

Conservation Supplies
Remember to shop around, compare prices!

Small investment:

Item:	Used for:	Vendor(s):	Approximate Cost:
Bags of rice, beans, lentils, etc.	Weights	Grocery store	\$1.00 - \$5.00 (depending on size)
Plastic baggies (different sizes: snack, sandwich, quart, gallon, 2 gallon)	Weights	Grocery store	\$1.00 – \$5.00 (depending on size, quantity)
Plastic squeeze bottle	Glue container	Grocery store	\$2.00

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Waxed paper	Protecting pages when gluing	Grocery store	\$1.50 (depending on brand, etc.)
Knitting needles (#3, #4, 13" – 14" long)	For hinge strengthening	Knit shop; retail store (e.g., Fred Meyer, Target, Jo-Ann's, etc.)	\$2.00 (depending on brand, material, size)
Paint brushes (pack)	For gluing; water tearing of tissue	Retail store; hobby shop; grocery store	\$2.00 (depending on brand, quantity)
Great Planes Easy-Touch Hand Sander (5.5")	For trimming page tip-ins	Hobby shop – local or online (e.g., Tower Hobbies, Hobbylinc, etc.)	\$5.00

The next tier:

Item:	Used for:	Vendor(s):	Approximate Cost:
PVA (polyvinyl acetate) pH neutral adhesive (nonreversible – not truly archival. Do not use on valuable or historically significant materials!)	Gluing	Gaylord, Talas, University Products	\$8.50 - \$10.00 for 8 oz. \$30.00 for 1 qt.
Wheat starch paste precooked (reversible – truly archival)	Gluing (for historically significant or valuable materials)	Gaylord, Talas, University Products	\$5.25 - \$11.00 and up for 1 lb. (depends on vendor)
Methyl cellulose (reversible – truly archival; mix with wheat starch paste for hinge strengthening or tip-ins)	Gluing (for historically significant or valuable materials)	Gaylord, Talas, University Products	\$14.00 - \$30.35 for 1 lb. (depends on vendor)

Item:	Used for:	Vendor(s):	Approximate Cost:
Document repair tape (nonreversible – not truly archival. Do not use on valuable or historically significant materials!)	Page tears	Gaylord, Talas, University Products	\$10.00 - \$30.00 per roll (depending on size)
Japanese tissue	Page tears	Gaylord, Talas, University Products	\$8.00 and up per sheet (depending on size, type of paper)
Niji waterbrush	For tearing Japanese tissue	Art supply store (e.g., Dick Blick, Wet Paint)	\$8.00 - \$12.00 (depending on size)
Toolbox	To hold supplies	Hardware store	\$20.00 and up

Item:	Used for:	Vendor(s):	Approximate Cost:
Bone folders	For virtually all book repairs	Gaylord, Talas, University Products – Remember to shop around, compare prices!	Real bone: \$4.50 - \$5.60 (depending on size, vendor) Plastic: \$6.00 (University Products) Teflon: \$19.50 - \$21.50
Weight bags (filled with shot) (Consider using the cheaper alternative – beans and baggies!)	To weigh down pages or text block during repair	Gaylord, Talas, University Products – Remember to shop around, compare prices!	\$9.25 (1/2 lb.) up to \$43.25 (4 lb.) –

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Weights (nickel-plated steel) (Consider using the cheaper alternative – beans and baggies!)	To weigh down pages or text block during repair	Gaylord, Talas, University Products – Remember to shop around, compare prices!	\$9.05 (.5 lb.) \$10.65 (1 lb.) \$21.55 (2 lb.) \$58.55 (5 – 8 lb.) \$61.25 (10 lb.)
Acrylic press boards	To distribute weight evenly while pressing book	University Products (or cut your own Lucite)	\$7.55 (5" x 8") up to \$25.30 (12" x 14")
Basic book press	To press book to set repair	Talas	\$89.75

Some Vendors

Dick Blick	http://www.dickblick.com	1-800-828-4548
Gaylord	http://www.gaylordmart.com	1-800-962-9580
Talas	http://www.talas-nyc.com	1-212-219-0770
University Products/ Archival Suppliers	http://www.archivalsuppliers.com	1-800-628-1912
Wet Paint Online Store	http://www.wetpaintart.com	1-651-698-6431

