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Preface

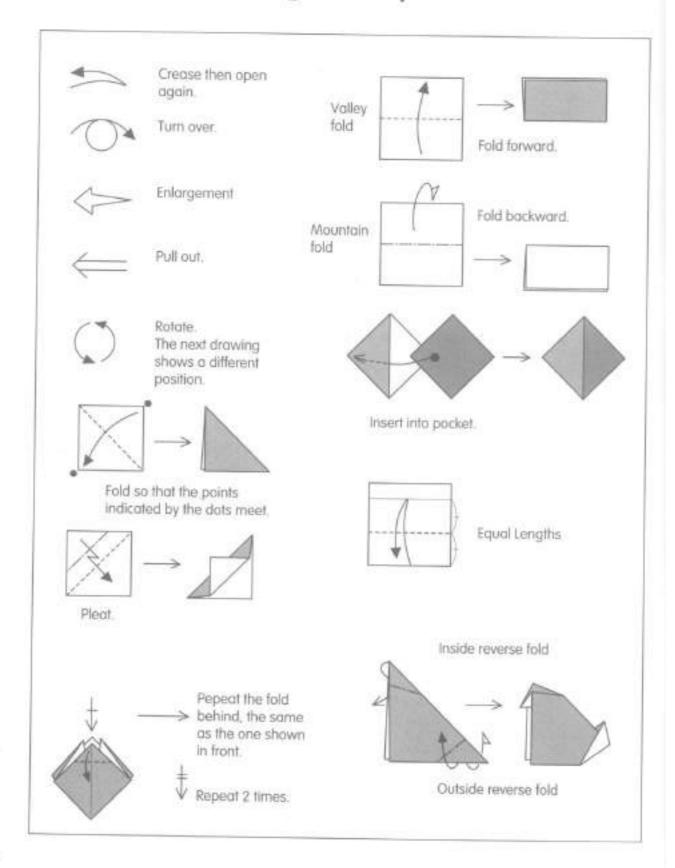
This book features a wealth of origami suitable for happy events and occasions of celebration. Some are good for keeping by your side and decorating your room with your own ideas.

You will find it delightful to choose colorful paper and think about the combination, imagining the reactions of those who see the work or those who receive it as a present. You will feel a little thrill when you get to work on it. A warm smile will break over you face when you hear someone says, "Please show me how to make it?" or "Thank you. I copied your model."

It is also a good diversion for you to fold paper for your own purpose. I sincerely hope that this book will brighten you life and give you a happy smile.

