# PACKING MATERIAL

# THE BARE MINIMUM:

Envelopes (best to use reinforced ones when you're selling stickers and prints)
I use these. If you get standard paper envelopes, you're best to also get cardboard inserts, which you can buy. But you can also cut up and use old cardboard you may have already.



Plastic bags to put the stickers / prints inside.
You're going to need to protect the items from being damaged/scratched in transport.
They come in many sizes! Something like this:



## - A Printer (and Paper)

You need one so that you'll be able to print out postage slips to put on the packed orders. If you don't have one, you can look in libraries, stationary shops, office supply shops and print/ink stores if any of these are available to you. They should allow quick, private printing for a small fee/free depending.

Some postal services allow you to ship without printing a label!!! Best to look at your national post service and see what services they offer.

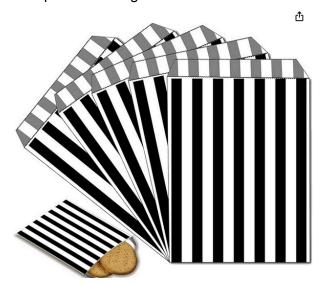
# **OPTIONAL EXTRAS:**

#### - Coloured Card

I like to use this as a backing for my stickers/small prints as a way to write a thank you message and to provide extra support to the items. You can cut them down to fit inside the plastic bags and write whatever you want on them!

## - Paper Bags

To keep smaller items neat and together, I like to put them all into a paper bag before I pack them into the envelope. Something like this:



#### - Small Stickers

As little decorations and to keep bags closed. You can get mass sticker sheets of animals, smiley faces, random shapes, etc super cheap at dollar/euro/etc shops.

### - Bubble Wrap

If you're shipping more delicate items out, best to keep them extra protected and secure.

You can buy most of these items in office supply shops online and in stores, or anywhere that is selling stationary like DIY or craft shops. Some post offices also sell supplies, though they tend to be a bit more expensive. I get most of my supplies in a discount shop (essentially a dollar shop, if you're in the US.) to save money. You can also use Amazon, but if you can avoid it then I greatly recommend doing so.