

Shapes, Folding, and Storytelling

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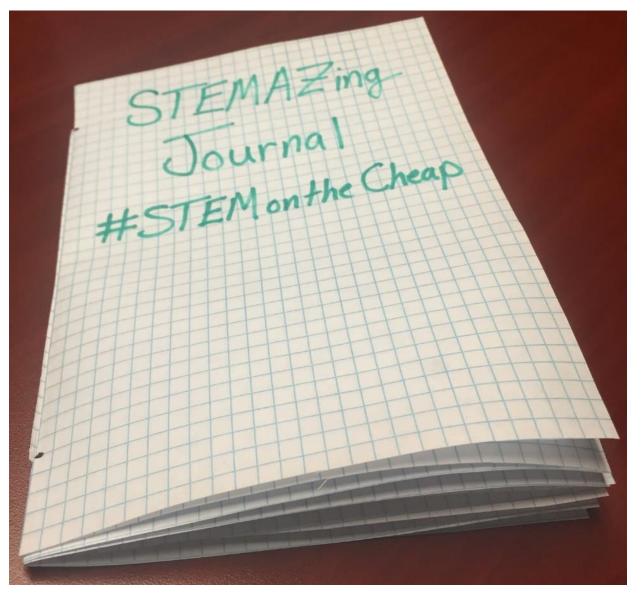
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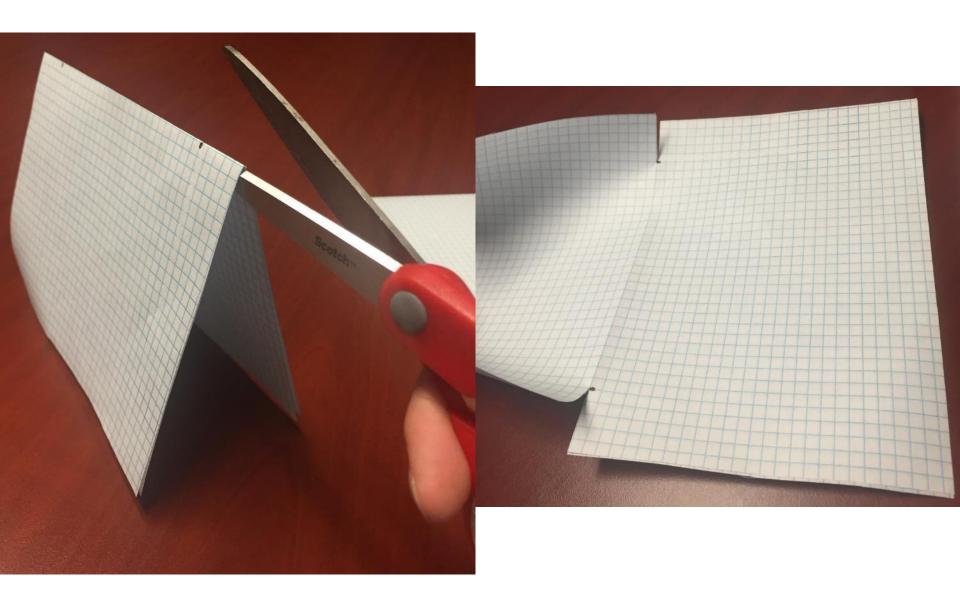
Workshop Objectives

- Use origami and paper folding to build skills of young learners
- Use origami and paper folding to build vocabulary about shapes, directions, patterns
- Using literature and storytelling to facilitate learning