> March 10, 2000 Tomoko Fuse

Symbols and Folding Techniques





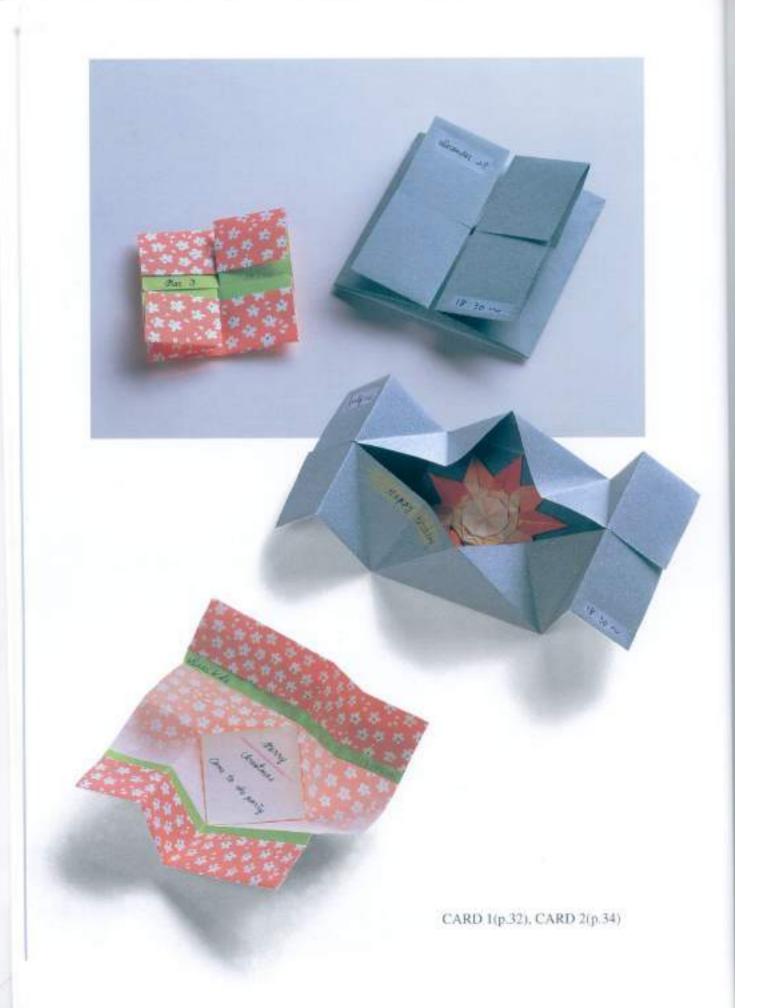
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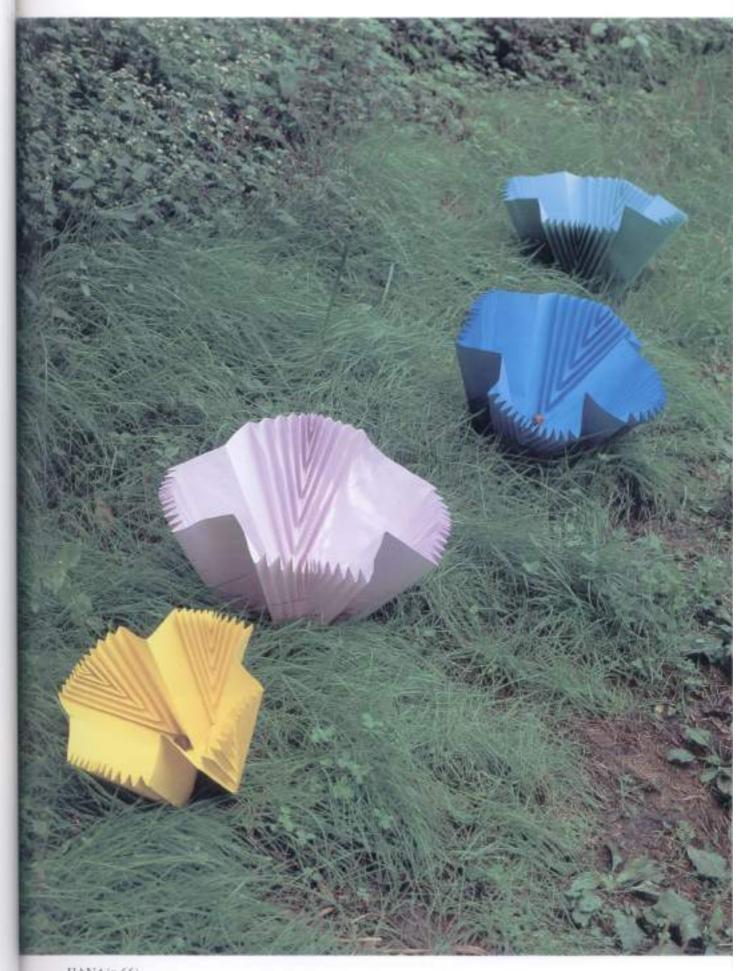
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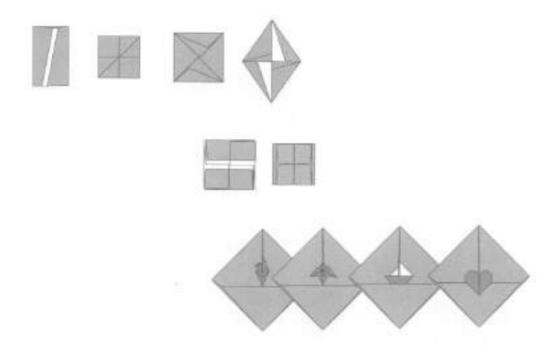
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Chapter 1

