Pyramage Topper and matching Insert Plates
(Purple Flowers and Butterflies design is shown in this tutorial)

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These Pyramage Topper designs are quick and easy to make, and folds flat for posting. There are 2 sheets that can be purchased separately which is a sheet for the Pyramage Topper and a sheet for the Insert Plates (the insert plates sheet is optional, for that really professional finish) In this tutorial I have included a few tips for those of you who are new to card making, to make your cards aesthetically pleasing to the eye.

Finished Sizes:

Pyramage Topper	Sheet is sized to fit on an A5/Half Letter Size Card Blank (A4 or Letter sixe folded in half), but there is no reason why you couldn't use any size of card blank, that is larger than A5/Half Letter Size, and of course, the option is always there to change your printer settings, to print whatever size you wish, within the size parameters of your printer. (See instructions for you own printer) Length 7 5/8in (19.3 cm) Width 4 3/4in (12 cm)
Insert Plates	Sheet is sized to fit on an A5/Letter Size Card Blank, but there is no reason why you couldn't use any size of card blank that is larger than A5/Letter Size, and of course, you can also change your printer settings, to print whatever size you require within the size parameters of your printer. (See instructions for you own printer) Length 6 5/16in (16 cm) Width 4 1/2in (11.5 cm)

If your finished sizes are larger than the measurements above, the most likely cause, will be that you are printing to media size (e.g. A4 size or Letter Size), rather than printing at actual size. Please see the notes at the end of this document where I explain how you get your printer to print at actual size. N.B. You don't have to change the settings on the physical Printer, but when you send a document to your printer to print, it's the settings on the options box that appears on your PC screen that need to be set, to correctly print at actual size.

Materials Required

forA5/Half Letter Size Card blank	1 Sheet Cardstock for the Card Blank 200gsm (alternatively, you can buy readymade A5 card blanks from any good craft store) obviously, you could use this design on a larger than A5 card, if preferred
Pyramage Topper Sheet	1 Sheets A4/Letter Size 160gsm Cardstock or 200gsm Photo Paper.
Insert Plates Sheet	1 Sheets A4/Letter Size 120gsm - 160gsm Cardstock

Photo Glue or Wet Glue
Double-sided tape
3d Sticky Foam Pads

Pyramage Topper Card – Purple Flowers and Butterflies

Instructions for Pyramage Topper

Cut Out Pyramage Sheet

A Card Front
B Pyramage Layer 1
C Pyramage Layer 1
D Pyramage Layer 1
E Pyramage Layer 1
F Sentiment Label

Cut out all the pieces above, from the Pyramage Topper sheet.

Make Card Blank and apply Card Front

Make your A5 Card Blank by folding an A4/Letter Size cardstock, alternatively, readymade A5 card blanks can be purchased from any good craft store)

Apply the Card Front (A) to your card blank, with Double Sided Tape or Wet Glue. Cut around the top edge of the card blank, leaving a small margin and following the shape of the Card Front (A), as shown below

Add the Pyramage Layers

Add the Pyramage layers (B-E) in alphabetical order to the card front, with 3d Foam Pads. If you are posting the card, you may be able to reduce postage costs, by just applying the alternate layers of Pyramage (B and D), or alternatively, use 1mm Foam Pads.

Apply the Sentiment Label (F) with 3d Foam Pads. A generic sentiment is supplied on the sheet, but if you prefer to add your own sentiment, then you may do so, by disregarding the Sentiment Label (F) decoupage supplied, and use your own peel-offs or stamps directly on to the label section of the Card Front (A)

Instructions for Insert Plates

If you haven't purchased the separate Insert Plates sheet that match this design, and you would like to, please go to my store, at www.craftsuprint.com /sue-douglas/ and enter the cup number for the Pyramage sheet that you have purchased and click on the Related sheets to see the Insert Plates sheet. Alternatively, to see other designs in my Pyramage Toppers collection, please click on the link below:
Pyramage Toppers Collection

Two sets of Insert Plates are provided on the sheet, so you will only need to cut out one set for the card – either A1, B1 and C1, or A2, B2 and C2. The second set can be used on any of your other projects.

Apply wet glue to the wrong side of the Insert Plate (A1/A2) and opening your card blank (be sure the it is the right way up!) apply it to the right hand portion of the card.