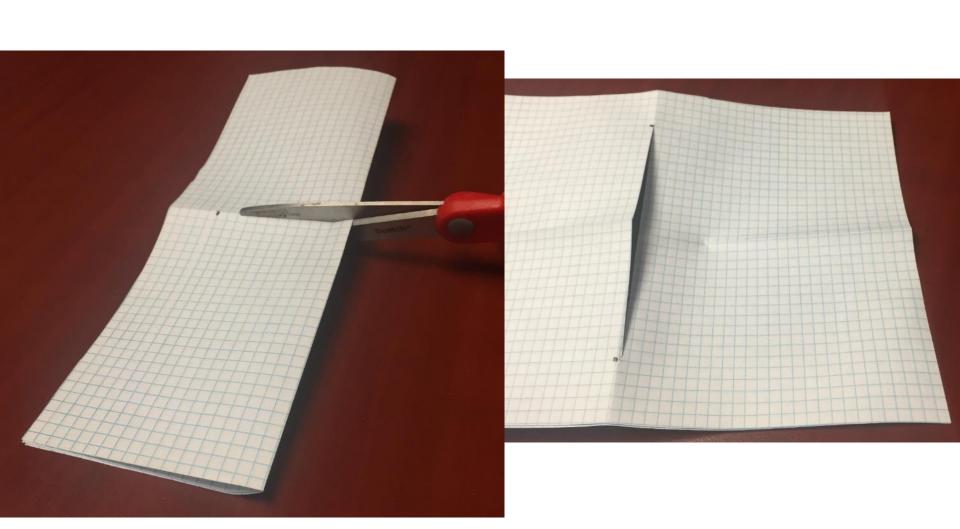
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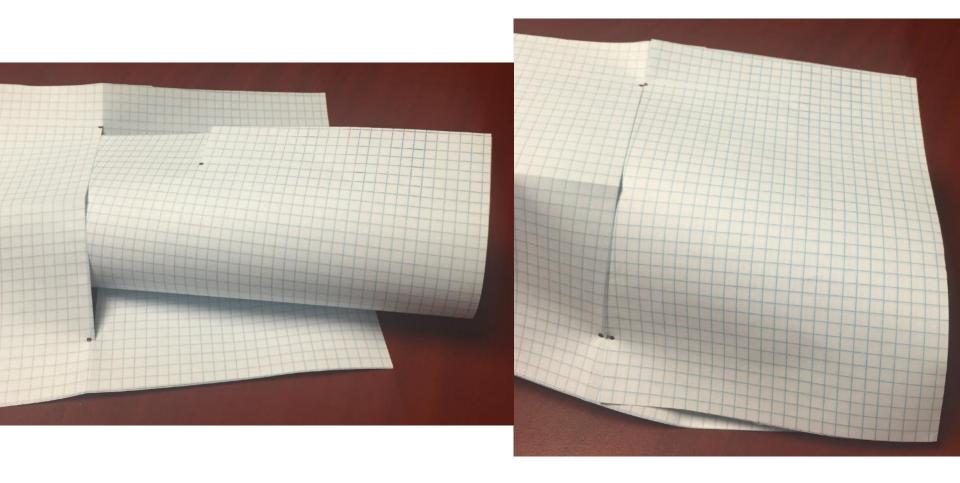
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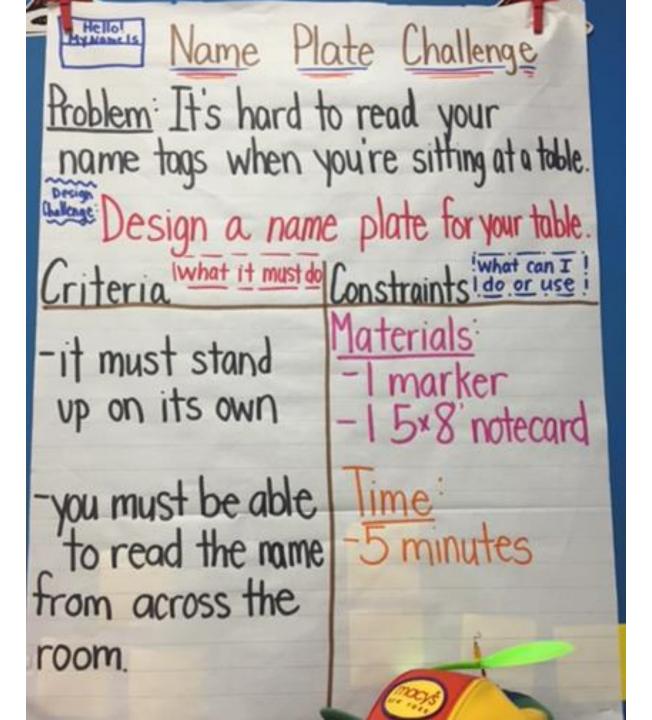


Set 2



Nesting





7 Essential Life Skills Mind in the Making

- Focus & Self Control
- Perspective Taking
- Communicating
- Making Connections
- Critical Thinking
- Taking on Challenges
- Self-Directed, Engaged Learning



