# MAKERY PROJECT: Vinyl Pantry Labels

TIME: 2 hours

SKILL: Intermediate

Get organized by making custom labels for your closet, pantry, or garage! You'll learn to use the Cricut Maker 3 to cut text and designs out of adhesive vinyl.

**Note:** Children younger than middle school must be directly supervised by an adult.

COST FOR VINYL/TRANSFER TAPE: \$1.00 per sheet



#### Materials You Need to Bring



**CONTAINERS** 

### **Equipment Provided in the Makery**







ADHESIVE VINYL

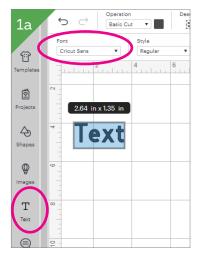


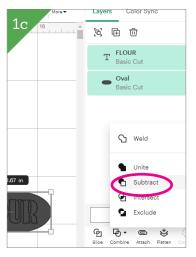
TRANSFER TAPE

### TIPS:

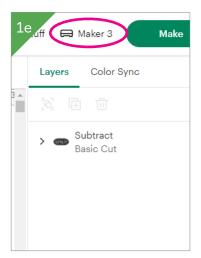
- If this is your first time using Cricut Design Space, you'll need to create an account.
   Save time and set up your design files at home before you come to the Makery!
- When choosing a font to use in Cricut
   Design Space, choose one from the **System** tab-- they're all free!



















# **DESIGN:**

- Open a new project in Cricut Design Space. In the left-hand panel, select **Text** to create a text box and type in your word or phrase.
- b. In the left-hand panel, select **Shapes** and add an oval. Click and drag to resize the oval so that it is larger than your text. You may want to rearrange the layers in the right-hand panel so that the text leyer is above the oval layer.
- c. Arrange the text and the oval on top of each other. Then, with both the oval and the text selected, select Combine in the right-hand panel, then Subtract.
- d. Use the bounding box to adjust the size of your design as needed, or enter the exact dimensions under **Size** at the top of the screen.
- Repeat these steps for each of the labels you wish to make. Then, check that you've selected the correct machine (Cricut Maker 3) in the upper right corner and click Make!

## CUT:

- a. Connect and turn on the Cricut Maker 3. In Design Space, click Continue. Select Vinyl as your material.
- **b.** Adhere a sheet of adhesive vinyl to a Standard Grip cutting mat with the colorful side facing up.
- From here, follow the instructions given by the software. You will first need to guide the mat into the machine and press the flashing arrow button to load it.

### 3 PREP:

- a. When the Cricut has finished cutting, press the flashing arrow button to unload the mat.
- b. Remove the vinyl from the mat. Peel off and discard the unwanted areas of the vinyl, leaving the design itself stuck to the backing. You will need a weeding tool to scrape off smaller areas (such as letters).
- c. Cut a piece of transfer tape that is larger than your design. Peel the tape off of its backing. Carefully lay the tape over your vinyl design, ensuring there are no air bubbles between the vinyl and the tape. Use a squeegee to firmly adhere the tape to the vinyl.

### APPLY:

Peel the transfer tape off of the backing; the vinyl design should now be stuck to the tape. Place the tape onto the clean surface of the container. Rub over the vinyl to adhere it to the surface, then peel off the tape!







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