TIP Rather than placing the insert centrally, it's more aesthetically pleasing to the eye, where the item you are adding is not much smaller than what you are placing it on to, to place the insert plate nearer to the top edge than the bottom edge (see photo below, the measurement with the **GREEN** arrow should be slightly bigger than the measurement with the **RED** arrow. If you were to place it centrally, it would appear to be 'top heavy' (it's an optical illusion) See the photo below, to see where I have placed the largest insert plate.

Place the Insert Plate labelled (B1/B2) on the left hand side of the card inside, as shown below.

Place the Insert Plate labeled (C1/C2) on the bottom of the back of the card, as shown below.

TIP In this case, because the Insert Plate (C1/C2) is much, much smaller than the card back you are placing it on to, placing it at the bottom of the card, will appear to give it greater weight at the bottom, which is always what we should be aiming for, rather than making it 'top heavy'. Why not try a little experiment with your friends and family? Try placing the Insert Plate (A1 or A2) centrally on an A5/Half Letter Size piece of card and then place the same Insert Plate on to another piece of A5/Half Letter Size card, but this time using my tip of having the space at the bottom rather than the top, and ask them what they think looks best. You might be surprised by the results!

On Your Special Day

Final View OF Insert Plates

So that’s it all finished!

Final View of the finished Pyramage Topper

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If you are pleased with your Pyramage Topper, please take a look at the other designs available in this collection, below. There may be other designs available, that are not shown below, as I will be uploading more designs in due course.

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A matching Insert Plates sheet is also available see the Related Sheets option on the Designs on CUP

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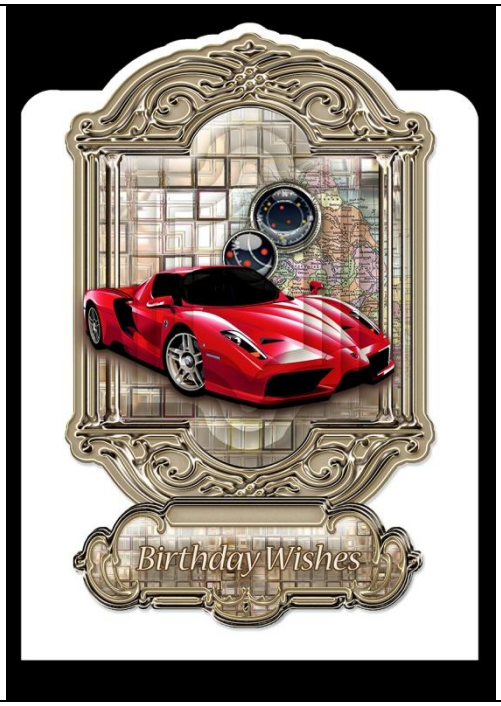

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Table Setting Mini Kit collection.

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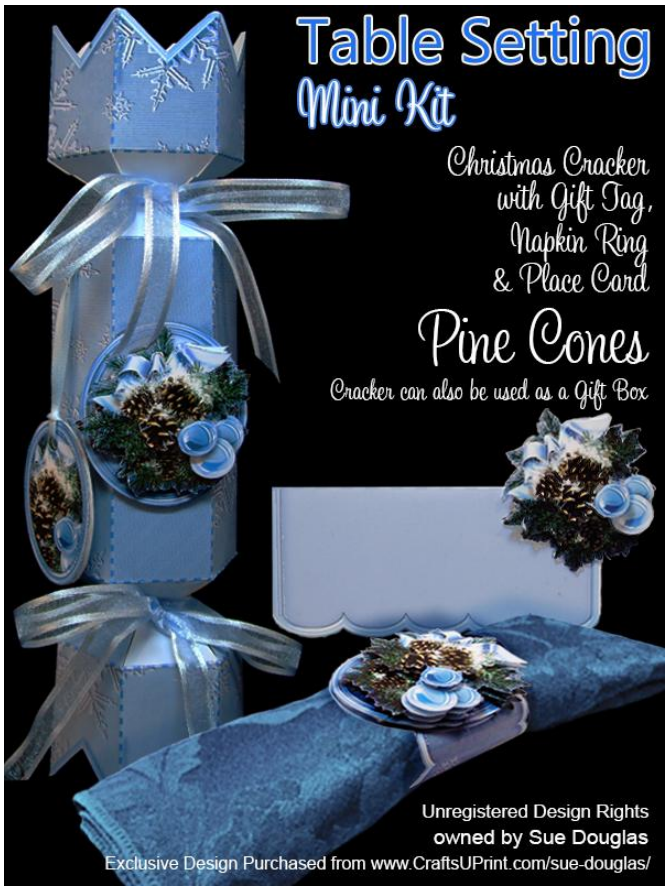

