Beyond the Box – February 2025 Expressions of Kindness Kit Alternative Card 1 – Double Step Card



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Supplies:

- Card Kit: Expressions of Kindness (163905)
- Cardstock: Thick Basic White (159229), Pool Party (122924), Basic White (159276)
- Tools & Accessories: Take Your Pick (144107), Bone Folder (102300), Paper Trimmer (152392), Simply Scored Scoring Tool (122334), Multipurpose Liquid Glue (110755), Paper Snips Scissors (103579)

Measurements:

- Thick Basic White cardstock: 4 ¼" x 11", scored at 5 ½" on the 11" side
- Pool Party cardstock: 10 ¼" x 4", scored at 5" and 2 ½" on the 10 ¼" side
- Pool Party cardstock: ¼" x 4 ½"
- Basic White cardstock: Scrap piece for the butterfly die cut

Instructions:

- Create the double step card base
 - 1. Burnish the Thick Basic White cardstock at the 5 ½" score line.
 - 2. Burnish the Pool Party cardstock at the 5" and 2 ½" score lines. Fold and burnish the scores for this piece as pictured.
 - 3. Attach the Pool Party cardstock piece to the Thick Basic White cardstock piece, as pictured. The largest part of the Pool Party cardstock piece will be centered on the front of the Thick Basic cardstock piece. The remaining parts of the Pool Party cardstock piece will form a second step (mountain fold) in front.
- There are two styles of card bases that come in the kit. One has a flowery design on the front and the back. The other has a blue water-colored pattern on the front.
- Use one of the card bases, with the flowery design on the front and the back, to decorate the inside of the double step card. Cut the card base in half. Use the half that does not have the thin gold frame. Trim the piece to 3 ¾" x 5". Use the stamp set and ink spot from the kit to add the dark accents to the flowers. Adhere the piece in the center of the larger Pool Party cardstock on the larger step.
- There are two styles of envelopes that come in the kit. One is very flowery on both sides. The other has a simple single flower design on both sides.
- Use the flowery envelope to create the design on front of the smaller step. Carefully cut three sides of the envelope to get two pieces. Cut the sides that are folded together and only cut a thin strip. Cut a piece that is 2 ¼" x 3 ¾" from a piece of the envelope. Pay attention to the direction of the cut piece, as pictured. Use the stamp set and ink spot from the kit to add the dark accents to the flowers. Adhere the piece in the center of smaller step, as pictured.
- Decorate the front of the smaller step first.
- Add a thin piece of Pool Party cardstock $(1/4" \times 4 \frac{1}{2}")$ to the front of the small step. Trim the edges to make sure the piece is flush with the sides.
- The kit has punch out flowers and gold foliage accents.
- Choose the punch out pieces for decoration. They will need to be cut to size to fit on the front step. Use the stamp set and ink spot to add the dark accents to the flowers. Add the punch out pieces on the front step, allowing them to go over the top. Use a piece of tape to keep them in place.
- The kit has two different styles of punch outs for the sentiment. There are also a variety of sentiment stamps in the kit. Choose the punch out and sentiment for the card.
- Stamp your choice of sentiment on the punch out with the ink spot. Use dimensionals from the kit to add your sentiment over the thin strip of Pool Party card stock, as pictured.
- To embellish the card, add a few of the adhesive gems from the kit and a die cut butterfly. The die cut butterfly in the picture is made using Basic White cardstock and a retired die set. It is adhered using liquid glue just on the body of the butterfly.