## No Excuse Scrapbooking

What's stopping you from starting?

Sometimes you need a checklist or worksheet to help you get started on a new project. Use this to begin your scrapbooking journey.

Why do you want to scrapbook?

What do you want to scrapbook first?

## Photo First

- 1. Choose the photos you want to use. Up to four for a single page scrapbook layout, up to ten for a double page layout.
- 2. Plan your story. You can write the journaling now, or wait till the end, but decide how long your story will be.
- 3. Gather the scrapbook supplies you want to use.
- 4. Design your page. Use a sketch if you want, or just slide pictures and paper around till you like how it looks.
- 5. Adhere papers and photos.
- 6. Add title and journaling and embellishments.

## Story First

- 1. Decide on a story. Make notes and expand on them.
- 2. Choose photos that illustrate the photo. Those won't necessarily be from the event you are describing.
- 3. Choose scrapbook supplies that help illustrate your story.
- 4. Design your page. Use a sketch if you want, or just slide photos and paper around till you like how they look. Make sure you've got a place for your journaling.

5. Adhere elements to the page: photos, paper, journaling, title and embellishments.

Product First (Kit creation followed by page creation)

- 1. Choose an inspiration piece.
- 2. Choose three to four pieces of patterned paper and one or two pieces of solid colored cardstock based on the colors and style of your inspiration piece.
- 3. Choose alphabet stickers and embellishments based on your previous choices. You can use a single pack of embellishments, or pick a handful of individual pieces from multiple sources.
- 4. Decide on your page creation process: photos first, story first, or product first. If product first, continue here. If not, go up to the relevant process and follow the steps listed.
- 5. Decide on a design to use, and create a base page with patterned papers and cardstock, leaving places for photos and journaling.
- 6. Choose photos, and add them to your page.
- 7. Add journaling to you page.
- 8. Finish your page by adding title and embellishments.

Creating a scrapbook page is really as simple as this. You can do it!