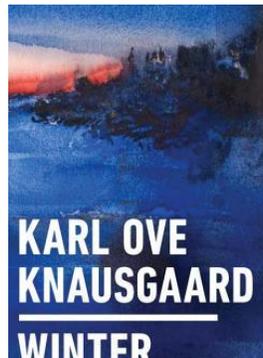
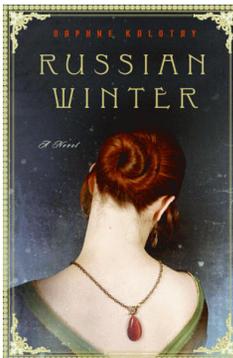
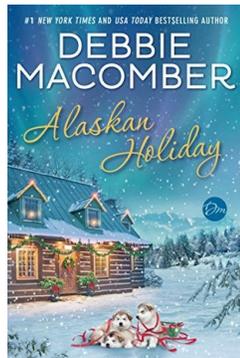
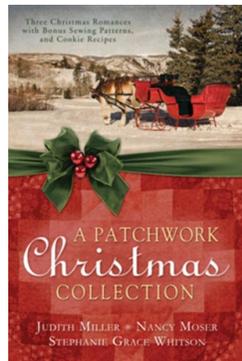
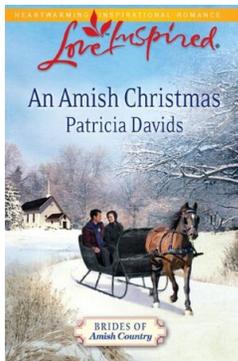
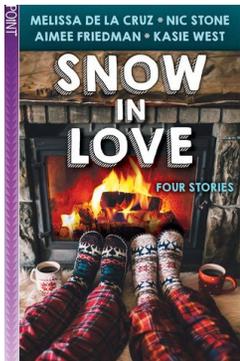
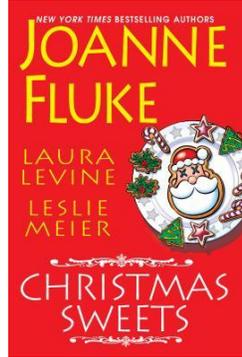
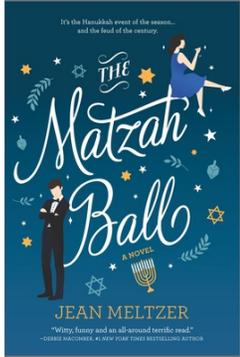


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From Craft Kit:

- A paperback book
- Ribbon to decorate the tree (optional, but provided)

From Home:

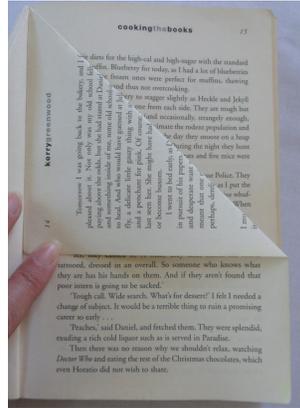
- A sharp blade, such as scissors, an exacto knife, or a paring knife.

Steps to Make Folded Book Tree:

1. Fold the right hand corner of the page down to the spine of the book, as far as it will go. You want a nice sharp fold at the top of the spine where the page is attached.

2. Fold the page in half again. use your fingernail to create a sharp crease.

3. There will be a small amount of paper hanging over the edge of the book. You can either use the edge of the book to crease the page, unfold the page, tuck the triangle up towards the center of the page along the crease that you made, and refold the page. Or as pages build up, it may be easier to tuck the piece into the folded pages, instead of unfolding it.



Steps Continued:

4. Continue folding pages in this manner until you feel you have enough pages for a tree, or until you cannot easily fold any more.

4. Bend the spine back and carefully cut down the spine of the book.

5. Your tree should be able to stand on it's own in a conical shape. Gluing the first and last pages shouldn't be necessary, but you can experiment with twisting the top or gluing and molding until it sits how you want it to.

6. Use ribbon to tie a bow at the top, make a garland, or whatever you decide!

Tips:

1. Use a clothespin or other clip to hold sections of pages out of the way of where you are folding.

2. Place the book you are working on on top of a large dictionary or encyclopedia, and let gravity pull the folded pages out of your way.