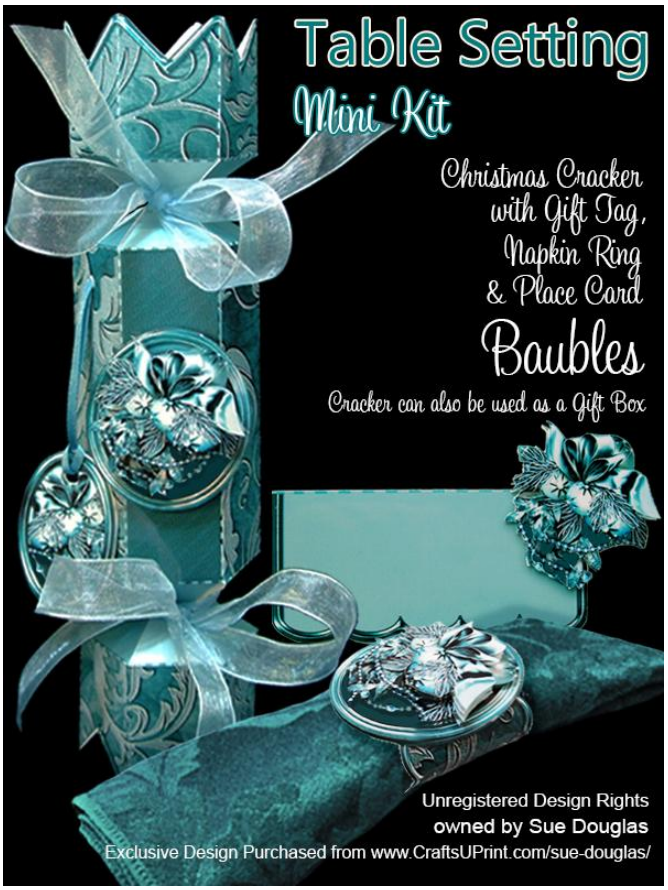

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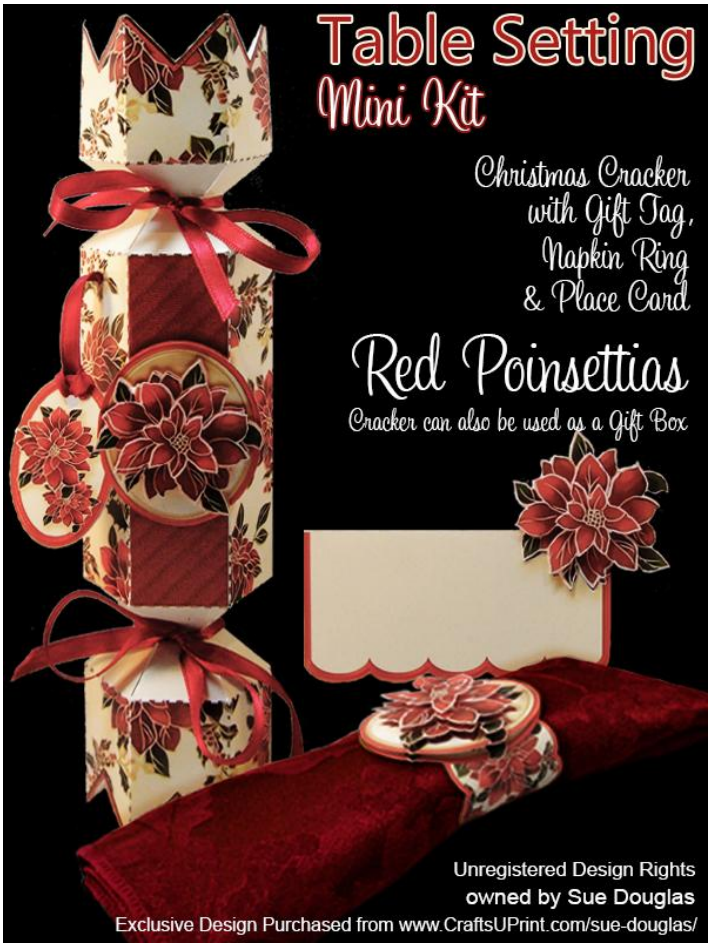