Cards and Letter Holders

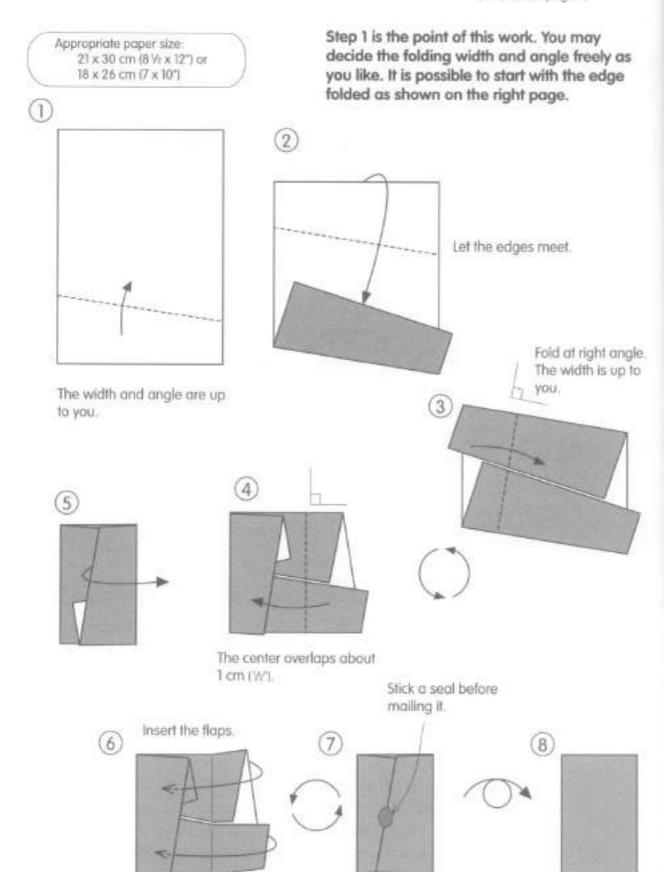


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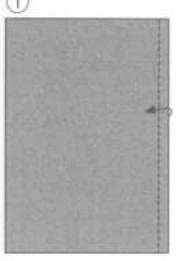
The essential characteristic of origami may be in the act of folding paper. In applying origami to cards and letter holders, I think simple folding is best. Those who open cards and letter holders have to unfold the completed works and fold them again. It means that they have to experience for themselves what the author has gone through. If the works are complicated, it will be difficult for them to reconstruct the origami and they may be at a loss what to do.

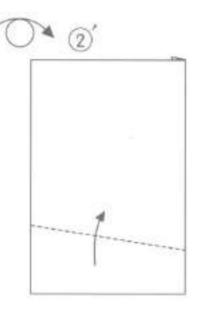
The folding procedure must be simple. To the works you may add something that suggests the season or the object. It depends on your idea. You may write or stick what you like on them. Introduced in this chapter, there are several such ideas. Those who open the cards and letter holders will be completely satisfied with the mechanics before being struck with admiration. They surely want to try to fold them by themselves.

