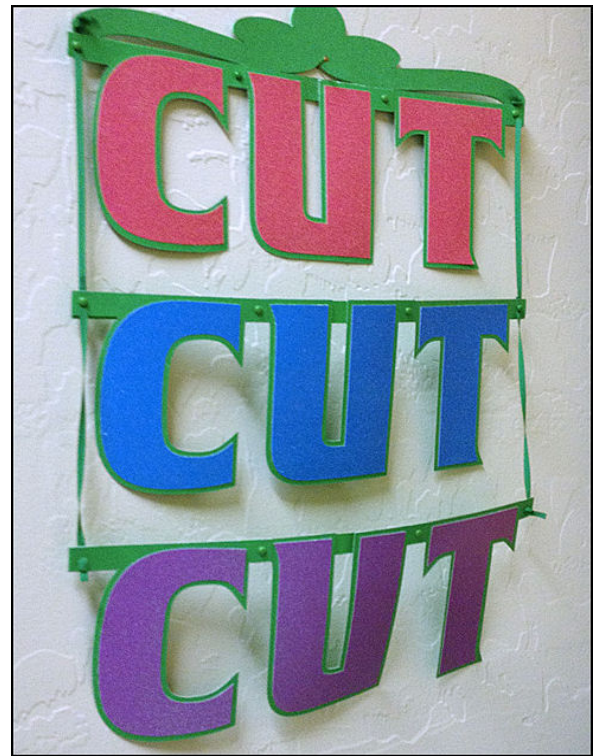
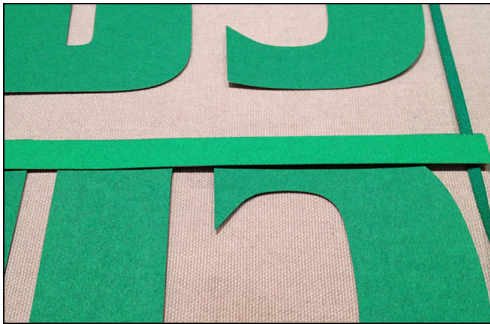
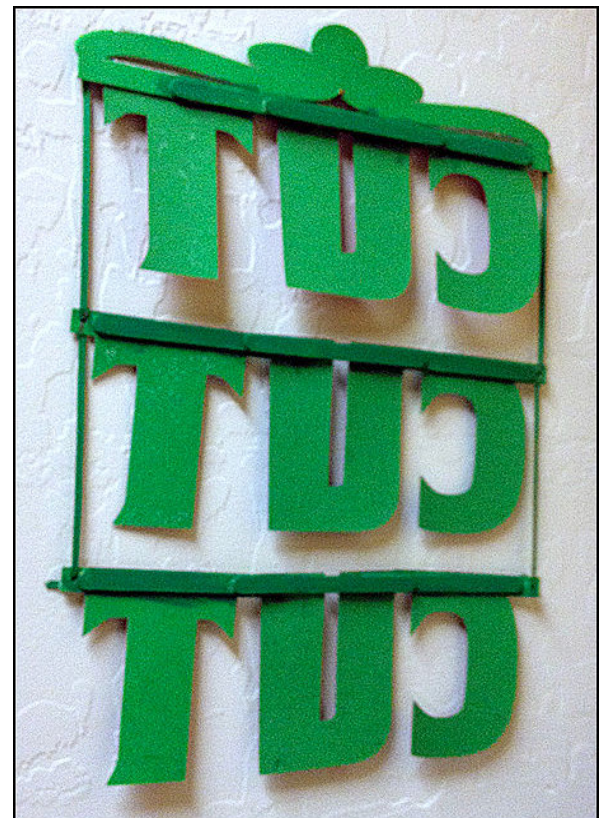


The Cut-Cut-Cut Banner was created with a heading to support 2 rows below that were attached with ribbon. The top heading consisted of 4 identically cut shapes of poster board and then glued together. Each row was supported by 3 strips of poster board glued in place for stability. Initially it looked and hung beautifully, but after hanging about 6 weeks, it began to look like the picture on the right.

It was obvious that I needed to improve on the stability of all the rows, so I turned it over and removed any of the strips that were loose. The top was okay, but the bottom 2 rows were loose.



I glued popsicle sticks on the back side of all 3 horizontal rows with the connecting letters. Next, I painted the sticks with a matching green acrylic paint. This solved the bowing problem and gave me the stability that my banner needed. Just one thing...notice that I didn't get the purple 'U' exactly straight on the redo. I didn't notice until all was completely dry, so I decided that I would leave it a reminder to do better next time.





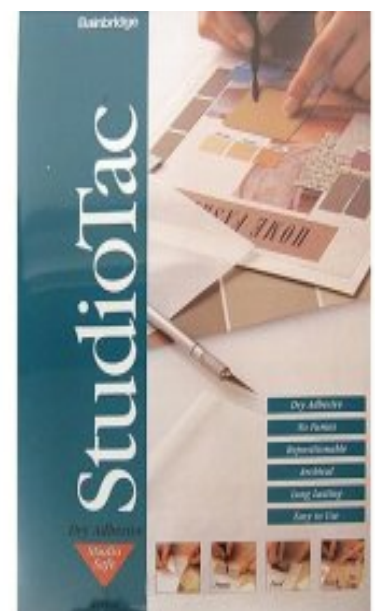
Reinforced, final CUT-CUT-CUT Banner



Favorite Products used for Attaching the 2 Layers of the Alphabet:

1. Fabric Application -  
Lite Steam-A-Seam2

2. Cardstock Application -  
CraftTac or StudioTac



I especially like these because there is no glue leaking out on the border.