



## Me: The Abridged Version

### Master Supply List

**Please note:** this is an 8 1/2" x 11" project. Students are welcome to convert files to fit into a 12" x 12" page size, but the album supplies are listed based on the album project I'm presenting.

**Important:** When you register, I will share with you a sample page from my album to help you plan your choices of cardstock, patterned paper, etc.

**To prepare for Cathy's class, please gather the following supplies:**

**Scrapbook.com** has created a **custom kit** for this class. It includes the American Crafts brown album, one package of page protectors, and one 25 sheet pack of white cardstock. **[Click here for details.](#)**

If you are interested in purchasing this kit but notice that it is out of stock, please sign up for email notification at **[scrapbook.com](#)**. Our friends at **[scrapbook.com](#)** will email you when the kit is ready for you to order!

*Depending on how you print your journaling templates and tag book, you may need to purchase an additional package of white cardstock.*

- one 8 1/2" x 11" album (I used the **[American Crafts Corduroy D-Ring Album](#)** in **[brown](#)**) I will provide a logo art file to place in the front window of this style of album.
- 14 **[8 1/2" x 11" page protectors](#)** (The AC album comes with ten, so you will need four more.)

- 26 sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" white or other light-colored cardstock to print out your journaling entries. I am using **Bazzill orange peel texture white cardstock**. Please keep in mind this cardstock only comes in packs of 25 sheets. (You have the option to fit two entries onto a single sheet with a class template I will provide to save paper, meaning you would only need 13 sheets of cardstock.)
- 28 sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" cardstock to use as the backgrounds for each page in this album. The background cardstock should go well with your choice of patterned paper and your alpha block squares. In my album I am using **Bazzill kraft colored cardstock**.
- five sheets of your choice of patterned paper to use in this album. (We will cut them up and use them throughout.)

**NOTE:** *if you are using a patterned paper with a strong directional pattern (such as striped paper) you may want to get extras of those sheets. We will be using every inch of our patterned paper, both vertically and horizontally. If you like your stripes to be going in the same direction, you'll need a few extra sheets to ensure this. (The pieces of patterned paper at the bottom of the design will be cut from leftover pieces once the larger swaths of paper are trimmed.)*

- six to ten sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" photo paper or white or light colored cardstock for students using Photoshop or Photoshop Elements to print their alpha blocks and page title element onto a slicker surface. Note: photo paper simply gives a crisper, richer color.
- five sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" cardstock to print and create the downloadable tag book/idea jotter for the class pre-work assignment. In my tag book I am using the **Bazzill orange peel texture white cardstock**.
- 52 photos, cropped to 3" x 3", to use for illustrating up to two entries on each album page. (You will choose or take photos once class begins, as you write your entries.)
- three smaller photos to include on the title page, each cropped to 2 3/8" x 2 3/8".

### Optional Supplies:

- three sheets of 12" x 12" cardstock in your choice of color to coordinate with your patterned paper and letter stickers, alphas or stamps for those scrapbookers who do not own Photoshop Elements and who will make their 3" x 3" alpha blocks traditionally.
- Stamp inks, paints, other embellishments. You have total creative freedom when it comes to dressing up your pages. I used brown stamp ink from **Tim Holtz** to ink the edges of all my cardstock and patterned paper.

## Computer Requirements:

- **Software:** you MUST have one of the following programs to use the templates: Adobe Photoshop Elements, Adobe Photoshop and Microsoft Word. Journaling templates will ONLY be available in these programs. **Note:** you may use other software to create your album pages using the measurements and information provided, but the classroom will only contain templates in these formats. Digital instruction will ONLY be given using Photoshop Elements 8.0.

**Note:** students who have PS or PSE will also be able to use customized, digital alpha blocks for use on their album pages. We will change the block colors to match your album, as well as the font used on the alpha blocks. Students who do not have PS or PSE may simply use colored cardstock and any number of alphabet products to create each alpha block for their respective album pages.

Students who have PS or PSE will also be able to use the six-photo printout templates I have designed to use in printing out photos from home. (All the photos in this project, minus those on the title page, are 3" x 3".)

**Digital scrapbookers:** I will provide fully layered digital .psd templates to create ALL of the album pages.

- **A regular format photo/ink jet printer.** I used an HP Photosmart Photo Printer to print out all of my key components (journaling entries, alphabet square for each page). You will need a similar type of printer that you are comfortable using and one that can print on 8 1/2" x 11" paper.

**Please note:** All class instruction on digital template components will be given using Photoshop Elements.

If you do not own PSE, you can download a free, fully functional 30-day trial from Adobe (<http://www.adobe.com/products/photoshopelwin/>) to make pages and learn the ropes. I would suggest waiting to download until we start building pages in the workshop, which will not be in the first week!)

Preclass questions? Email me at [czmetav@comcast.net](mailto:czmetav@comcast.net).



**Now that you have your list, here's what to do!**

- First, shop your stash! At Big Picture Scrapbooking, substitution is encouraged! We hope you'll adapt this supply list to make use of what you already have on hand.
- Support your local scrapbook store! If you need to go shopping, take this printed list with you (after you've crossed off or marked everything you already have at home, of course).
- If you prefer the convenience of shopping online, we encourage you to visit our partners at [scrapbook.com](http://scrapbook.com) for your supply needs.
- If you're new to scrapbooking, welcome! Our friends at scrapbook.com have created a fabulous selection of basic supplies that Big Picture Scrapbooking recommends for all scrapbookers. To see our store and selection of basic supplies available individually or as a kit, [click here](#).