FREE Project Sheet
(with purchase of CraZy TACKz = $1 value)

Countdown 2 Christmas *

1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15
16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24 25

Countdown to Christmas

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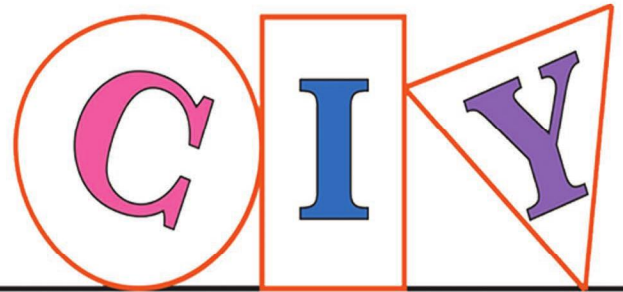
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Create It Yourself

CraZy TACKz

"a TACK with a HOOK"

| 00300 12 pcs. | 00301 12 pcs. round b/w |
| 00302 12 pcs. round wgp | 00304 12 pcs. star r/w/b | 00303 12 pcs. heart r/w/p |

CraZy TACKz

How will YOU Hook it Up?

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Countdown 2 Christmas
Advent Calendar

Supplies you will need:

CraZy TACKz® Orange Box: 2 or 3 packages containing 12 TACKz per pack
Unfinished Wooden Frame with 12" inset, one
Foamcore Board (1/4" thick): two 12" squares
12" Memory Papers: Christmas themed Cardstock (Red with dots), Plus 2 each of Green, Aqua, White, Light Blue, Orange, Red , Black
Wire Edged Ribbon: 1/8" metallic, cut 25 4" pieces.
Adhesives: a Glue Stick, low melt Glue Gun and low melt Glue.
Dimensional Medium (adhesive).
Glitter: green and silver.
Styrofoam® foam disk, 1" thick (8 to 10" wide).
Acrylic Paint: Black, Satin Varnish.
Paintbrush: 1" flat.
Paper plates, Water bucket, Paper Towels
Paper Cutter, Scissors, Personal Die-cut Machine, Cartridge with Christmas shapes and alphabet
Candy: 25 Hershey® Chocolate Nuggets (+ some extra to enjoy!)

Instructions:

Prep:
   Die-cuts: Cut one 2-1/2" Christmas shape for each day, 25 days. For this project we used a tree, snowman, Christmas Package, Ornament, Snowflake & Stocking. **Cut out & adhere** the layers for each shape. Set aside. *Variation: Use purchased themed Die-cuts or Paper Punches for this step.

   Apply Glitter to the TACKz: Hold each TACK by the hook. **Apply** Dimensional Medium to the top of the clear stopper. **Sprinkle** the glitter on the stopper, holding over a paper plate. **Poke** the TACK into a 1" disk of Styrofoam® brand foam and allow to dry thoroughly. **Repeat** for each TACK, varying the colors of the glitter.

Steps:
   1. **Match** the edges and adhere the memory paper to one piece of the 12" foam core board. Smooth out any wrinkles. Adhere this to the 2nd piece of foam core board giving it a double thickness.
   2. **Wrap** each chocolate nugget in a 1-1/4" x 3-1/4" rectangle of cardstock; adhere. Overlap and adhere the ends of one 4" piece of ribbon, making a 1/2" loop. Adhere the ribbon tails to the flat side of the chocolate, the loop extending above the chocolate. Repeat this step for each chocolate.
   3. **Paint** the frame,
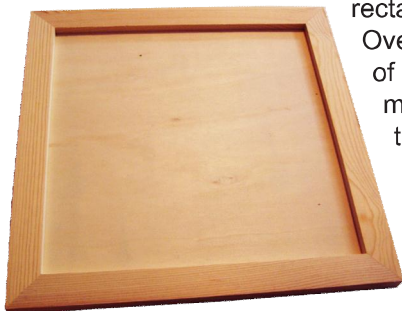
front and back, Black. Let dry. Apply a coat of Satin Varnish and let dry completely.
   4. **Glue** the foam core board into the frame. Arrange and adhere the Christmas shapes to the board.
   5. **Arrange** the CraZy TACKz® by spacing them evenly before poking them into the board. *We have a template for this step on the website: www.crazytackz.com/DIY. Otherwise, refer to the photo given as a guide. Glue the die-cut numbers to the chocolates. *Designer tip: You can also substitute purchased alphabet stickers for this step.
   6. **Adhere** the stopper of each CraZy TACKz® to the board to secure. Make sure the hook is in the "up" position. Hang numbered chocolates on the board.
   7. **Adhere** the letters to the frame spelling out "Countdown 2 Christmas."

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