3D-PRINTING A BOOKMARK

These instructions show you an easy way of designing a bookmark on the computer and printing it on the 3D printer.

Overview

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| First you create a 3D drawing of your bookmark in a CAD program. | Then you create a template fort he 3D printer in the slicer software. That translates the drawing into the printer’s language. |
| The 3D printer then receives a gcode file and reproduces that by melting plastic. | At the end you get your bookmark. |

Get started:

1. Open Google Chrome by clicking on the  symbol in the task bar.
2. Enter www.tinkercad.com in the address bar. If you are asked to log in, please call an explainer!
3. If the site is already open, click the Tinkercad logo in the top left corner.
4. Scroll all the way down to the language menu where it says “Deutsch“ and change the language to English. Now scroll back up.
5. Click the button „Create new design“. This opens the work plane you can draw on.
6. Give your design a name. Next to the Tinkercad logo you find a weird name. Click on it and enter “Bookmark” (without quotation marks) and your first name instead.
7. On the right-hand side you can see various shapes. Select the red shape “box” by clicking on it once.
8. Pro tip: if you’re already experienced in 3D modelling, you can also try using other shapes.
9. Drag the box by moving the mouse pointer to the blue work plane.
10. Drop the shape in the centre of the work plane by clicking the desired spot once.
11. Now click the small white square in the middle of the red box. The standard height of 20 mm is displayed. Change that to 1.00 mm.
12. Click one of the small white squares at the corners of the red box. Change the width (above or below the red box) to 25.00 mm and the length (to the left or right of the red box) to 70.00 mm
13. Pick the striped box from the shapes on the right and drag it to the work plane. Change the width to 16.00 mm and the length to 2.00 mm (see step 12).
14. Below the Tinkercad logo you can see a small cube. You can change the view of your drawing to looking from above if you click on the word “TOP” inside the cube.
15. Drag the striped box onto your red box, positioning it near the bottom, leaving some space to the edge of the red box. If this sounds confusing, look at the bookmark on the instructions and imagine you are positioning the bottom part of the U-shaped hole!
16. Pick another striped box. Change the width to 2.00 mm and the length to 40.00 mm.
17. Move that box right against the first striped one so they meet like the corners of a house. Make sure you make them meet properly, it doesn’t matter if they overlap!
18. Select the new box by clicking it, copy it by pressing “Strg-C” and paste it by pressing “Strg-V”.
19. Move the new box opposite the second one. It should look like the third wall of the house now.
20. Press “Strg-A” to select all parts of your design and press “Strg-G” to group them. You can see that the striped parts have been cut out of your design, they are now holes!
21. If you want, you can continue to modify your bookmark by dragging additional shapes onto the first box.
22. Every shape can be turned into a hole by clicking it and clicking “Hole” in the shape properties next to the shape toolbox. After you have added any shapes, repeat step 20.
23. If you are happy with your design, please call an explainer, who will help you finish and print your design!