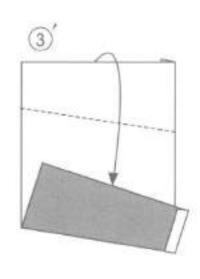
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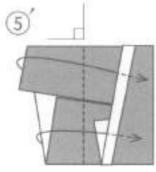


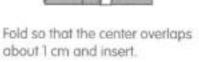


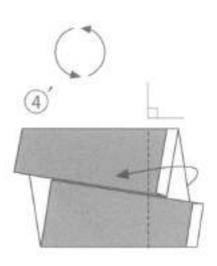


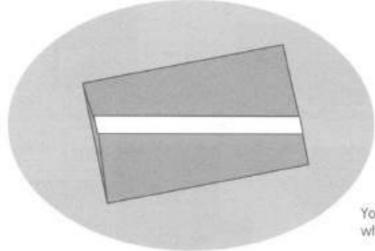
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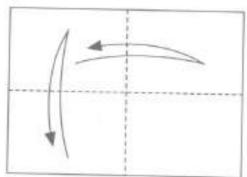


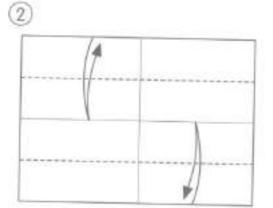


You may write your address on the thin white space.

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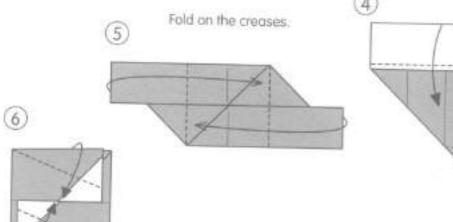


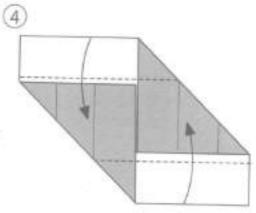




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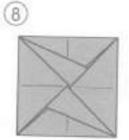
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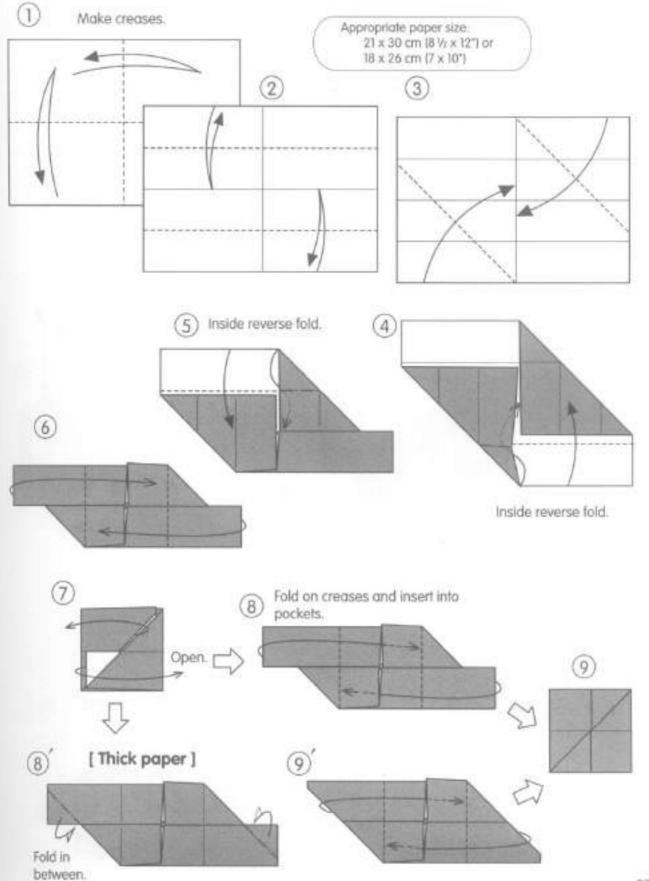


Insert tips marked * into pockets.



