

# Best Buy backdrop building kit in HO scale

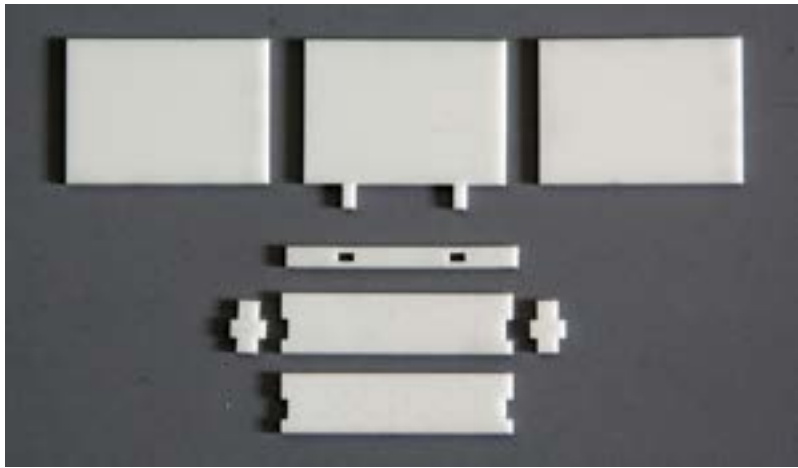
Parking lot base and cars not included

This kit includes all building parts and signs laser cut in white and clear acrylic and self-adhesive wood. All parts fit together but may need light sanding in joints for cosmetic reasons. The model needs painting.

Some model building and painting skills are required, Size: 21 1/2" x 1 3/8" x 5 3/4" (535 x 42 x 149 mm)