Digestion Time

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Origami

- Sneakily enhances young learners skills
 - spatial perception
 - logical and sequential thinking.
 - Manual dexterity
- Improves not only 3D perception and logical thinking but also focus and concentration.
- Engineers use origami to:
 - find the right folds for an airbag to be stored in a small space, so that it can be deployed in a fraction of a second
 - medical forceps
 - foldable plastic solar panels

Skills Learned Origami and Paper Folding

Geometry

- Labeling an origami structure to learn about length, width, and height
- Use a real-world structure to determine area

Thinking Skills

- Allows children to comprehend, characterize, and construct their own vernacular for the world around them
- Find origami or geometric shapes in nature and then describe them with geometric terms

Fractions

- Folding paper can demonstrate the fractions in a tactile way.
- The act of folding the paper in half and in half again and so on can also be used to demonstrate fraction concepts with our youngest learners.

Problem Solving

- Gives young learners a chance to make friends with failure (i.e. trial and error).
- Show a shape and ask students to come up with a way to make it
 - various approaches will work
 - no wrong answer

Arizona Early Learning Standards

STRAND 4: GEOMETRY

Concept 1: Spatial Reasoning

A. use and respond to positional terms (between, inside, above, behind)

B. Describe the position or location of an object

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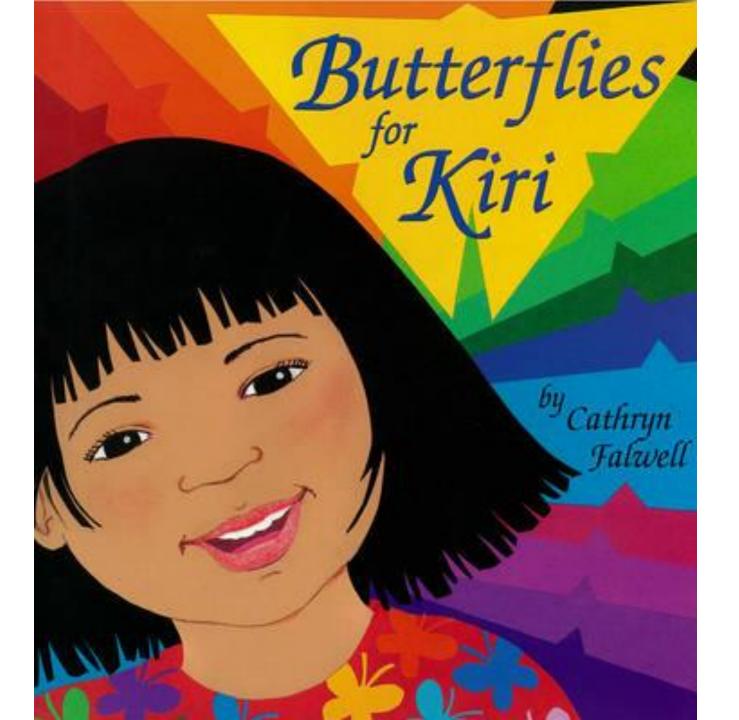
Concept 2: Shapes

A. Recognizes basic two dimensional shapes

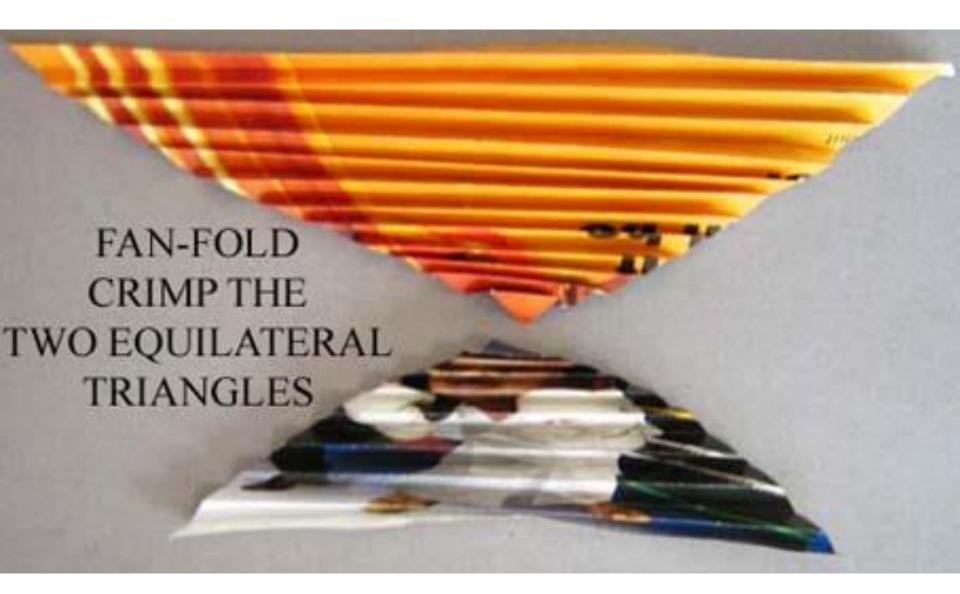
B. Uses the name to describe geometric shapes when describing an object