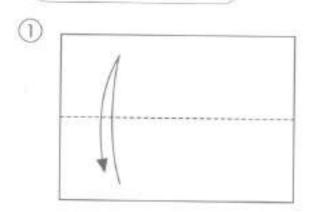


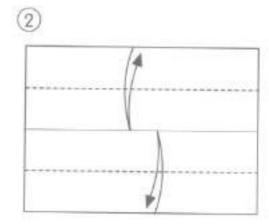
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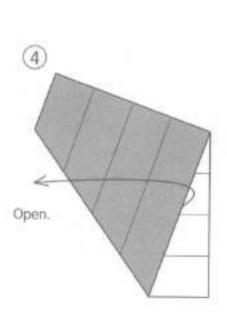


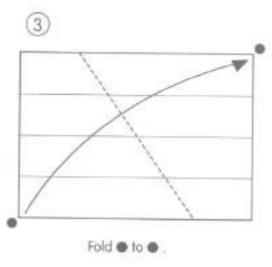
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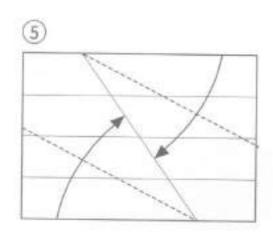
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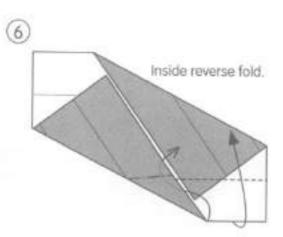




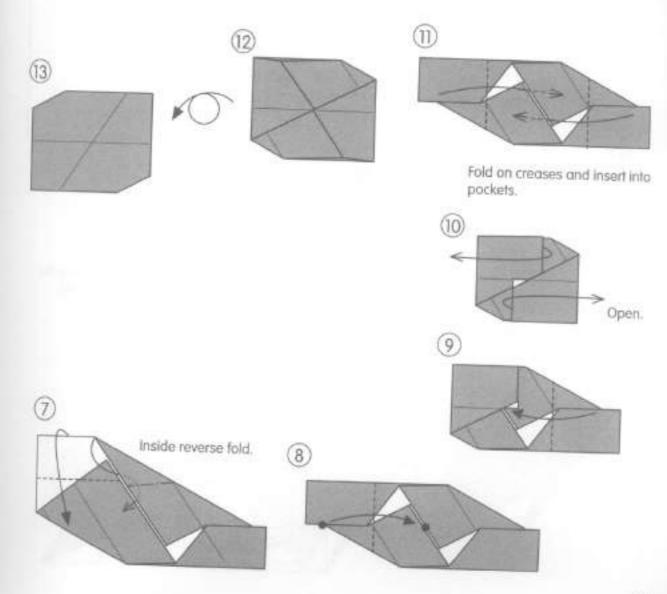






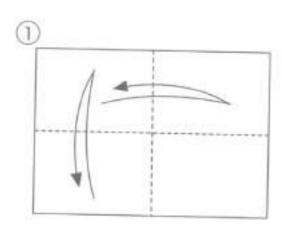




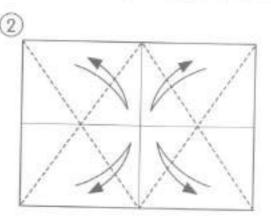


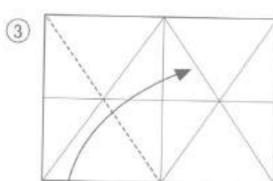
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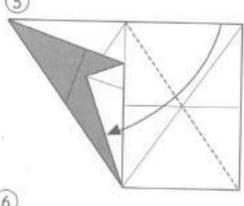
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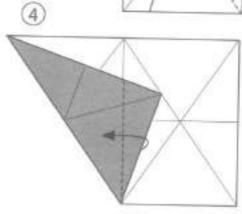


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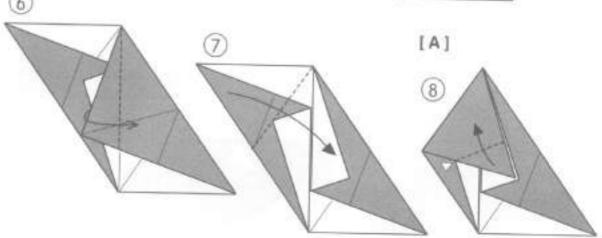