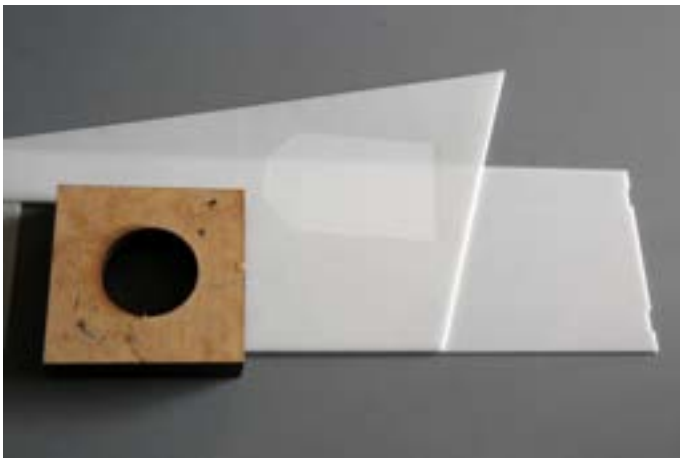




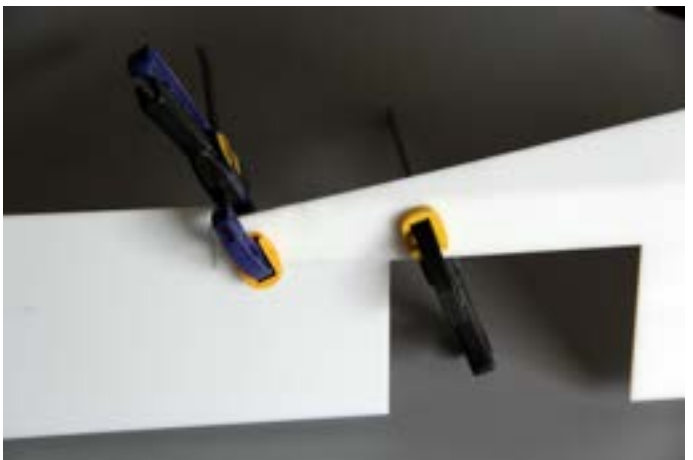
Street sign parts

**Assembly:**

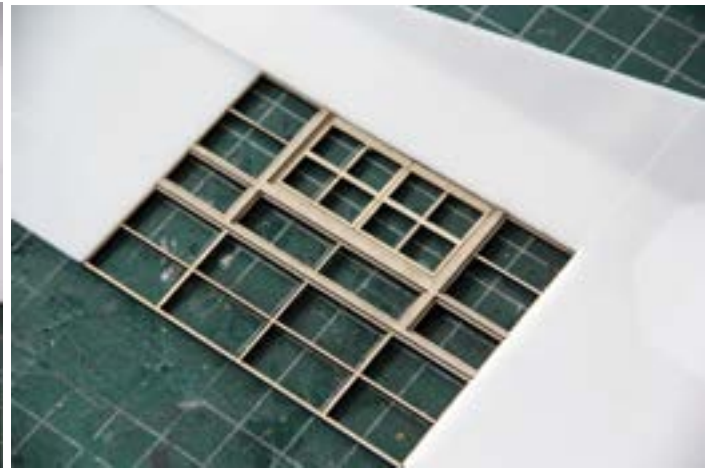
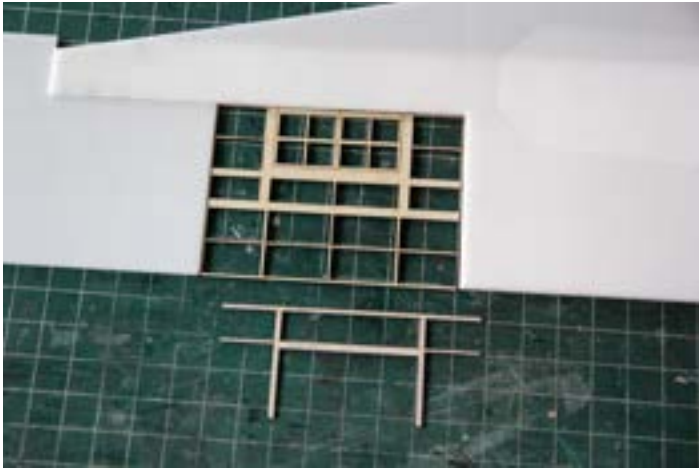
Start by attaching the “logo-arrow” wall to the right front wall, aligning them with a square as shown.



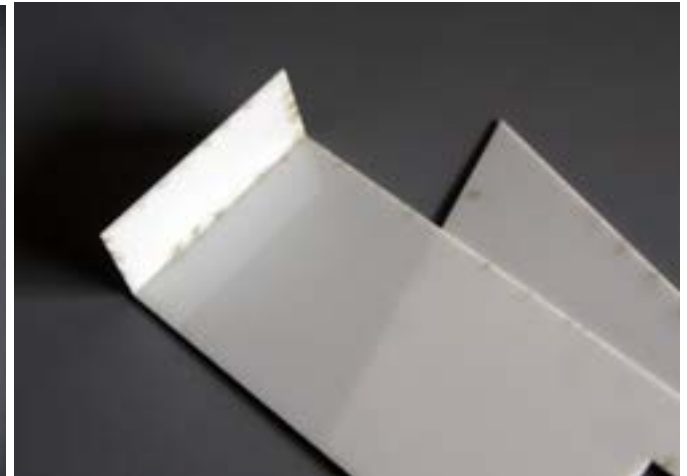
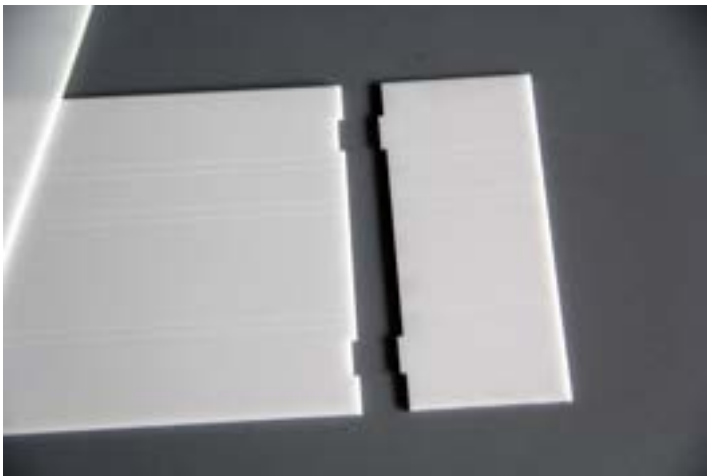
Apply glue to the joint on the rear as well and to the inside of the door opening.