C. Creates two- and three-dimensional shapes during play

D. Compares and describes attributes of two- and three- dimensional objects in the environment



Triangle Butterfly



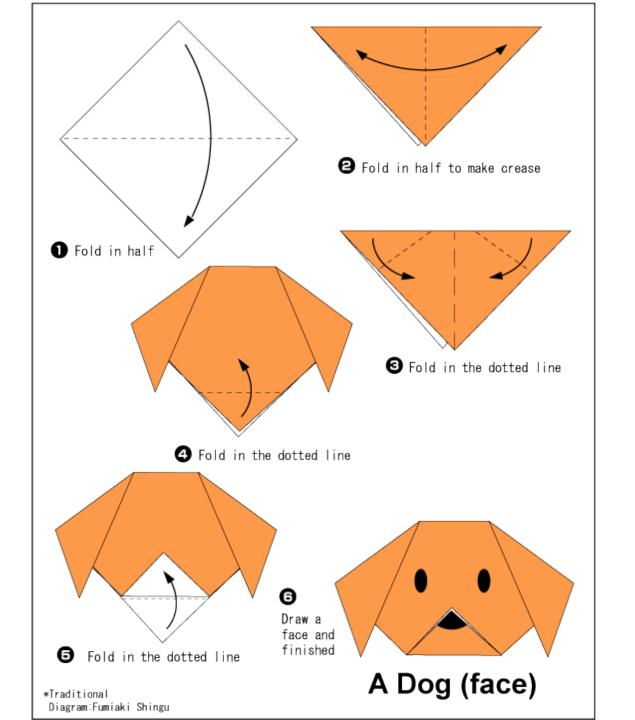
Simple Origami

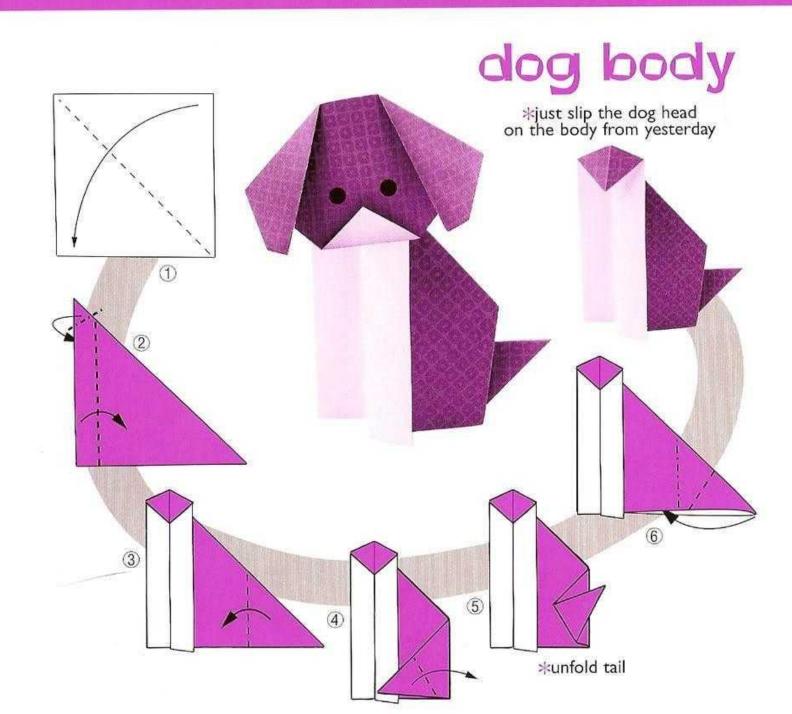
- Cat
- Butterfly
- Dog

