

# PERZINES – Lecture Notes for PowerPoint Presentation

## DESIGNING AND SHOWCASING YOUR IDEAS

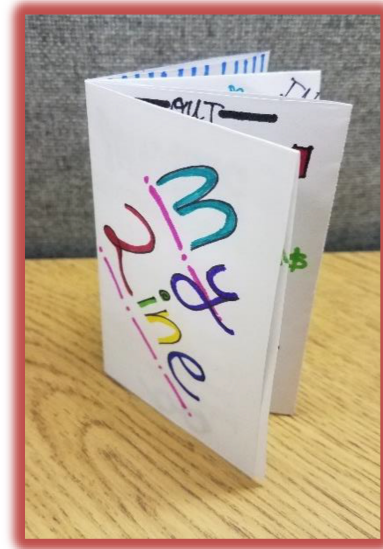
### Slide #1 – Title Slide

Adult 101: Perzines – DESIGNING AND SHOWCASING  
YOUR IDEAS

### Slide #2

In this program, we will learn:

- What is a Zine?
- What are Perzines About?
- Brief Zine History
- Who Can Make a Perzine
- How to Make a Perzine
- What is the Purpose of my Perzine?
- What Should My Perzine Be About?



### Slide #3 – Title Slide

What is a Zine?

### Slide #4

A zine (pronounced “zeen”) is a do-it-yourself mini-magazine or booklet created for distribution. There are zines about favorite bands, social topics, hobbies, humorous stories, book reviews, random thoughts, events, places, pets, etc. The writer is the author, the illustrator, the publisher and distributor!

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What are perzines about?

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Perzines are a type of zine that can be used to write about personal experiences, thoughts or ideas from everyday life. It’s more personal than a zine and tells something about you...whether it’s your likes, dislikes, feelings, hopes, dreams, advice, goals, thoughts, etc. It can contain pictures, art, photos, text, drawings, stories, poetry, etc. Just like zines, the writer is the author, the illustrator, the publisher and distributor!

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Brief Zine History

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The first zine, or fanzine as it was originally called, was created in 1930. “The Comet” was a mini-magazine about science fiction started by a group of sci-fi fans in Chicago. The production of fanzines became a non-official, inexpensive way to circulate thoughts and interests on a common subject with other enthusiasts. Later the term was shortened to “zine.”

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In the 1960s and 70s, zine topics expanded to political commentary, music, literature and social issues of the day. Advancements in the electric typewriter and increased accessibility to the photocopy machine made zine production easier and even more popular. With the rise of the global internet in the mid-1990s, the traditional, handmade zine lost popularity. However, zines have made a resurgence. There are many types of zines that specialize in a particular topic such as music zines, political zines, comic book zines, health zines, craft zines, photography zines, art zines, webzines, literary zines, culinary zines, etc. Today, we are focusing on personal zines or perzines.

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Who can make a perzine?

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Anyone can make a zine!

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How do I make a perzine?

There are many ways to make a zine. The style of zines can vary in terms of size, style, format, material and construction. Today we will be making a mini-zine from an 8½ x 11 sheet of paper folded into eight panels!

### **Slide #13**

This slide has three YouTube videos on mini-zine creation. (Right-click on the image and click “Open Hyperlink.” Each video runs approximately 2 – 4 minutes. Show one or more as time permits.)

(Let teens know that, unlike the mini-zine makers in the videos who use color photocopy machines, today they will be making black and white photocopies of their mini-zine. Teens may want to add color to the individual photocopies with colored markers, colored pencils, etc. Each copy will be unique. 😊)

### **Slide #14**

Fold your mini-zine, matching the corners carefully. Number the pages in pencil. If you are making a separate front cover for your mini-zine, number the panels 1 - 8. If you are not making a separate cover, label the panels: front cover, 2-7, back cover (see template within the instructions on page 6).

### **Slide #15**

Populate your mini-zine with images and text from the Self-Reflection Worksheet. Make copies of your publication (inform teens of maximum number of free copies).

### **Slide #16**

Add color to your copies, if you like with markers, colored pencils, or crayons.

### **Slide #17**

Fold the mini-zine in half as illustrated in the slide. From the creased edge, cut a slit halfway through the center.

### **Slide #18**

Fold the mini-zine as shown in the videos on Slide #13 and ta da!

### Slide #19

What is the purpose of my perzine?

### Slide #20

To make me feel good! My perzine will remind me that...

- I have talents!
- Be yourself!
- I am valuable!

### Slide #21

So...What should my perzine be about?

### Slide #22

...here are a few ideas:

- What are you thankful for
- Favorite affirmations
- What are some awesome things about you
- What makes you happy
- Three goals you have
- Dreams and schemes (what dreams do you have and what are your plans to make them happen)
- What are you good at

...just express yourself!

Let teens know that their perzine can be based on one or more of the self-reflections from their worksheet.

### Slide #23

Remember, zines do not have to be perfect. Just jump in and get started!

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