



Intro to zines

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Mythical Type

Zines inspired by:

- Sci-fi topics
- Conversations with friends and family
- Everyday observations



Today's workshop

- Brief overview of zines
- Brainstorming activity
- Make a zine!

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Some background

What's a zine?

- From the word “magaz**ine**”
- Self-published booklet
- Often printed in small batches (DIY)
- Self-expression on any topic
- Passion over profit

What goes in a zine?

Anything that can be printed!

- Personal experiences
- Poetry
- Reviews
- Fiction
- Drawings
- Photography
- Collages
- Comics

Common zine sizes

Half page: Sheets of paper folded in half to make a booklet.

One zine page = half the sheet of paper.



@fiveoclockzine

Common zine sizes

Quarter page: Sheets of paper cut in half and then folded in half to form a booklet.

One zine page = one fourth/quarter sheet of paper.



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Common zine sizes

Mini: Anything smaller than a quarter-page zine.

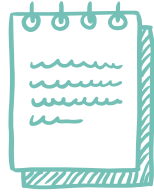
An 8-page mini zine is folded from one sheet of paper.



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Brainstorming



Using lists

to generate ideas for zines

Lists at different depths

Broad idea

More specific

Even more specific

List examples

**Favorite music
genre**

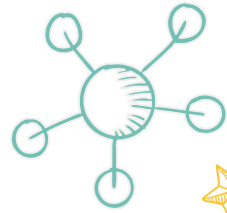
**Songs you love
listening to**

Playlist for a road trip

Favorite foods

Favorite recipes

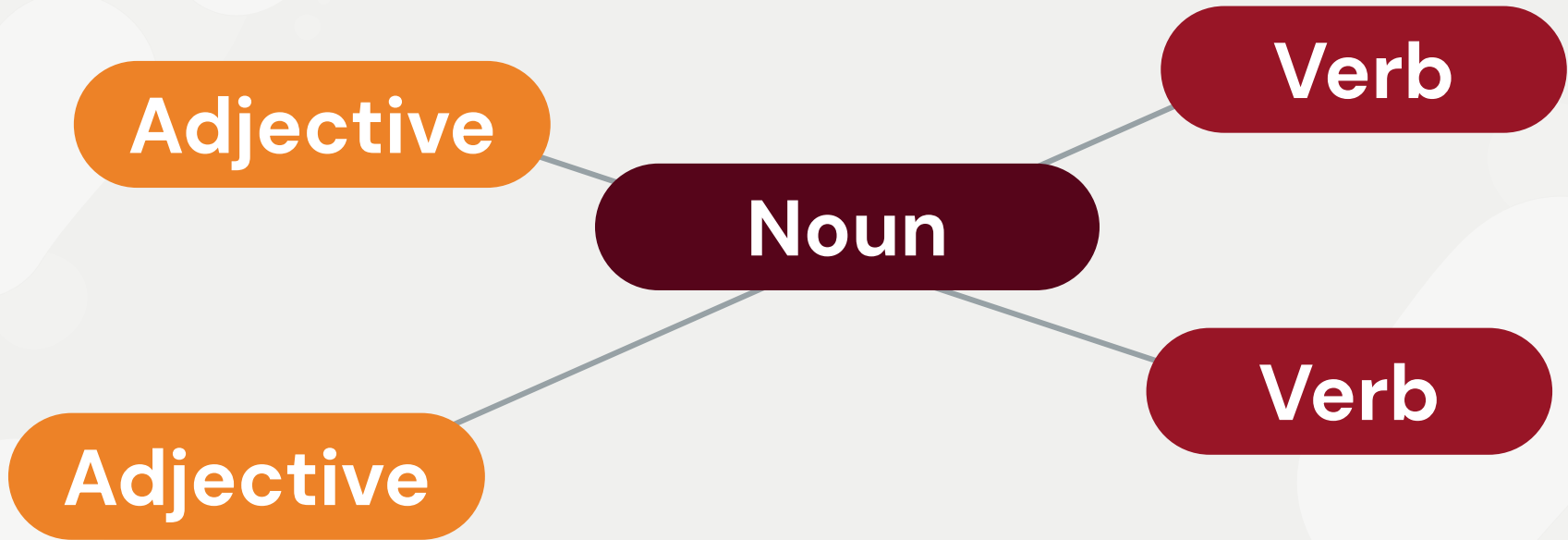
**Favorite holiday
recipes**



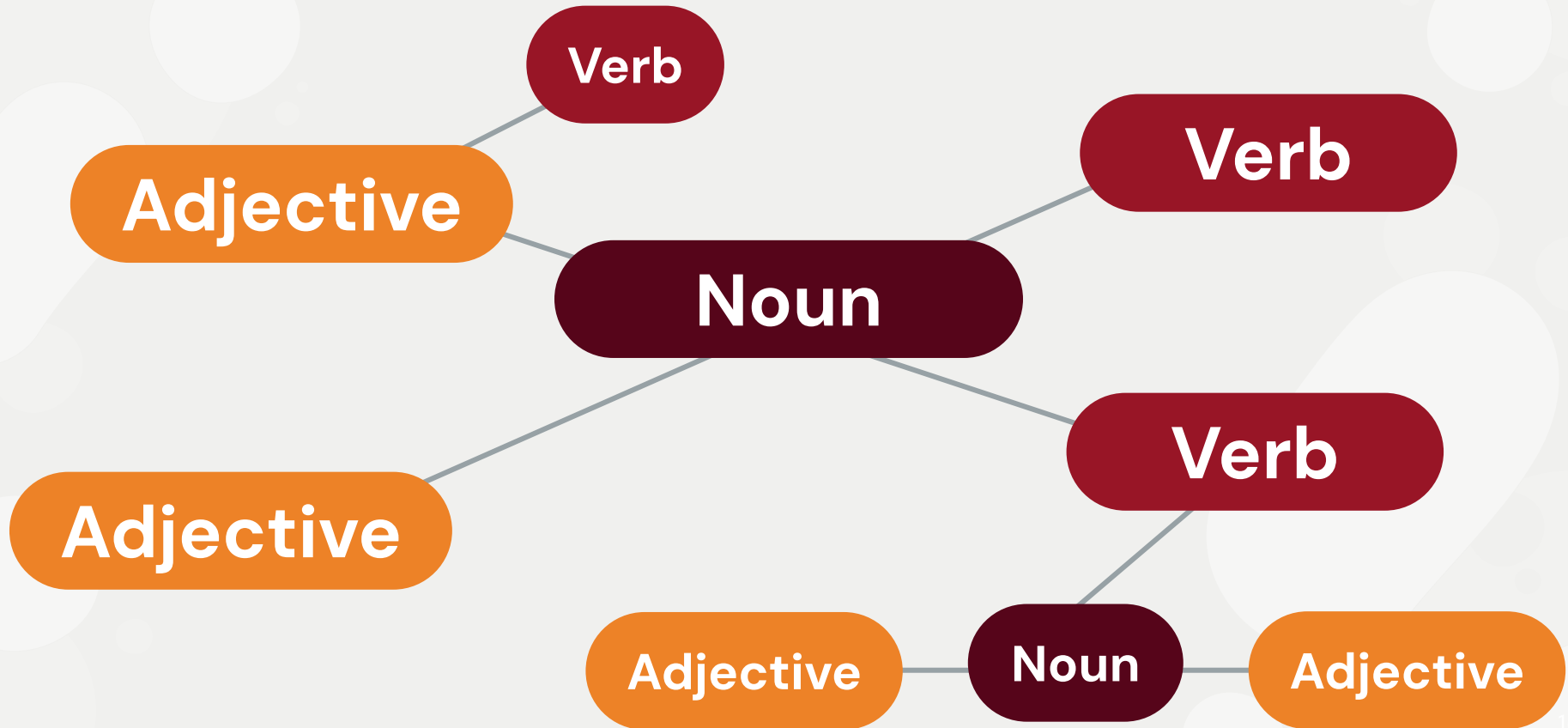
Using word webs

to generate ideas for zines

Sample web structure



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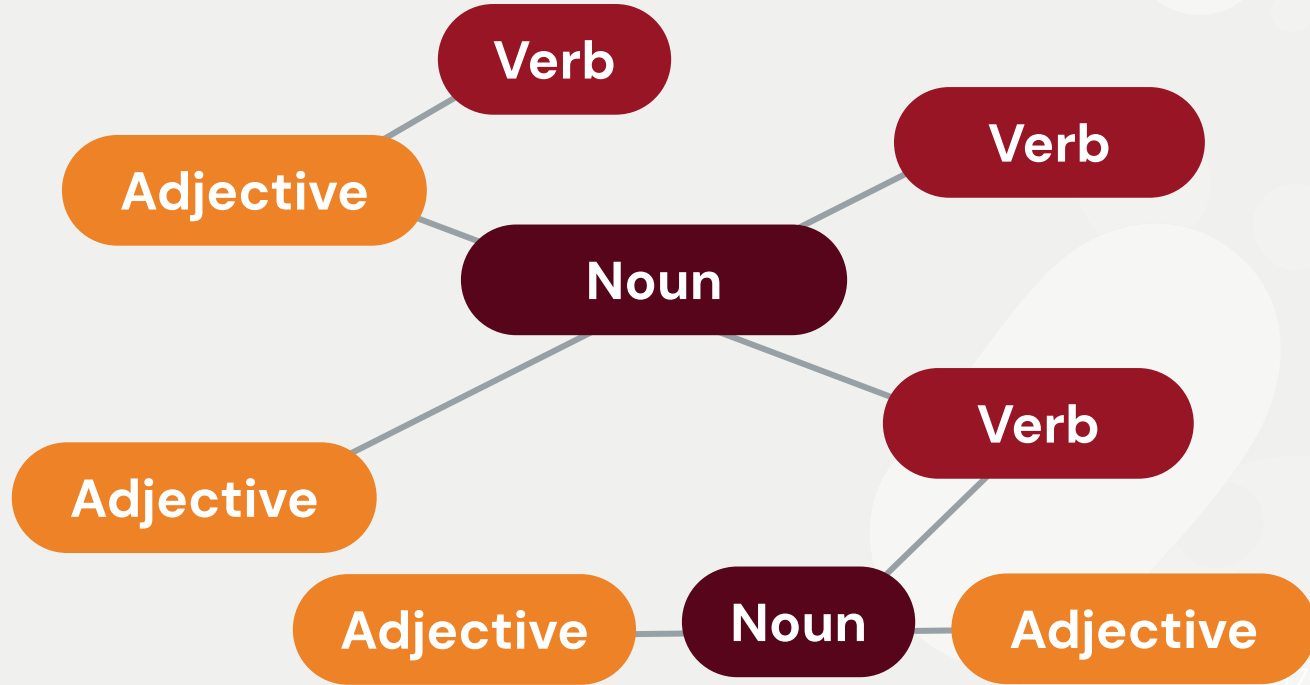


Let's brainstorm!

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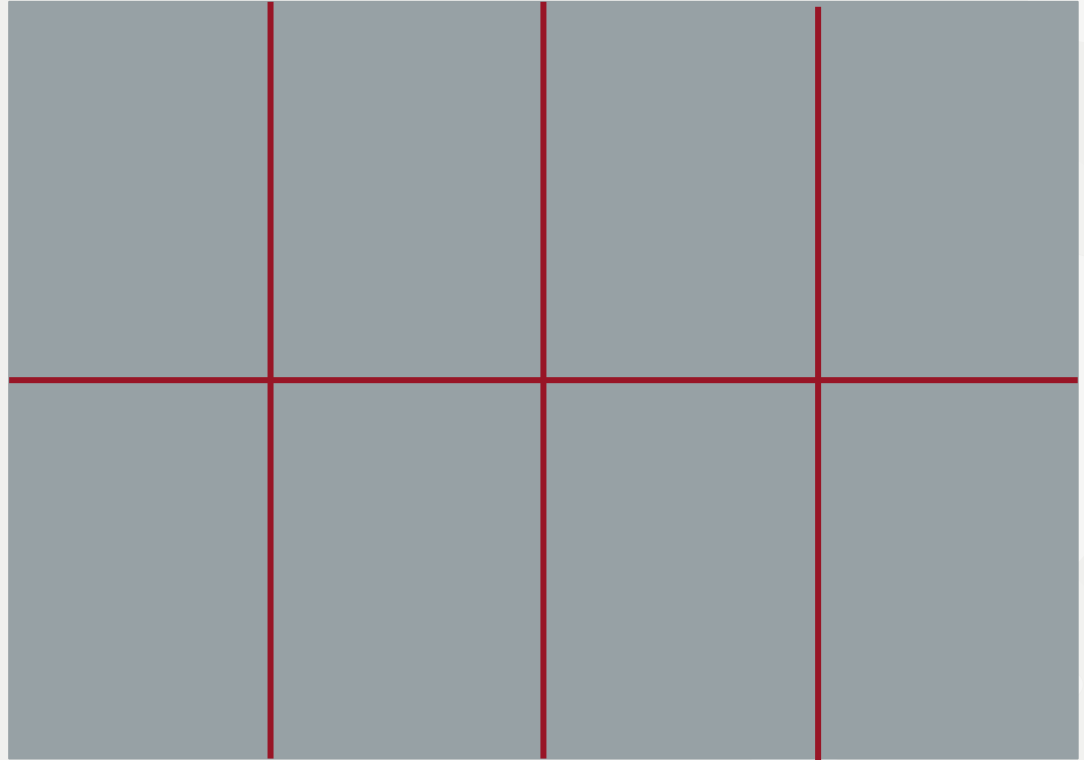