Use the square to also align the joint with the left side of the front wall. Hold the parts together with clamps for 5-10 minutes, acrylic takes a little longer to set than styrene.



Use the door opening as a tool to keep the entrance parts aligned. Set the entrance section in the opening upside down. The second layer sits around the door and the lower window section. Peel back the protective tape from the second layer and carefully stick it to the window frame as shown.



Find the correct side wall match so the grooves line up and glue them to the front wall.



Glue on the roof support strips to the front wall, about 1/3" below the bottom of the notch. Glue the short strips to the short side walls.



Glue the two roof pieces together using the shortest rectangle as a joint support on the bottom side.  
Leave a .060"/1.5mm lip on the front edge to make room for the roof support strip.



Glue the roof in place.

Fill the joints in the corners with model filler or Vinyl Spackle from Lowe's.  
When the Model Filler has dried, sand the joints with 120 grit sandpaper until the surface is even,  
then sand with 600-grit sandpaper to get a nice smooth surface.



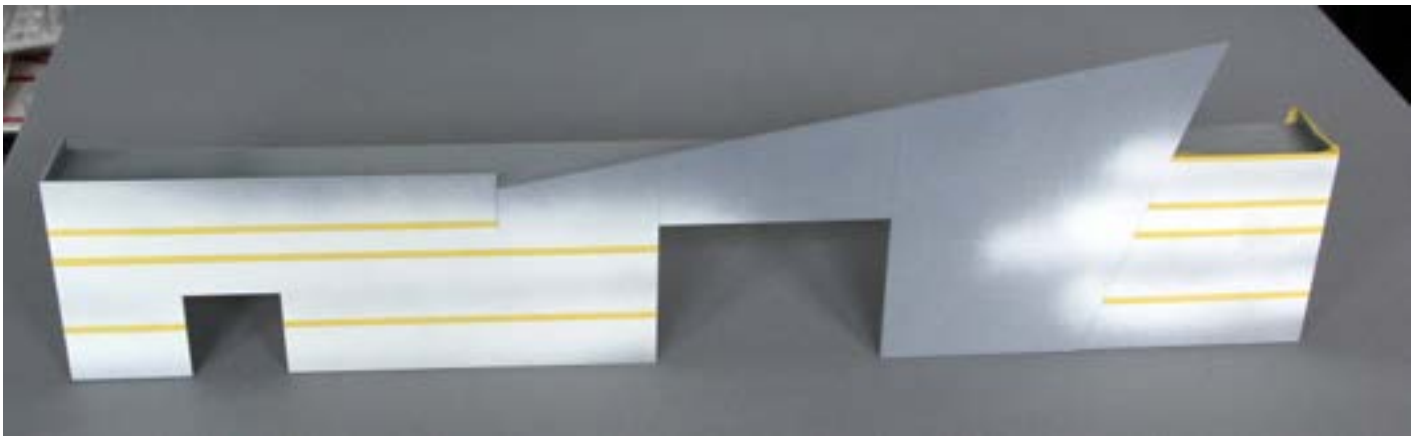
Laminate the sign pieces as shown and glue the sign into the footing as shown. Finally glue the 4 pieces of the brick foundation together and mount the sign on top.

