This strategy allows students to create a book based on a topic of study. The students write the topic on the top step. Then they list five or more important facts on each of the remaining steps and illustrate them. This activity is wonderful for writing directions, character descriptions, and timelines.

1. Take 3 sheets of 8 _ x 11 paper and overlap them leaving a 1-inch margin at the bottom of each page.

2. Hold the pages securely so that they remain overlapped. Then fold the top section down so that each step is about 1 inch in length, and tightly crease.

3. Staple through all the layers.

4. At this point you can add a cover from construction paper with the title written on it, or write the title of the topic on the top step.