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My “Hello Life” card allows you to tell a personal story with a combination of photos, words and images.

MATERIALS:

Simple Stories® collection kit, Tiny Attacher stapler and staples, washi tape (by My Mind's Eye), DYMO label maker, arrow stamp, black Ink, 4" x 6" Kraft colored cardstock, white cardstock, pens, Brother™ ScanNCut machine

step 1. *To make the “Hello Life” card.* Cut out the letters that spell “LIFE” using different colors of paper from the kit. For the first letter (“L”), apply the paper to the mat and insert it into the machine. Press “Patterns,” and then press the “Font” icon. Next, select the font you want to use and type the letter. When finished, press “OK,” and then change the height to 2” and press “Set.” Then press “OK,” followed by “Cut” and “Start.” Repeat for all of the letters.

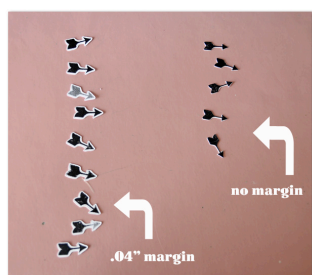
Note: Select either the low tack mat or the standard mat depending on the thickness of your papers. For thin paper, use the low tack mat.

step 2. Next, apply the 4" x 6" Kraft cardstock to the mat and insert it into the machine. Press “Patterns,” and then press the “Font” icon. Select the font you want to use, type the word “hello” and then press “OK.” Change the height to 1.5” tall and press “Set.” Position the word so it will write where you have your Kraft card placed on the mat, and then hit “OK.” Next, remove the cutting blade and holder from the machine and insert the pen into the pen holder. Once secured in the machine, latch into place. Press “Draw” followed by “Start” to have the word drawn onto the cardstock. Once the drawing is finished, remember to remove your pen and cap it.

step 3. Adhere the “LIFE” letters to the card, and then doodle and embellish as desired.



step 4. *To create the tiny arrows.* Stamp a bunch of tiny arrows onto a sheet of white cardstock and then apply this cardstock to the mat and insert it into the machine. Then press “Direct Cut” and “Start” to begin the scan. Once the scanning is finished, press “OK.” (Following this, you can either press “OK” to continue on or to add a margin around each arrow by pressing the “Margin” button. Change the outline distance to .04” and then press “OK” twice. Press “Cut” and the ScanNCut will cut the arrows out.)



step 5.

To cut out the printed tag from a piece of scrapbook paper. Apply the paper to the mat and insert it into the machine. Press “Scan” and then press “Direct Cut” and “Start” to begin the scan. Once it has finished scanning, press “OK.” Then, use the arrow handles to select only the shape you want cut out of the paper and then press “OK.” Next press “Cut” and “Start” and it will cut the tag out.



step 6.

Cutting out words. As you can see on the smoothie photo, I added the word “green.” Use the ScanNCut to cut out letters. To do this, apply the paper to the mat and insert it into the machine. Press “Patterns” and press the “Font” icon. Next, select the font you want to use and type the letters of the word that is going to be placed. When finished, press “OK.” Change the height to 1” and press “Set.” Finally, press “OK,” then “Cut” and “Start.”