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Handbag Gift Boxes

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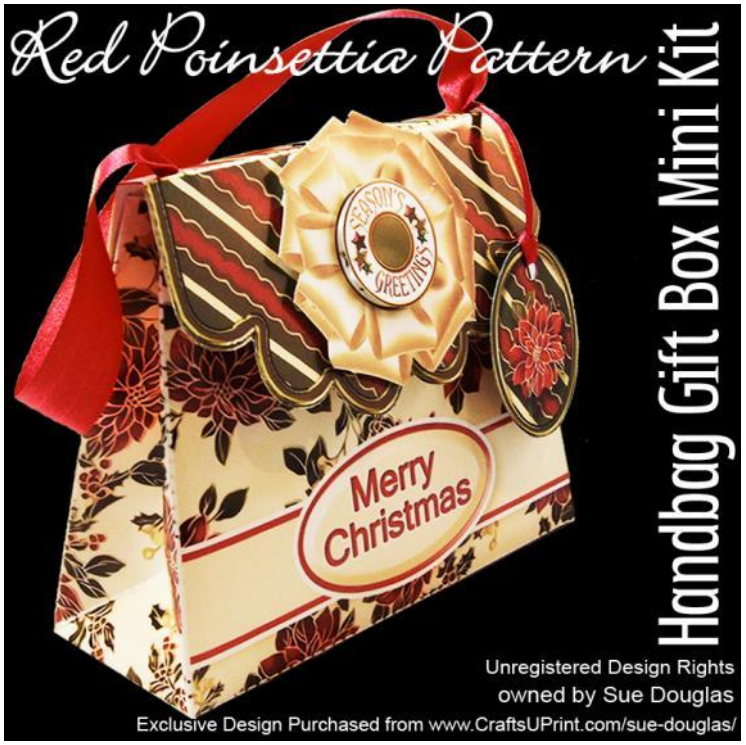

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[Gift Card Money Envelope Kits]

