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Everything that helps us to strengthen our bible teaching is a blessing!

In our classrooms we teach children with distinct types of learning. Some love to be listening, others running from here to there, others prefer to see images, others talk and talk, and some others silently meditate. There is never a lack of boys and girls who can't stay still. Therefore, our teaching-learning activities must be activities that include characteristics that appeal to everyone. The present material extracted from the Foldables book by Dinah Zike of © Macmillan / McGraw-Hill, presents an excellent option for activities with boys and girls that cover various characteristics of boys and girls and thus reinforce learning. And not only that, but it uses very economic material that encourages creativity to be developed in everybody!

May God bless you abundantly!!

With love,  
Susana Arreola

## "Foldables"

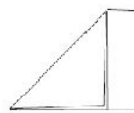
This is a technique that helps us a lot with boys and girls, it was patented by Dinah Zike of © Macmillan / McGraw-Hill.

Today we use it for Sunday School!!

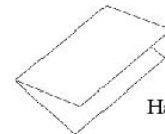
It is important that we first know the names of the basic folds to teach them and give instructions when working.

The "Foldables" that we are going to learn are:

Taco fold  
Hamburger fold  
Hot dog fold  
Burrito fold  
Two doors fold  
Valley fold  
Mountain fold



Taco fold



Hamburger fold



Hot dog fold



Burrito fold



Two doors fold

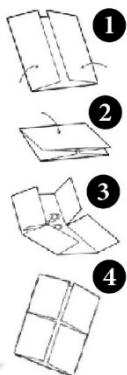


Valley fold



Mountain fold





## 1. Four-door foldable

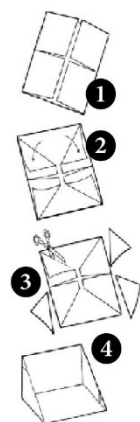
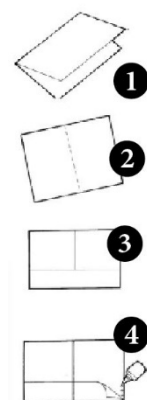
Let's start!!!

1. Do the two-door fold.
2. Then fold inward like the hamburger fold.
3. Open the foldable and cut in half only the folds of the sides.
4. These cuts will form four doors inside the book.

You can use this foldable for topics that are divided into four parts or to summarize the story with the questions: What? When? How? Why?  
And on the inside, you can do other written activities or a drawing about the story.

## 2. Pockets foldable

1. Do the hamburger fold.
2. Open the hamburger fold and fold it on the long side.
3. Make a two-inch fold to form a pocket and re-fold the hamburger fold to produce the newly formed pockets.
4. Glue the outer two inches of the edges with a small amount of glue to use as the pocket. Then you can make cards to place inside.

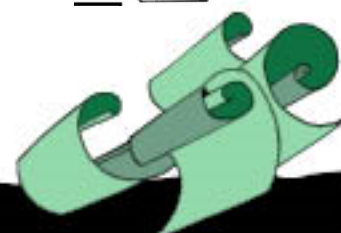
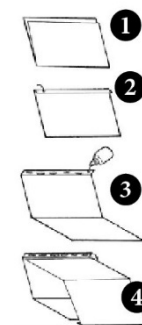


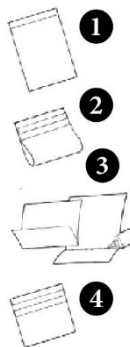
## 3. Four-door showcase foldable

1. Make a four-door foldable.
2. Fold the two inner upper corners towards the outer edges in such a way that it looks like you have a shirt collar, and then fold the lower inner corners in the same way. Then it will appear that taco folds have been formed in the corners or small triangles.
3. Cut the small triangles and discard them.
4. Fold at a 90-degree angle until you overlap the folded triangles to make a showcase, use staples or glue to join the triangles
5. Or you can choose to not cut the four triangles to serve to hold the sides without using glue or staples on the sides.

## 4. Cube display foldable

1. Use two sheets of paper of the same size. Double each one with the hamburger fold. However, fold one side one-half inch shorter than the other side. This will make an inch that you will bend out.
2. Fold the long side over the short side of both sheets of paper.
3. On one of the folded papers, place a small amount of glue along the small tab.
4. Place the unfolded edge of the second sheet of paper with the glue tab of the first sheet until it sticks. Repeat with the other side.
5. Allow the glue to dry completely before continuing. After the glue has dried, the cube can be folded to allow it to work. The cube can also be folded into four parts for easy storage or to move it to a viewing area.



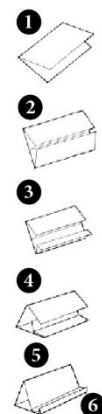


## 5. Waterfall foldable

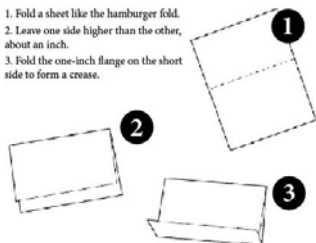
1. Place two or three sheets of paper one on top of the other so that the back sheet is one inch higher than the front sheet.
2. Bring the bottom of both sheets up and align the edges so that all the layers or tabs are at the same distance.
3. When all the sheets are at the same distance, fold the papers and crease them well.
4. Then separate to start gluing in order and stick the sheets together along the fold.

## 6. Phrases holder foldable

1. Fold a sheet of paper in half following the hamburger fold.
2. Open the hamburger and fold the two outer edges towards the center. This forms a closing fold.
3. Fold one part of the inner edge of the flange from the bottom to the outside. This fold forms a flexible "L".
4. Glue the first part of the lower folds so that a strong straight L-tab is formed.
5. Then stick the back to form a kind of tent that is the board that will hold the cards.
6. Fold the edge of the tab L up to a quarter or half to form a lip that will prevent the card from coming out of the holder.