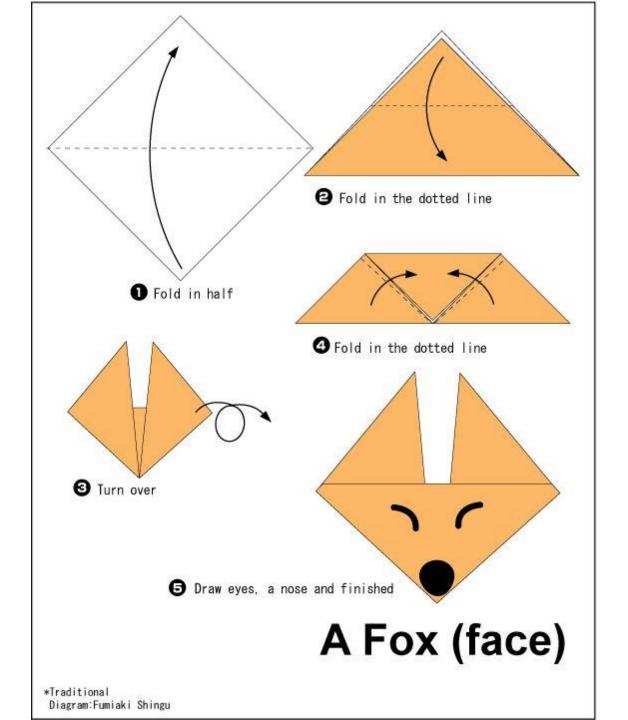


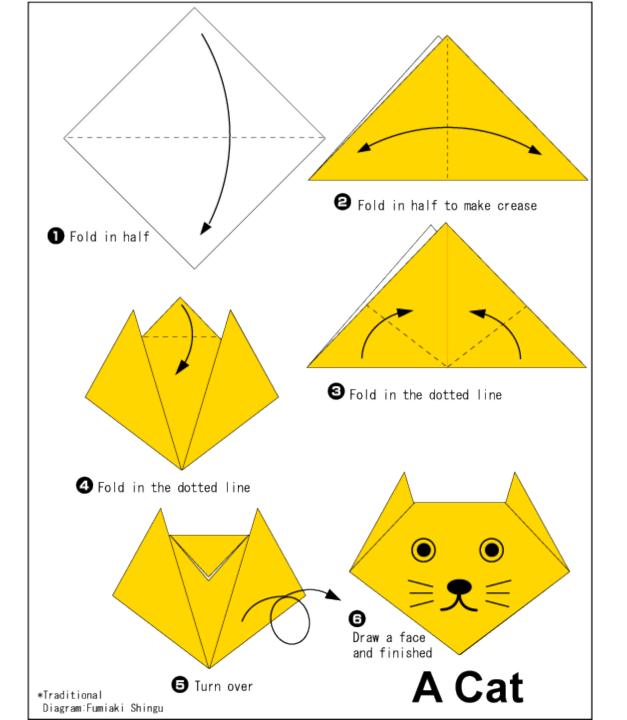














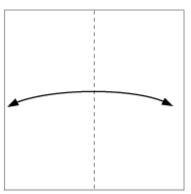
Storytelling

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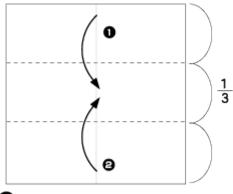
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Collaborative Origami