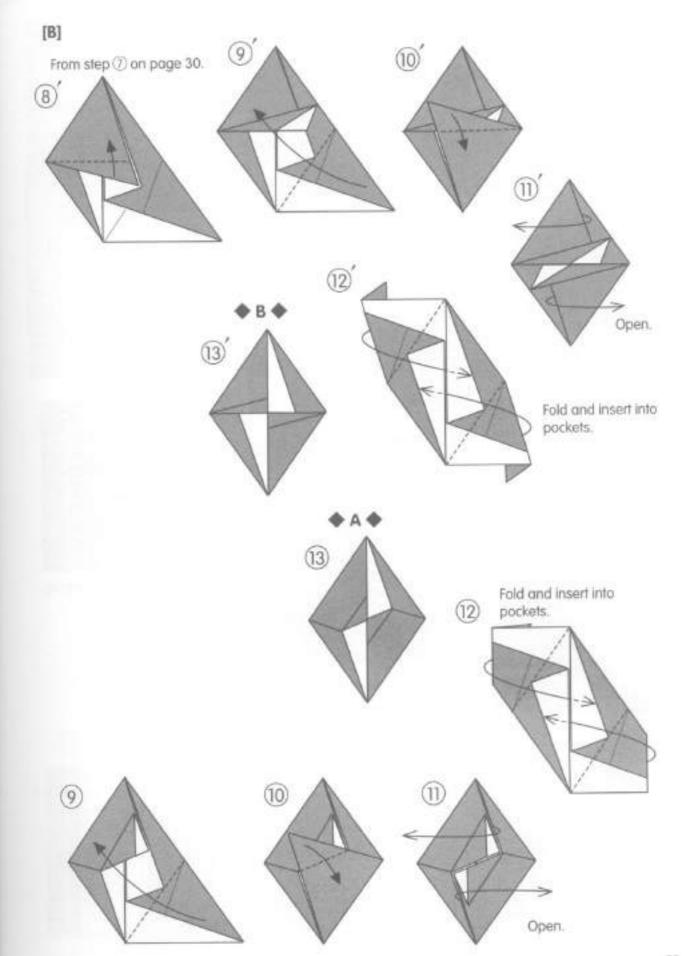






Fold along the center line.

