

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

About origami

Origami is the art of paper folding. The name comes from a Japanese word, but people around the world have been folding paper to make models for hundreds of years.

Symbols



This means turn the paper over.



This shows you where to make a fold.



This shows you which direction to move or fold the paper.

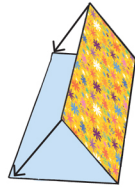


This shows you which directions to fold and unfold the paper.

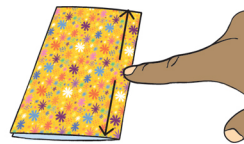
Folding tips

It's always best to fold your origami on a hard, flat surface.

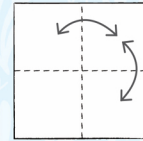
Line up the corners and edges of the paper carefully when making folds.



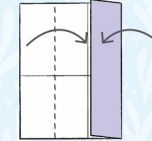
Press down on the middle of a fold first, then smooth firmly out to the sides.



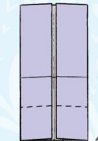
Butterfly



1. Start with the plain side up. Fold the paper in half from side to side, then top to bottom.



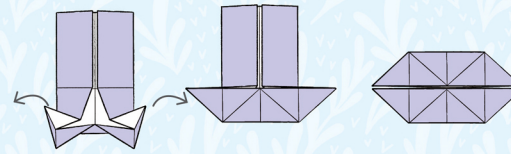
2. Unfold the paper, then fold both sides to the middle.



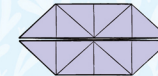
3. Fold the bottom edge of the rectangle in to the middle crease.



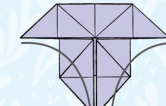
4. Fold the top-left and top-right points down along the dotted lines.



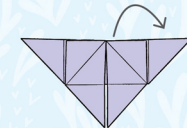
5. Hold the two middle points below the crease and pull them outwards. Flatten the shape.



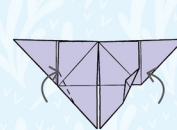
6. Rotate the paper, then repeat steps 3 to 5 on the top half of the rectangle.



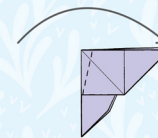
7. Fold the bottom-left and bottom-right sections down to meet in the middle.



8. Fold the top section behind to make a triangle shape.



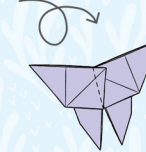
9. Fold the top layer of paper in the direction of the arrows.



10. Fold the paper in half, then unfold the top half back along the dotted line.



11. Turn the paper over.



12. Fold it in half again, then unfold it.

