

Hanging Kit for Poster Presenters

Meeting organizers will always tell you what size your poster should be, and they will usually tell you what kind of surface you will mount your poster on. When you get to the meeting, you will find that the size is usually right. The surface is another story. I have been told to bring push-pins for mounting only to find myself facing a block wall. So, I've developed a small hanging kit that I take with me to poster sessions.

1. **Push-pins.** These work most of the time. Good for cork boards, some fuzzy walls, and even some woods (if you have heavy-duty pins). Bring some heavy-duty pins (for thick or hard surfaces) and light-duty pins (for thin or soft surfaces).
2. **UHU Holdit.** This is a removable putty adhesive. Good for glass, block, wood, metal, and most other non-fabric surfaces. You pull off a little piece, stick it to the back corners of your poster (like used gum, which I suppose you could also use in a pinch), and push your poster against the mounting surface.
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3. **Velcro tape.** Has velcro on one side and a sticky adhesive on the other. Use for fuzzy fabric surfaces, such as many partition walls in conference centers. If you carry velcro tape, you should also have **scissors** to cut it with.
4. **Masking tape.** An old standby-by. Get single or double sided. Good for non-fabric surfaces. Will even work on some fabrics for short periods of time.