


DID YOU KNOW origami is the Japanese word for *folded paper*?

Make origami paper dolls

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Activity

MAKE ORIGAMI PAPER DOLLS


Origami is enjoyed all around the world today. People in many countries have added new designs to the ones first created in Japan. Here are instructions for how to make paper dolls. Use them as puppets or as decorations for packages, or write names on them and use them as place cards for family meals.

DIRECTIONS

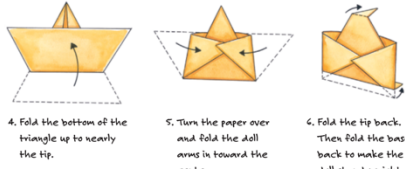
1. Fold a square of paper in half from corner to corner to make a crease that marks the center of the paper. Unfold the square.
2. Fold the sides to the center.
3. Fold the bottom of the triangle up to nearly the tip.
4. Turn the paper over and fold the doll arms in toward the center.
5. Fold the tip back. Then fold the base back to make the doll stand upright.
6. Draw a face on the doll and some designs on the body.


MATERIALS

- 1 or more squares of light-colored paper
- Colored pencils
- Felt-tipped pens



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Fun Facts:



Origami started in China, but it became most popular in Japan.



A pleated paper decoration that Japanese attach to gifts is called *noshi*.