



Class #5- Put a Ring on it

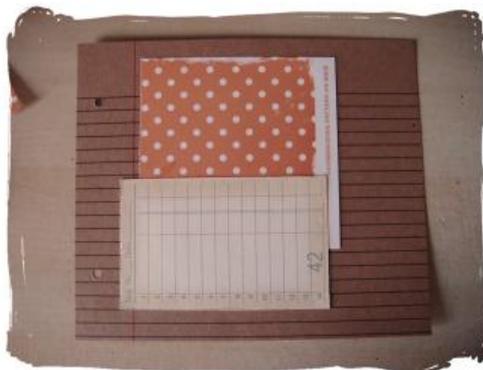
Today we're going to make a fun 'grungy' style page making our own stamped effect. We'll still be using the paint and ink as we did in class yesterday so you'll need those plus a paint brush, some water, a coffee mug or tea cup and a saucer or plate.

We'll be working with the next page in your book it should be a large, (7x8 inch) cardstock page. I used the Papermania lined kraft cardstock for mine.

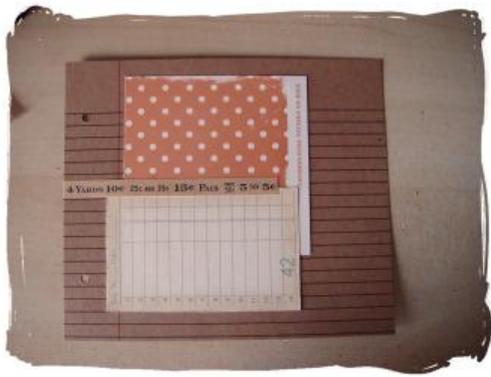


To begin with I'm going to build up my page. Now, there are two ways you can approach this yourself. You can follow my lead and build up your page first and then add your stamps or if you prefer you can add the stamps to your background and then build your page up, (add papers and your photo) over the top. If you'd rather do the latter just skip to the stamping part and then come back to this part to build up the page or carry on building up your page as you choose. If you're building up your page before stamping and not following the same process I did keep anything you add to your page flat so you still have a flat surface to stamp onto.

I've begun by adding a scrap of leftover patterned paper to the background. Then I've added one of the memo blocks, if you're not using the blocks you could use a tag instead or a piece of plain card or patterned paper.



Next I've added one of the stickers from the October Afternoon patterned sticker sheet.



In the top right corner I've then added my 6x4 photo along with two label stickers in the lower left corner of the photo.



Now we can do the fun stamping part! You'll need a cup or mug, a plate, some water and a paint brush.

I'm going to use both ink and paint although you can choose to do one or the other too it's totally up to you.

To stamp with ink you'll need a plate or a saucer. Tip some of the ink out onto the plate, you'll only need a small amount – if you're frightened of tipping too much out use a paintbrush and dip it in the ink then apply it to the plate. Mix a little bit of water into the ink using a paint brush dipping it in water and then adding the water from the brush to the ink. Swirl the watered down ink on the plate and then take your cup and dip the base rim of the cup into the ink. Make sure all the base is covered and then first press the cup onto a piece of scrap paper and then onto your page.





Add as many ring stamps as you want to. Let the ink rings dry before you stamp with paint if you're going to do both.



To stamp using paint apply the paint with a dry paint brush to the base rim of the cup. If you're using a paint dabber as I'm doing you can use the paint dabber directly to apply the paint. Remember to wash the foam a top of the paint dabber when you've done to stop it drying out.



Press the cup base onto your page to make the stamped impression just like with the ink.



All I've got left to add to this page is the journalling and I'll add that once my album has been put together at the end.

Next we still have a blank page opposite to decorate. This page is the back of the last page we decorated yesterday. To begin with I've taken one of the leftover pieces of patterned paper from putting the base book together and fixed it to the page down the center.



Next I've added the photo matching it up to the top left corner.



Next I've added some ring stamps in ink.



Then some more using paint.



To finish the page I've added a leftover strip of the Papermania card, (the same as is on the opposite page) along the bottom edge of the page. I've then added a title using stickers from the October Afternoon pattern sticker sheet and a piece of washi tape with the chipboard alphabet stickers over the top of it.



That's our next two pages finished! Put them back in your album for safe keeping.



If you're still eager to play with your ring stamps why not try it out on more projects. Have a go at making a card or another project using the ring stamp technique and add it to our Facebook wall here, <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Crafty-Templates/165349430193543>

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