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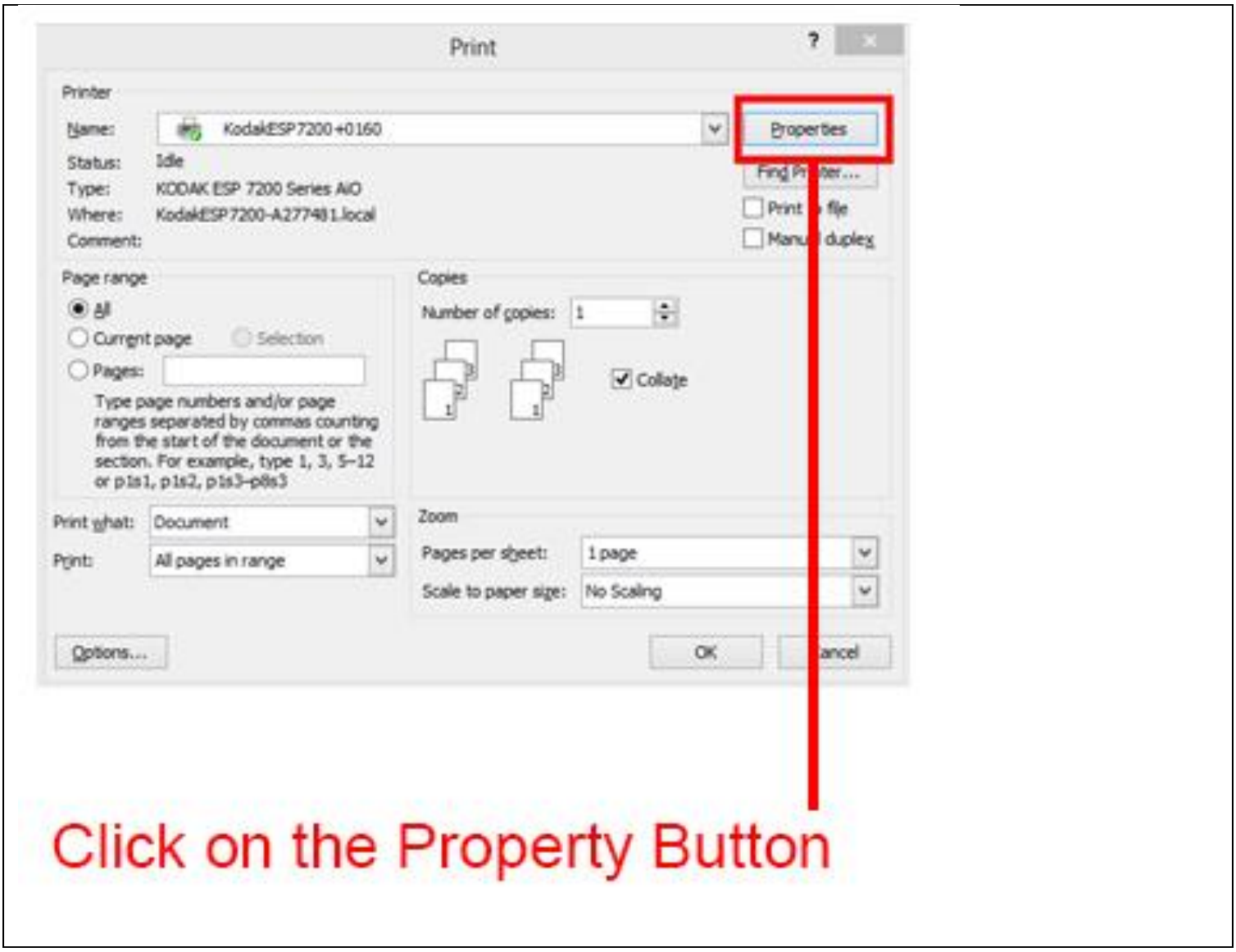
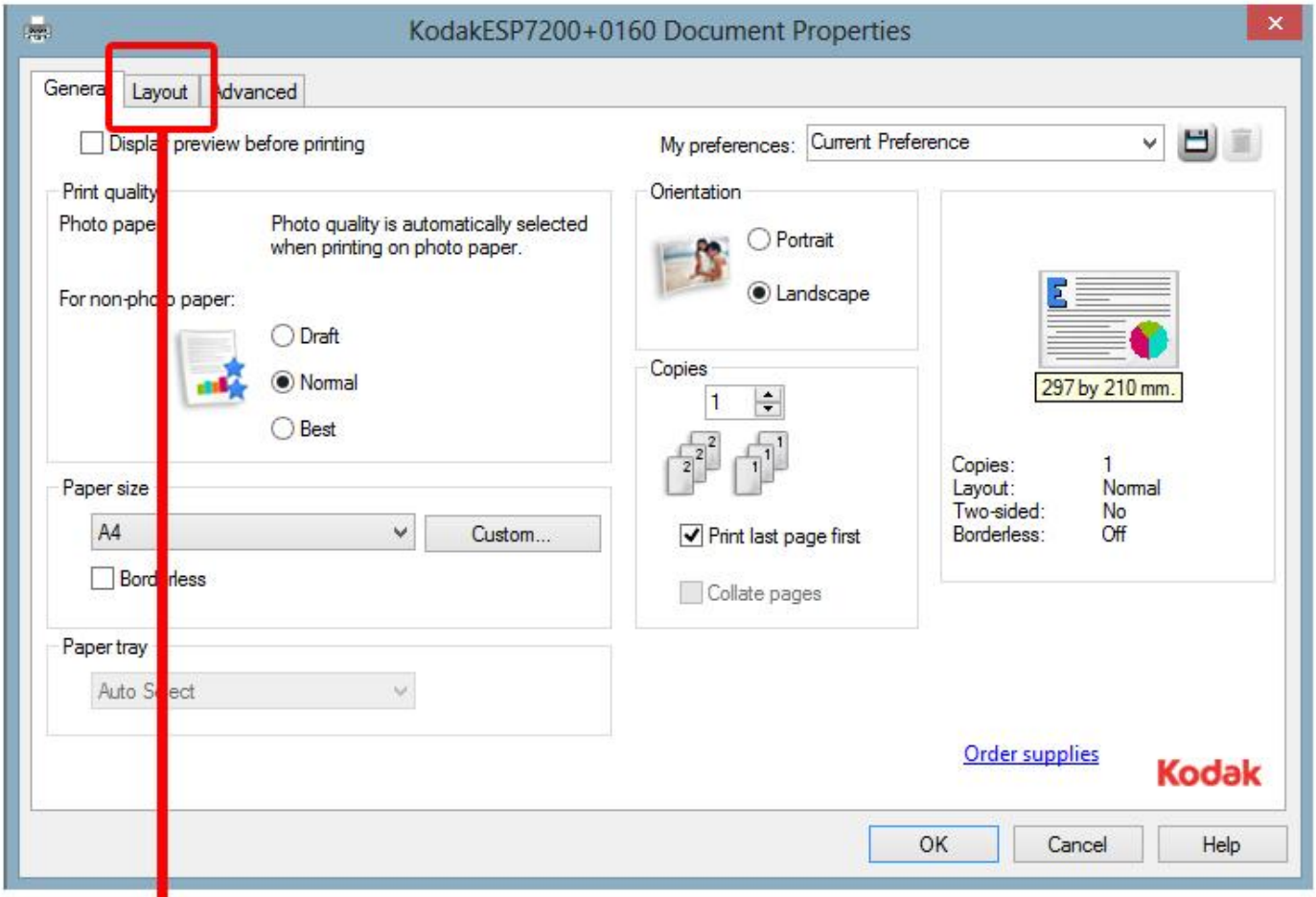
Printer Settings for CUP sheets