## Painting & finishing

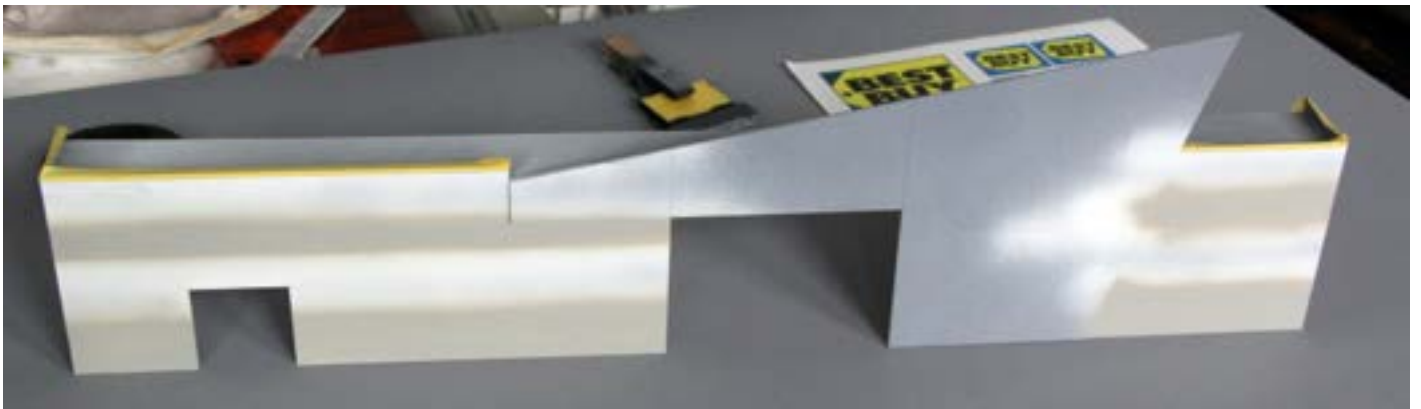


Attach the windows and the roll-up-door to a piece of cardboard and paint them silver.

Then spray the entire building with gray primer, Testor's makes a 3 oz. spray can.



Spray the narrow lines white. When the paint is dry (next day) mask the white stripes with tape.



Spray the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 3<sup>rd</sup> wide band light gray. When dried, mask the gray parts with tape.



Spray the remaining bands medium brown.



Mask off the walls and paint the front "sail" blue



Before handling the decals, you should spray them with a coat of Krylon Clear acrylic or Testor's DullCote to protect the print. Cut them out using a steel ruler and a sharp hobby knife



Mount the big wall sign decal to the base by peeling back 1/4" of the backing paper and fold back. When the position is right, attach the exposed end and then remove the remaining paper and attach. Paint the white edges black with a Sharpie marker



Mask off the sign face and paint the sign frame black. Paint the brick foundation dark gray. When dry, you can make the mortar lines with Roberts Brick Mortar Formula. It is very easy to use and makes great results. Mount the sign decal on both sides.

**Final assembly**



Mount the window glazing from behind. The window glazing is clear. If you want it tinted as on this demonstration model, you can apply some car window film. This you can buy in any auto parts store. Mount the roll-up door and the sign above it.



Peel off the backing paper and mount the window frames and doors on the glazing. Be VERY careful to place the parts correct in the first attempt, once the glue sticks you can't remove it without



destroying it. Mount the big wall sign in the indentation with Woodland Scenics Scenic Glue, this dries up clear and flat.

The colors used on this model are:

Testor's 1258 Reefer White (3 oz. can)  
Model Master #1750 Flat Gull Gray  
Model master #1701 Military Brown  
Model Master #1723 Gunship Gray  
Floquil #110058 Conrail Blue

Most of these colors are no longer available from the manufacturers but are mentioned as a guide to a matching color. The on-line magazine Model Railroad Hobbyist has made an extensive cross reference guide you can download for free.

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Mall complex



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