1. Fold a sheet like the hamburger fold.
2. Leave one side higher than the other, about an inch.
3. Fold the one-inch flange on the short side to form a crease.

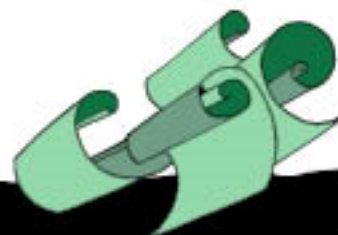
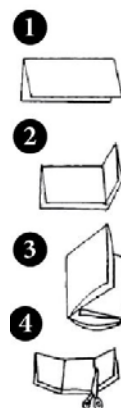


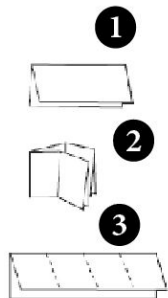
## 7. Folded tab foldable

1. Fold a sheet like the hamburger fold.
2. Leave one side higher than the other, about an inch.
3. Fold the one-inch flange on the short side to form a crease.

## 8. and 9. Two and three tabs foldable

1. Fold the sheet making the hot dog fold.
  2. With the edges down fold to the center of the sheet if you want a two-tabs foldable.
  3. Or if you want a three-tabs foldable, fold the right side until you reach the center and then fold the left side on the right side to make three sections.
  4. Open the right and left folds. Cut the two sections so that the three tabs are made.
- Options:
- Cut only one of the sections and there will be a foldable of two tabs of unequal size.
  - Use large construction paper to make a folding sheet on which more information can be recorded.



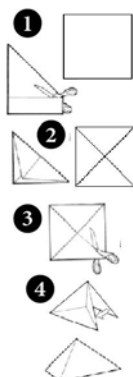
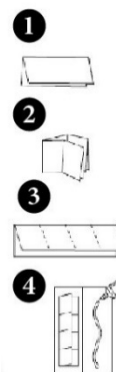


## 10. Four tabs foldable

1. Fold a sheet of paper making the hot dog foldable.
2. With the edge down bend into four vertical sections.
3. Open these folds. Cut the sections so that all of the tabs are made.

## 11. Eight tabs foldable

1. Fold a sheet of paper in the form of a hot dog.
2. With the edge down bend into four vertical sections.
3. Open these folds. Cut the three fold lines so that four tabs remain.
4. Do the same with another sheet to have two sheets of four tabs and then glue them together and you will have an eight-tab foldable!!

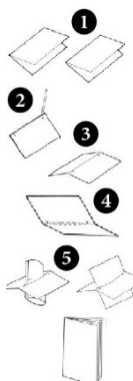
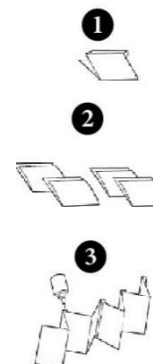


## 12. Pyramid foldable

1. Fold a sheet of paper with the taco fold. To form a square, cut off the excess rectangular paper formed by the fold.
2. Open the sheet and fold it from the opposite way forming creases into an X pattern.
3. Cut one of the folds towards the center of the X. This will form two triangular flaps.
4. Place glue on one of the flaps and glue one to the other, to form a pyramid.
5. Write data, notes, thoughts, drawings and questions on the outside of the pyramid or on the inside.

## 13. Accordion foldable

1. Fold each sheet of paper following the hamburger fold but leave one side an inch shorter than the other side. This will form a half inch long tab.
2. Fold this tab forward on the shortest side and then fold it back again, do it with each sheet.
3. To form an accordion, glue the tab on one sheet to the side without a tab on the other sheet.



## 14. Cubed foldable

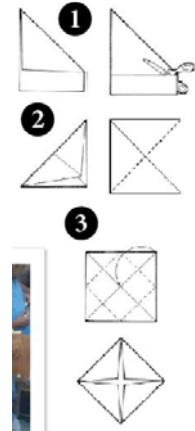
1. Take two sheets of paper and separately fold them following the hamburger fold.
2. On one of the sheets, use a ruler measure to mark one sixteenth of an inch from the corner of each side. Cut a small opening from the corner along the fold to the marked point.
3. On the second sheet mark an inch from the edge of the corners.
4. On the second sheet cut from the first mark to the second, along the edge. Look at the dotted line of the image.
5. Take the cut sheet from step 2 and fold it like a burrito. Place the burrito through the other sheet, rotate it, and then open the burrito.



6. Fold the linked pages in half to form an eight-page book.

## 15. Envelope foldable

1. Fold a sheet of paper with the taco fold forming a square. Cut off the excess paper to have only a square.
2. Open the folded sheet and bend it the other way. This will form an X in the creases.
3. Open the taco and fold the corners towards the center point of the X, forming a small square.



## About the author

Susana Arreola, affectionately called Susy, is a happy Guatemalan and the oldest sister of six brothers. She received the Lord when she was seven and at the age of twelve she had an even more personal encounter with Him. Since then she has served the Lord in distinct roles in the church. She fell in love with Children's Ministry and worked for 22 years in that ministry. She worked in the nursery, Sunday school for children, and then with teenagers, finally becoming the general coordinator of the ministry. She also oversees holiday schools and camps, and currently works with Children Are Important. Susy has a master's in educational management and is a school principal. She also works with the Milk and Honey Project to bring the word of the Lord to vulnerable children in needy areas of their city, Villa Nueva. She is single, loves to travel, loves nature and is a tireless dreamer.



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