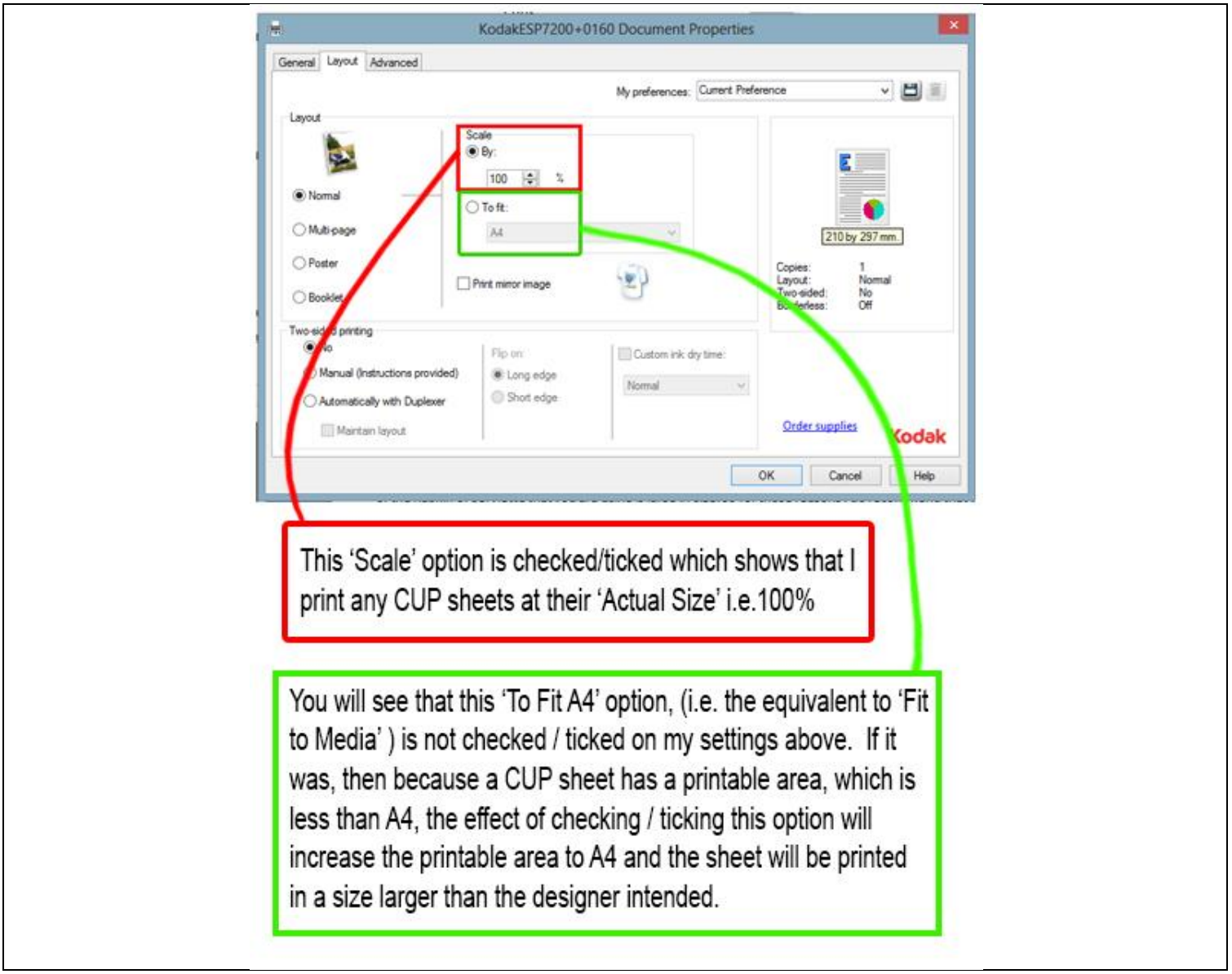
Please note that the measurements / Card Blank sizes in this tutorial are correct sizes, providing you print the sheets with your printer settings set to 'Actual Size', rather than 'Fit to Media', which some of my customers seem to be doing. The effect of printing CUP sheets with the 'Fit to Media' setting, will cause the sheets to print out larger than the design size actually is, and larger than the designer intended, and you will most likely (certainly with my designs!), have to cut into the Card Front design to get it to fit! So if that's happening to you, please see details below of how to correct this problem, which is simple to fix, so that when I say in my instructions that the design tutorials that the design will fit a specific Card Blank size, it will fit, and you won't have to cut into the card front design to make it fit, because your settings have printed it out too big! The fault is with a setting you are using on your printer at the time when you send a sheet to your printer to print. Here are the settings that I use on my printer, when sending CUP sheets to my printer. The screen shots below may be different on your printer, in respect of the layout and the terms that are used, and the software that you use to print, but I don't think you should have any problems seeing what the equivalent terms being used on your own printer are.

