

Make a ~ “*homelife*” Sketchbook ~

Create an ~ AVATAR ~ to explore your world

Today you will make a sketchbook with 7 pages - one for each day of the week!
You will be creating an environment for your Avatar to explore

You will need:

Sketchbook

- 7 x A4 pages
- A Needle - a large one is good
- A Cork
- Scissors
- Thread
- A Pencil
- A Ruler

Avatar

- Paper
- Sharpie or other drawing tool
- Cardboard
- Pritt stick

First you will see me draw an Avatar



AVATAR

An avatar is a representation [a picture] of you.
An avatar can be...

- A Self Portrait that looks like you
- An Imaginary Being
- Anything in Between.

When you create an avatar you can draw whatever you like!
I have drawn a picture that looks a bit like me ~ I think she might grow a tail

Make a ‘Brad Awl’ = a hole punching tool!

Get an adult to help you poke the blunt end of your needle into the cork,
You will be able to hold this tool to make holes in your paper)

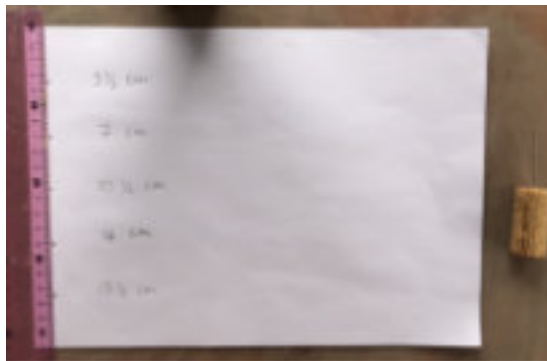


Next you will see me make my sketchbook:

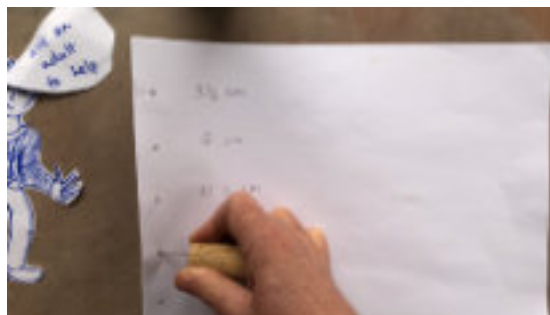


Line up your pages in a neat pile "landscape" format - so its wider than it is tall
Line up your ruler on the left side
Get your pencil and make a mark the **centre point = 10.5** cms from top and bottom
Now make marks at: You will make a hole at each of these points

- 3.5 cms
- 7 cms
- 10.5 cms (done)
- 14 cms
- 17.5 cms



Ask an adult to help you punch holes through all pages at each of your 5 marks



Unpick your needle from the cork
Cut a piece of String - measure the length of your arm (no longer or it will get tangled up)



