

Creating a Petition Paper

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A petition paper (or prayer paper) is a spell that uses the written word and/or drawn symbols to achieve the desired result. Usually they are used in conjunction with another spell modality (such as candle magic or the making of a mojo hand) but may also be used on their own. There are many traditional methods of constructing a petition paper. What follows is just one method.

Items needed:

- A small square of paper. Any kind may be used but it is traditional to use parchment paper. Alternatively a brown paper bag may be used if it has no writing on the area being used.
- A pen. Any type may be used, but some people use different colored inks for different purposes, such as red for love spells, green for money, and black or purple for controlling/commanding.
- A dressing oil appropriate to the magical goal.
- An incense blend aligned to your purpose.
- An appropriately colored candle.

Begin by lighting your candle and incense. Burn or tear the edges of the paper so that there is no machine cut edge. Decide on your magical goal and then crafting a short sentence to affirm it. For example, for a money spell the prayer might read: "Bring money to me quickly and easily", while a love spell might say, "Love and romance flow around me". Be creative and make it specific to your particular needs.

Write out this sentence on the paper in a circle without lifting your pen from the paper. Do not cross your t's or dot your i's until you are completed. Do not include spaces in between the words. You may repeat the sentence as many times as needed in order to complete the circle so that the end of the sentence flows into the beginning. If you mess up in any way throw the paper away and start again. You need to make it perfect.

Now, include symbols that are in resonance with your goal. Hearts for love spells, dollar signs for money spells, X's, crosses, or pentacles for protection are all traditionally used. You may also use astrological glyphs, personally created sigils, or even crude stick figures. The point is to create a visual representation of what it is that you wish to achieve. These may be placed in the corners of the paper, the center, or anywhere else that feels appropriate. Sometimes I might put them in the corners and then draw arrows toward the center in which I have drawn an eye or another symbol that is personally powerful for me.

Now, anoint the paper in the four corners and the center with your oil while you pray over the paper asking it to bring your desired result. Now you will fold the paper, toward you for a spell to bring something to you and away from you for spells designed to banish or remove something. Turn the paper (clockwise for invoking, counter-clockwise for banishing) and fold again. Repeat until it can't be folded anymore. Now, pass it through the incense smoke and ask that its power be sealed into it. It is done. Now it may be placed under a candle for a candle spell, buried in the yard or carried in a mojo bag to attract influences, or thrown in running water to banish them.