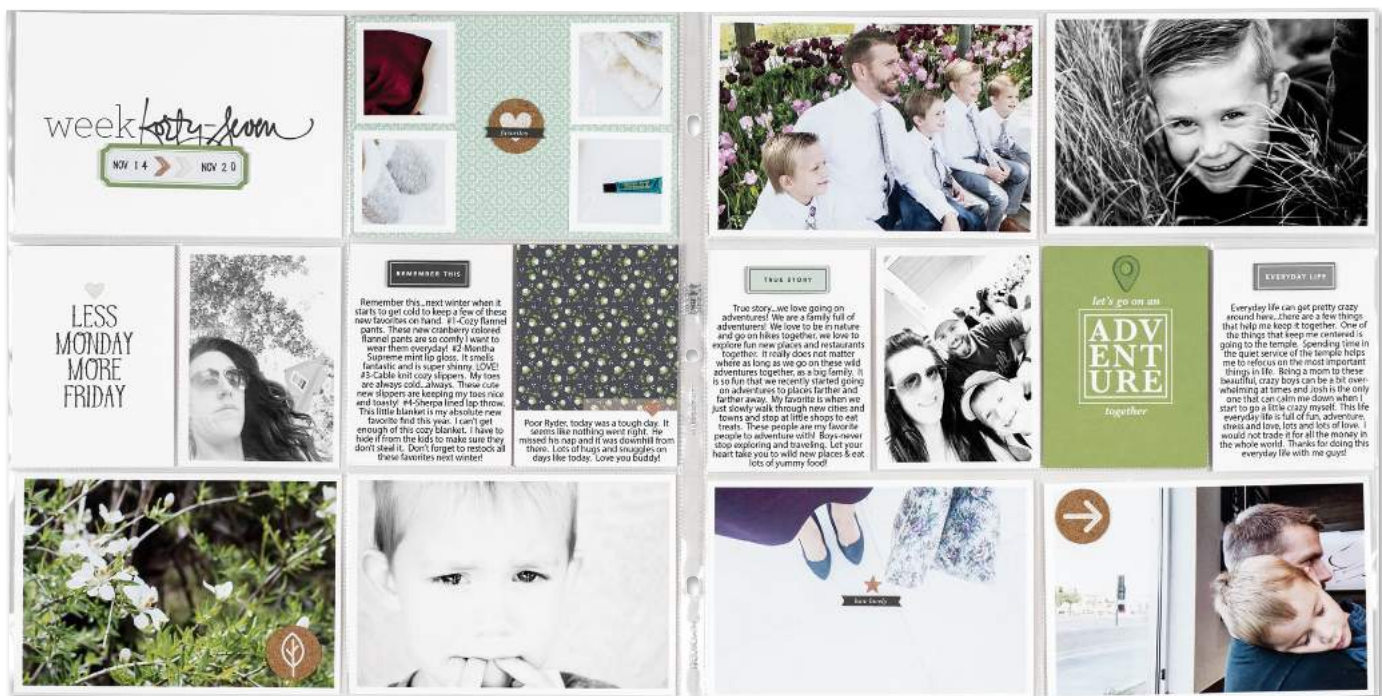


# pocket play

Short on time? Get creative ideas to make the most of your pocket pages. BY CANDACE PERKINS

*I* love creating pocket pages, and there's nothing I love more than looking through past creations. I love that all our "little" family moments are documented on these pages—the everyday moments that I would forget if they weren't captured in my pocket albums.



## TIPS

**POCKET TIP #1: Create a visual triangle with your embellishments.** By creating a visual triangle with the round cork stickers, it forces the eye to move around the page looking for similar embellishments.

**POCKET TIP #2: Use embellishments to spark journaling.** Look through your stash of embellishments and find items that spark your stories for the week.

**POCKET TIP #3: Use numbers to streamline journaling.** To quickly document items in your photos or spread, use numbers and coordinate the numbers within your journaling.

**Busy weeks call for lots of photos!** In the pocket adjacent to the title of this layout, I wanted to document four things to have handy come winter. So I printed tiny photos, numbered them, and adhered them to one card. By printing them each with a white border, there's a unity to the photos, and the white space between them allows the eye to rest. Below I added journaling about each of these cold weather favourites with the corresponding numbers.

## week forty-seven

**supplies** CARDSTOCK, CHIPBOARD, DIE CUT SHAPES, PATTERNED PAPER, CORK STICKERS: Gossamer Blue; INK: Ali Edwards; LETTER STICKERS: Elle's Studio; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Tombow



**DESIGN TIP: Limit your colour palette.** Using just two colours—pink and green—creates a very restful, elegant feel to this page. Sometimes less can be more with colour!

**DESIGN TIP: Include white space.** Not every pocket needs to be filled with content that is busy. Including white or open space on cards lends a bit of visual rest to any pocket page design.

**I have a whole slew of boys in my life, but I love pink!** The floral quote journaling card allowed me to document our story and add in pretty pink floral touches, but the geometric green pattern in the middle pocket still keeps it masculine enough for my guys.

### our amazing story

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**POCKET TIP #1: Go big!** Choose a letter or number that symbolizes something in your spread and make that a large focal point on the spread.

**POCKET TIP #2: Create dimension.** Just because you are working within pocket pages doesn't mean you can't add a little dimension. Using a thick, chipboard number creates interest and separation between the base of your spread and the embellishments allowing the eye to settle on the spotlighted embellishments.

**POCKET TIP #3: Use black and white photos.** By using black and white photos you can make any photos match the product that you want to use.

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