Let's make a zine!

Folding an 8-page mini zine

1. Fold the paper in half vertically and horizontally.
2. With the paper folded in half (hamburger style), fold each flap back to the crease.
3. Unfold back to hamburger style.

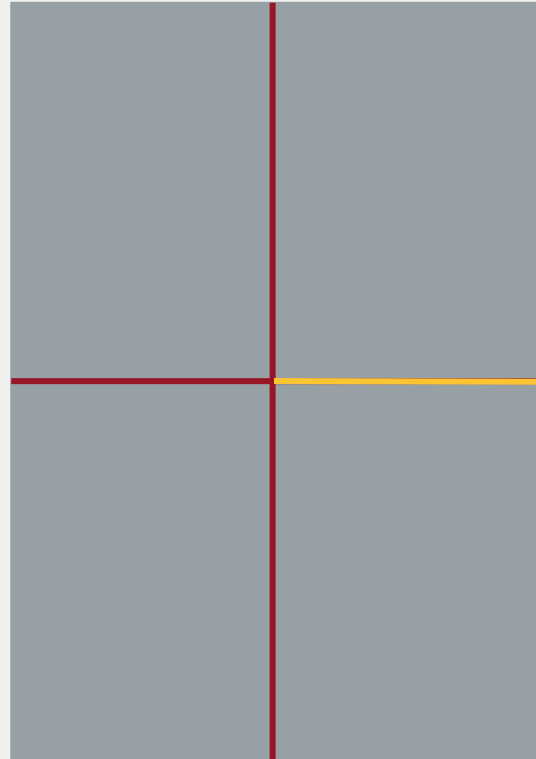


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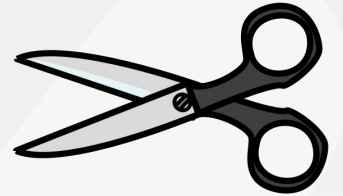
4. Use scissors to cut from the crease side, halfway across.