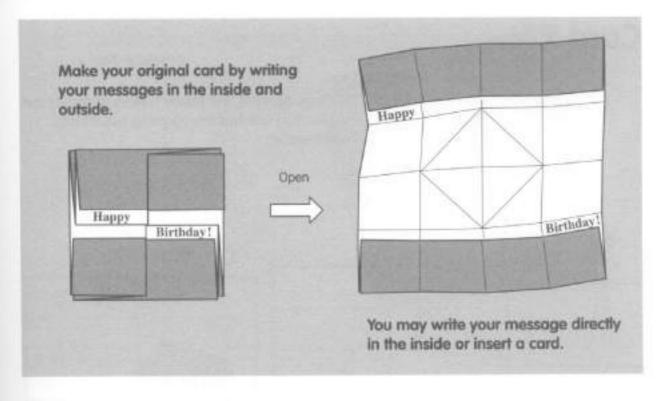


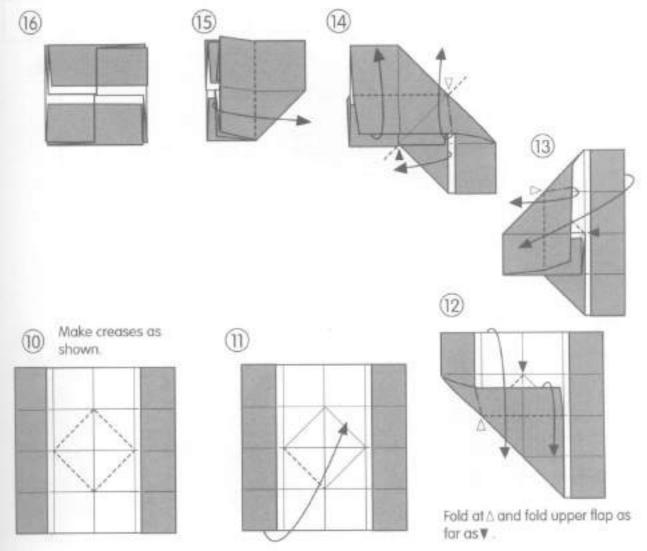


Card 1

(Pictured on page 10)

Appropriate paper size: 21 × 30 cm (8 ½ × 12") or 18 × 26 cm (7 × 10") (3) 2 (5) 6 Fold on the center line. Open after making creases. (8) 9 Open.

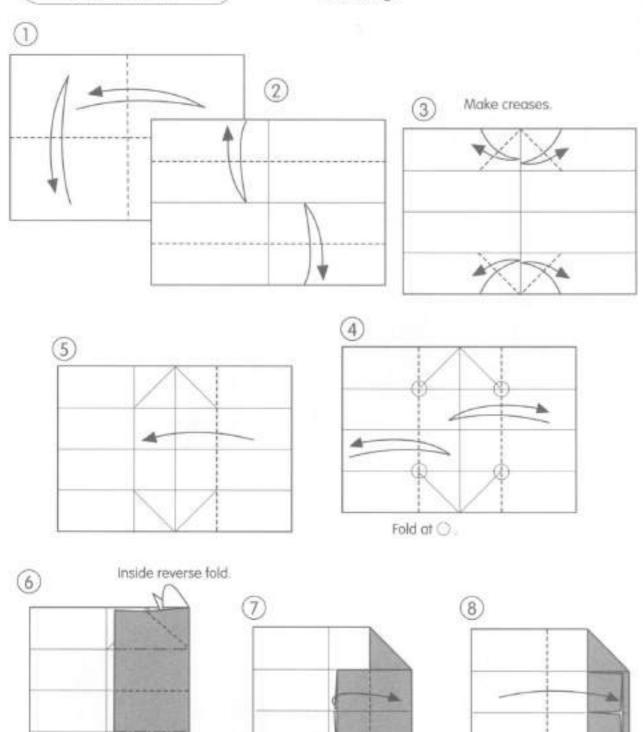


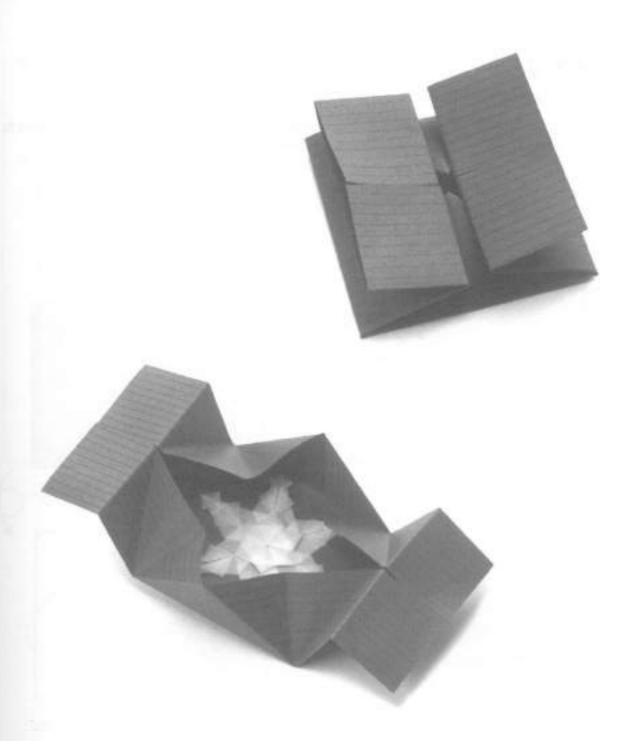


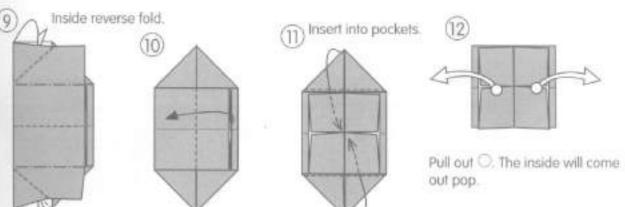
Card 2

(Pictured on page 10)