You don't need to do anything on the actual printer, provided when you print your CUP sheets you go through the Printer dialogue box (Press CTRL & P together, on your keyboard to bring up the Print Box)





Click on the Layout Tab



This 'Scale' option is checked/ticked, which shows that I print any CUP sheets at their 'Actual Size' i.e.100%

You will see that this 'To Fit A4' option, (i.e. 'Fit to Media') You will see that this 'To Fit A4' option, (i.e. the equivalent to 'Fit

To Media') is not checked / ticked on my settings above. If it was, then because a CUP sheet has a printable area, which is less than A4, the effect of checking / ticking this option will increase the printable area to A4 and the sheet will be printed In a size larger than the designer intended. If it is on yours, (N.B the term used on your printer may be called something different, but it will have the meaning of 'Fit to Media' (i.e. Fit to A4 (or Letter size in the US)), then you may find that you have to cut into the printed design on my card fronts (and other designers card fronts), in order for them to fit on the card blanks that I, and other designers, indicate the size the sheets are designed for. In actual fact, when you print my designs at the correct setting of Actual size, there will ALWAYS be a small margin around my card fronts when you apply them to the card blank size I have instructed, if there isn't, or you have to cut into my card front design to make it fit the card blank, then you are printing as 'Fit To Media' instead of printing to 'Actual Size' which is the correct setting for it to fit on the card blank size, I say it is for. The reason for this, is because on CUP sheets the printable area, we have to design with, is smaller than A4, so that every printer that each customer may have (including international paper

sizes), will easily be able to print the sheets without any clipping occurring. If the printable area at CUP was A4 then there would be problems if the customer had a printer that wasn't able to print borderless A4 prints, and also those international customers who print on paper sizes that are different sizes to A4 (such as Letter Size which is the paper size that is used in the US)

Once you change this setting to 'Actual Size', or the equivalent term used on your printer. I have a Kodak printer, and my printer setting to print to actual size is called 'Scale' and the percentage I have set against it is 100%. I hope that helps…