5. Unfold and fold back to vertical (hot dog style).

Open flaps



Crease side

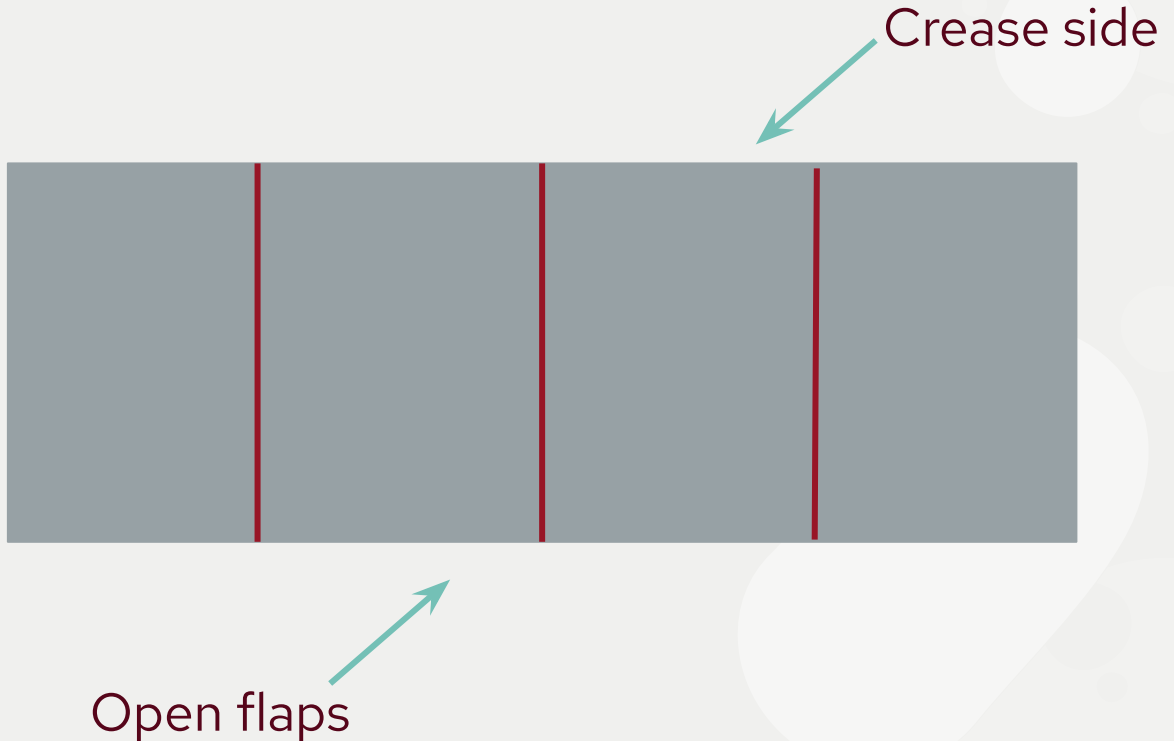


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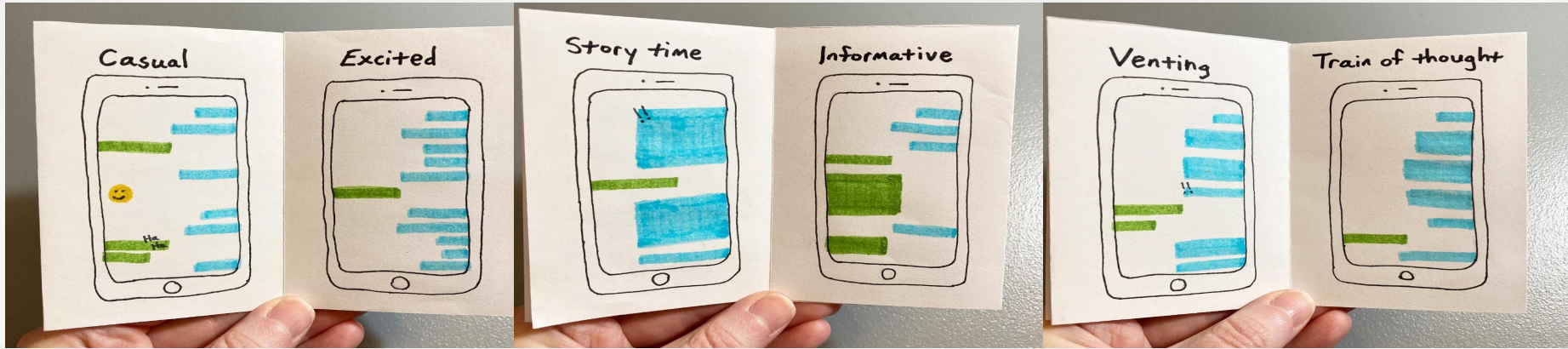
6. Hold the paper with the crease side at the top.

7. Push from the sides, so that the middle panels push out.

8. Fold the middle panels to create a booklet.



Time to make a zine!



If you post your zine to Instagram, please tag me (@kali.kambo) and @lancasterzinefest (and use hashtags: #lancasterzinefest, #lzf).

We'd love to see your work!

Thanks!

Thank you for coming to this workshop!

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