



5 Steps for Basic Print Then Cut

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STEP 1: UPLOAD THE JPG INTO CRICUT DESIGN SPACE

- To upload your image, click **UPLOAD IMAGE**, click **BROWSE** and select your jpg.
- For an easy image select **SIMPLE**, then click **CONTINUE**.

STEP 2: REMOVE THE BACKGROUND

- Go to **ADVANCED OPTIONS** and reduce the color to **UNMODIFIED**. This makes sure we can cut out all the white space without deleting any of the image.
- Click on white to remove it. This reveals a grid behind the image. Anywhere you still see white, click to reveal the grid. Click on the magnifying glass in the upper right hand corner to zoom in to make sure all the details will cut out just as you want them. Click the **UNDO** button in the upper right-hand corner if you accidentally click an area you did not mean to.
- When all the areas are selected that you want to be removed, click **CONTINUE**.
- Select the **PRINT AND CUT** (not the cut image), and **UPLOAD** it.
- Find image under **RECENT UPLOADS**. Click on the image and insert onto a blank canvas.

STEP 3: PLACE ON ARTBOARD (CANVAS)

- You can change the size of the image to smaller or larger within Cricut's dimensions of 9.25" x 6.78". Click and drag a corner to enlarge, but watch the size so it does not go beyond their limit. If you have two jpgs, such as with the paper dolls, custom set the size the same on both of the images to ensure they fit.
- When it's the size you want, click **MAKE IT**. A black border shows up, which is what tells the Cricut machine where it will cut, so don't worry about the black box. Click **CONTINUE**.

STEP 4: PRINT FROM DESIGN SPACE

- Click **SEND TO PRINTER**, then select which printer to use, and click **PRINT**.
- You will notice it prints a thin dark border around the image. This is just to ensure no white border when it is cut.

STEP 5: CUT ON CRICUT

- Carefully align the printed page on the very top left corner of a clean Cricut mat straight along the grid lines and press it down smoothing the paper onto the mat.
- Back in Design Space, select the kind of paper you are using. In this example, we are using light card stock for the paper doll, and regular printer paper for the doll clothes.
- In **TOOLS**, to accommodate the card stock, select **MORE PRESSURE**, or leave as **DEFAULT** pressure for regular paper.
- Once the arrow light starts flashing on the Cricut, insert the mat, this gets the process started, and you can then press the Cricut button.
- When the cutting is finished, press the flashing button to release the mat.
- To peel the paper, first roll the mat, pull off the larger pieces, and then pop out the extra pieces with tweezers or scissors.



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