Remove the Needle from the Cork



Measure Thread
and
Cut to the length of an Arm

Don't cut it any longer as it will get all tangled up

Thread your needle

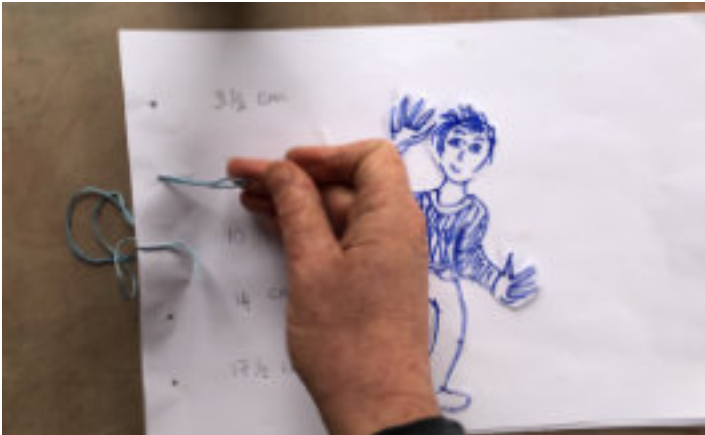


Insert the Needle and Thread into
Middle hole

Pull thread through to the back

Go back through middle hole again

Leave a tail



Bring the Needle from back of hole above the Middle ~ 7cms ~

And Loop it back through the Same hole ~ 7 cms~ like you did at the middle



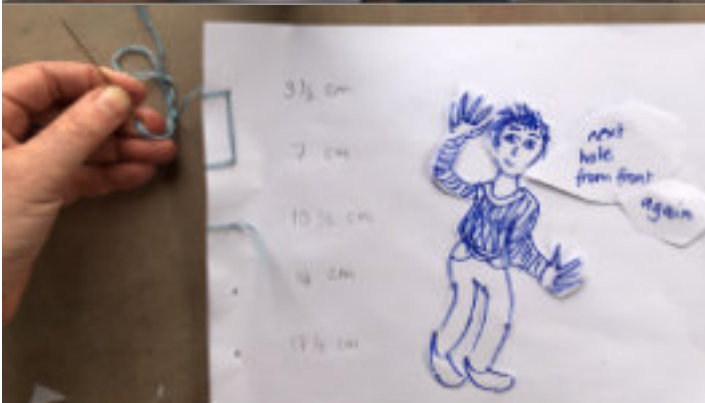
This is what it looks like on the back



Go into the next hole ~ 3.5 cms ~

This time from the front

Loop it through the same hole again like you did before

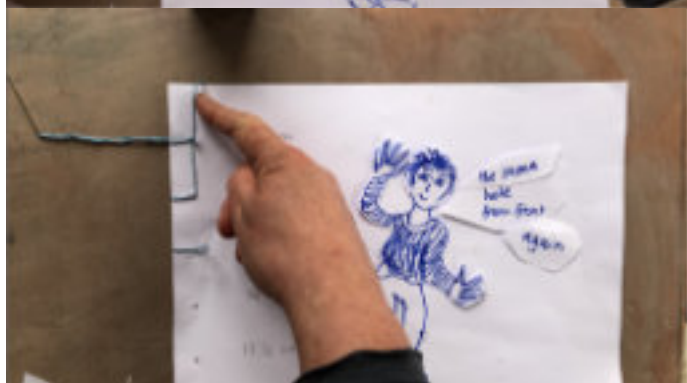


This is what it looks like

Next you will loop the thread over the top edge of the page



Loop over the top edge

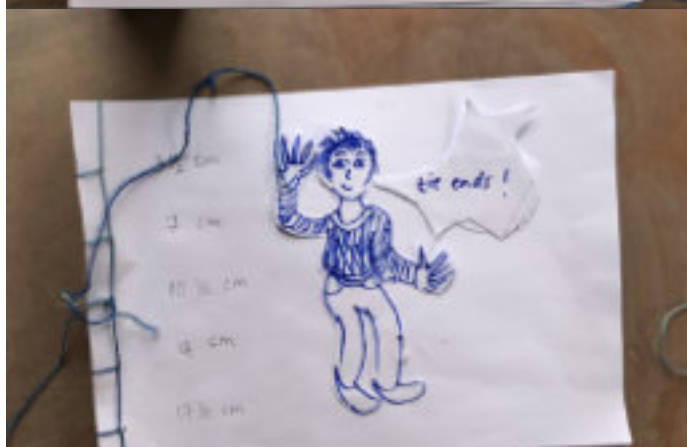


Now you need to go back down your line of stitches filling in all the gaps



You might have to cut some more thread and join it on at the middle tail just like I did

Making loops at the new holes ~14 cms~ and at ~17.5 cms~



Go down to the bottom and end up at the middle hole again

Finish at middle hole and tie ends

Now you can draw and stick your avatar onto cardboard - I used one of my cat food boxes as you can see



Cut around your Avatar, give them a name if you want, I think I might call mine “Blulee” but I’ll see how she turns out when we start exploring together, as I said I may give her a tail, just to add some animal onto the mix.

Next we will make the first page for our Avatar to inhabit.

See you then :)

In the meantime you can make a page every day however you like here are some suggestions...

Rubbings - find leaves and other interesting natural textures and create a jungle for your avatar

Create a built up cityscape using recyclables, then draw it on a page

Think about where your avatar would like to go next...

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You can upload your drawings to your **instagram** and add #crawfordartgalleryhomelife for everybody to share

I will check in there and follow any ideas you share (: we could build this # together :)