

- MUSIC
- MOVIES
- COMICS
- BOOKS!
- VACATIONS
- SCHOOL
- PETS
- PASSES
- MOST embar-
- JOKES
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- FOODS
- Mini mant-
- CRAZY things
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Zine Topic Ideas

Zine Writing Styles

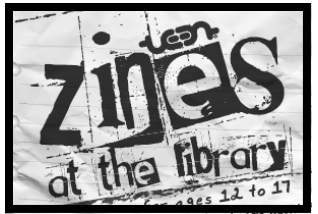
- rants
- fiction
- Poetry
- Diary/journal
- reviews
- non-fiction/ articles
- interviews
- art

1. Look at all of our sample zines for ideas and inspiration!
2. The Dreaded Pre-writing Exercise – Picking a Theme or Topic
Look at our list of sample ideas and think about what you would like to write about. Remember that old adage: write what you know! What are you passionate about?
3. Pick a size for your zine
Standard 1/2 page size is the easiest to copy and put together, but you can make a zine in any size or format.
4. Figure out how many pages you might need.
We recommend a cover page and 2 or 3 white pages for your first zine.
5. Fold your cover and inside pages, then number the pages.

If your zine is about a controversial topic or if you just want to keep your privacy then you may want to make your zine **Anonymous!**

6. Write, draw and create your zine
7. Make copies!
The library would like a copy of your zine to display and possibly use to create a zine collection. If that's OK with you, please give the librarian a copy of your creation! Librarians show you all of the copier tricks! If you need to finish your zine at home, you can come back to the library with your special coupon to make more copies of your zine!
8. Collate and staple your zine
If you don't have a long arm stapler, you can open your stapler (like you would to staple something to the wall) and staple your zine flat on top of a thick stack of newspaper.
9. Promote and distribute around town and your school!

How to Make



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