

# How to make a personal "Year in Review" mini zine

Made by the wonderful folks at  
Jones Library Teen Dept.

1) Think of 5-7 things that happened to you this year. Maybe write them down on a scrap paper if you're a planner... or just jump right in!

[*protip: If you only have 5 or 6 things, you could combine Thing#3 and Thing#4 into one big thing and/or include a back cover. If you have more things, you could divide a page into two.*]

2) Grab a 8.5x11 sheet of paper (easiest size to make copies of). It can be a physical piece of paper or you could design digitally if you want.

3) Divide it into sections (see template). You can do this mentally or draw light lines in pencil if that helps. [*protip: Don't cut it yet!*]

4) Fill it up with your 2020 accomplishments, glories, sadnesses, or whatever feels the most relevant!! You can draw, write, or collage! So many options!

[*protip: try not to put anything too important too close to any of the edges or it could get cropped off when copied or cut.*]

(See illustrator's [Malaka Gharib's Year In Review](#) for inspiration)

5) Once it's ready (and it doesn't have to be perfect -- this year certainly wasn't!), make 20 copies! If you'd like you can email us at

[abaitz@cwmars.org](mailto:abaitz@cwmars.org) and we'll make copies for you!

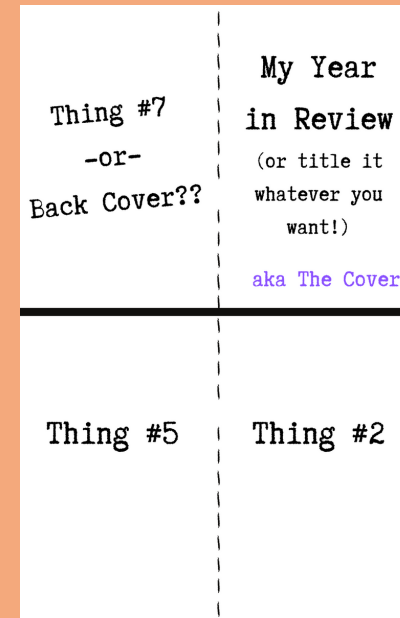
6) Once they're copied, cut the page in half (see template) and put them in order. Then fold! You can staple if you want (but you don't have to!)

7) To add a special touch, you can add stamps or stickers to the zines. Something that's kind of cool is to indicate it's a special limited run by writing "1/20" or "7/20" etc. on it

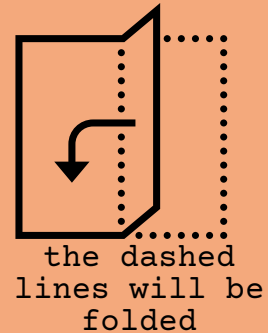
8) Give your **Year In Review mini zine** to 20 friends, family, or perfect strangers! And know in your heart that you have documented 2020 sufficiently ♥

9) If you're so inclined, we'd love to see a copy! Email or tag us!!

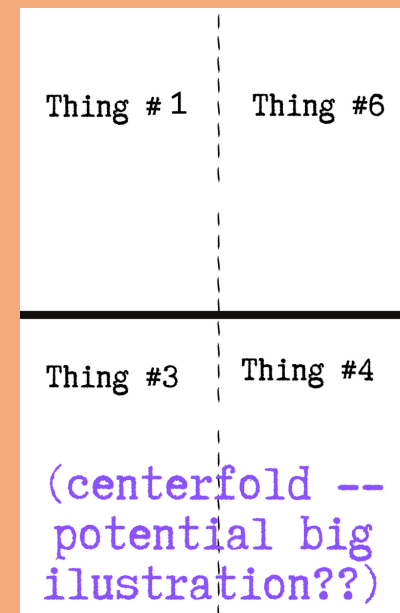
**PS-This is only one way!  
Feel free to make yours differently!**



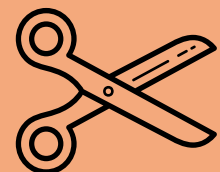
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