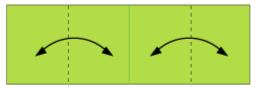


Fold in half to make
 a crease and fold back



2 Fold in the dotted line



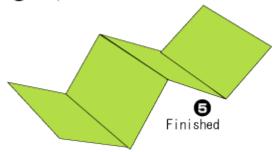


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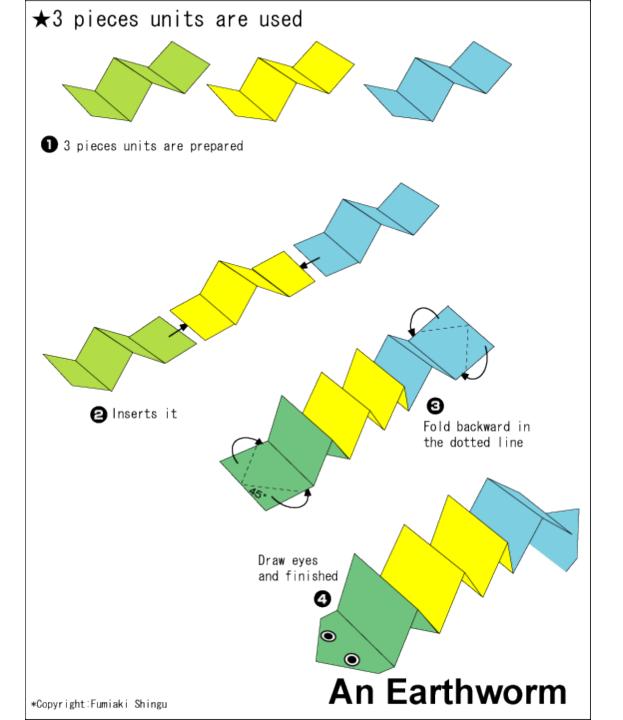
Fold to meet the center line along the crease and fold back



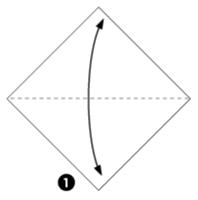
4 Step fold in the dotted line



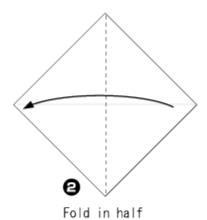
Earthworm unit

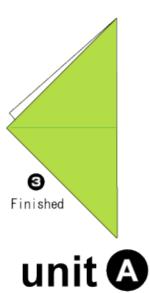


★folds with 1/4 size paper



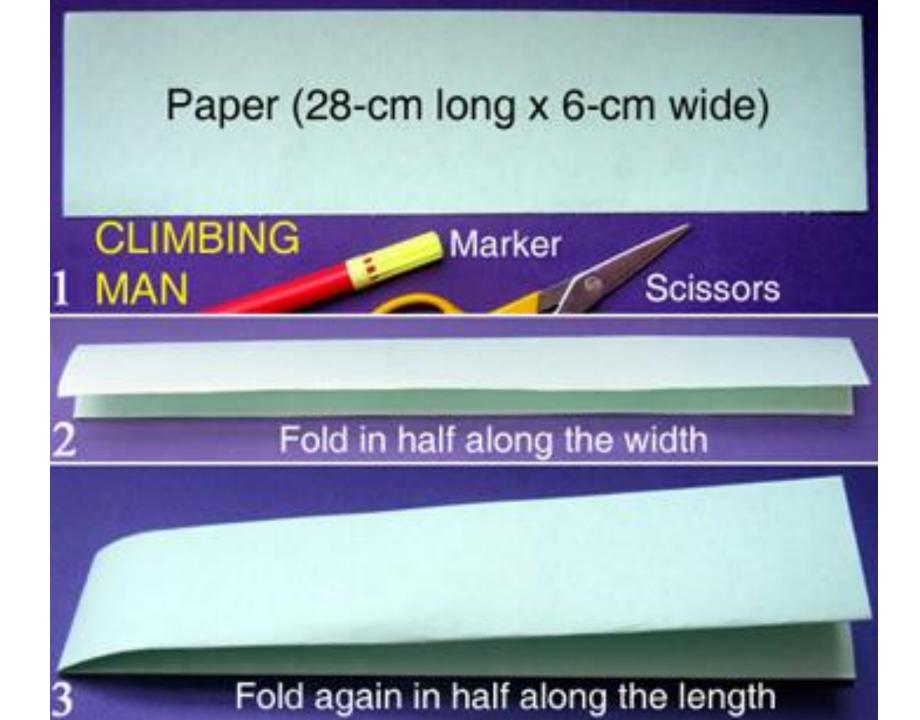
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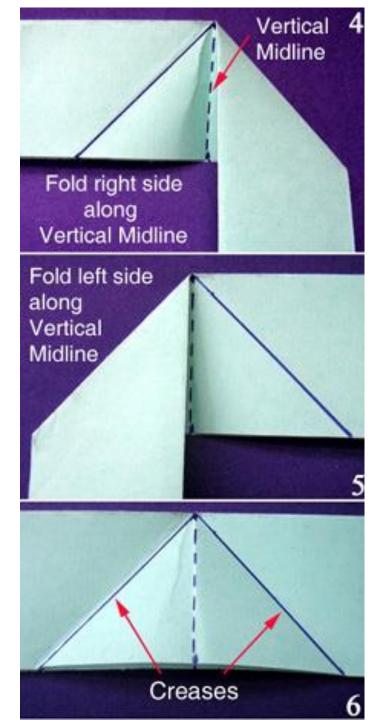


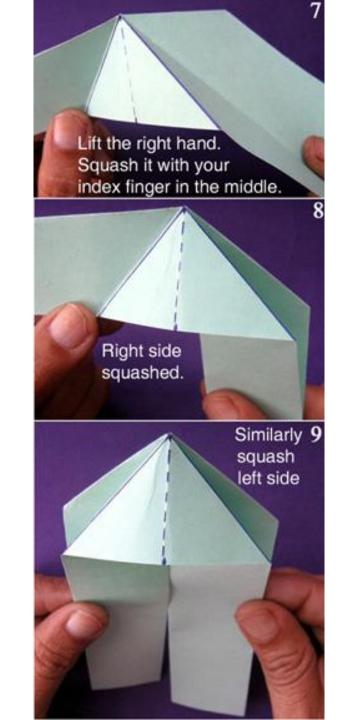


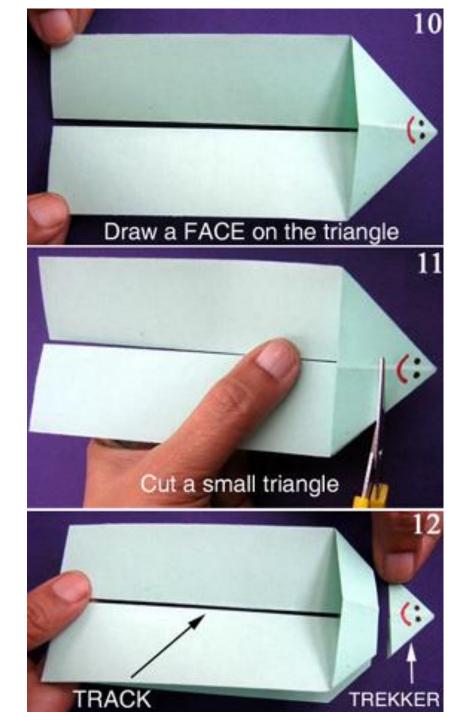
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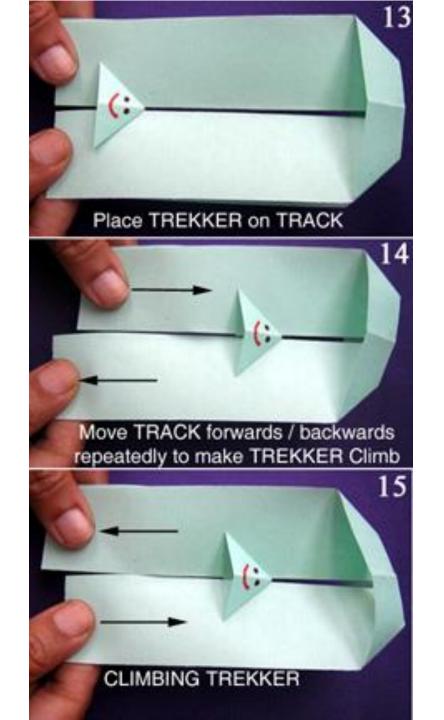
Toys from Trash













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Annotation Symbols

- ✓ = I knew that
- **×** = This contradicts my expectations
- ★ = This is important
- ? = I have a question
- ?? = I am confused or puzzled
- ! = This is surprising or exciting to me
- L = I learned something new
- **R** = Reminds me...
- **C** = A connection to...

Velcro Craft Sticks



Velcro Craft Stick Ideas

- Alphabet and Number Challenge
 - Can you make all the letters of the alphabet and the numbers 0-9?
- Geometric Shapes
 - Can you match/make a triangle? Square? Rectangle? Pentagon? Hexagon?
- Miscellaneous
 - Can you make a flower? Sun? house? Etc.

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30-Day DOT and Survey

- 30-Day DOT Do One Thing What is at least one thing you commit to trying in your classroom in the next 30 days?
- Survey tell us how we did. What did you like? How could this workshop be improved?

Don't forget the power of PLAYING in order to LEARN!

Play to Learn, Learn to Play