Appropriate paper size: 21 x 30 cm (8 ½ x 12°) or 18 x 26 cm (7 x 10°) When opened, the inside suddenly comes out pop. You will find the opening mechanics interesting.

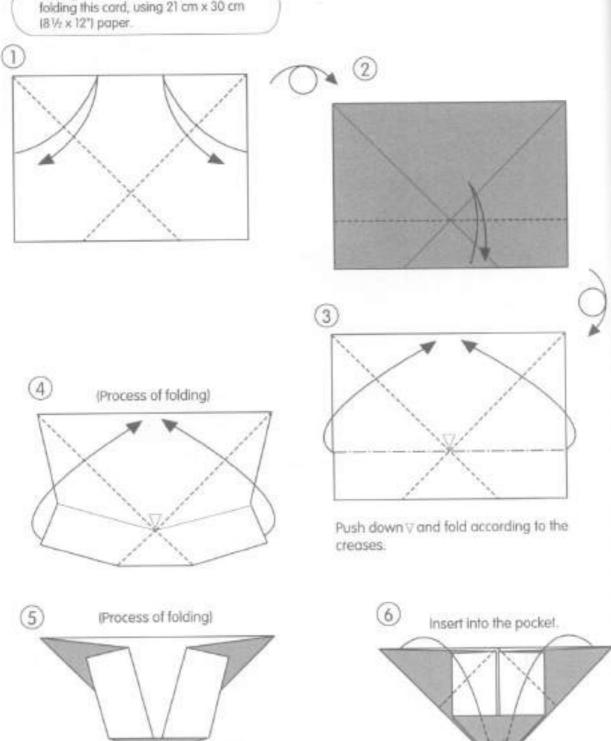






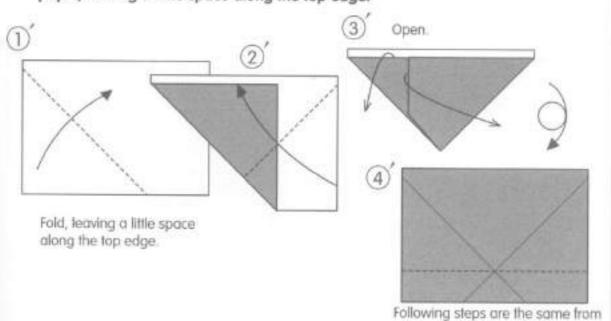
This card has many uses. Fix the card with a variety of stoppers to represent the season and events.

To begin with, you had better practice folding this card, using 21 cm x 30 cm

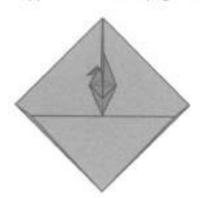


To ensure easy opening and closing

Step 6. When the paper is thick, it is hard to insert the tips. In that case, fold the paper, leaving a little space along the top edge.

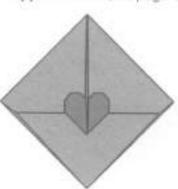


A stopper of crane (see page 38)

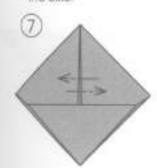


A stopper of heart (see page 44)

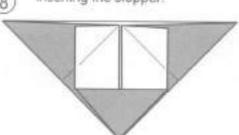
step 3 on the left page.



Insert a stopper between the slits.

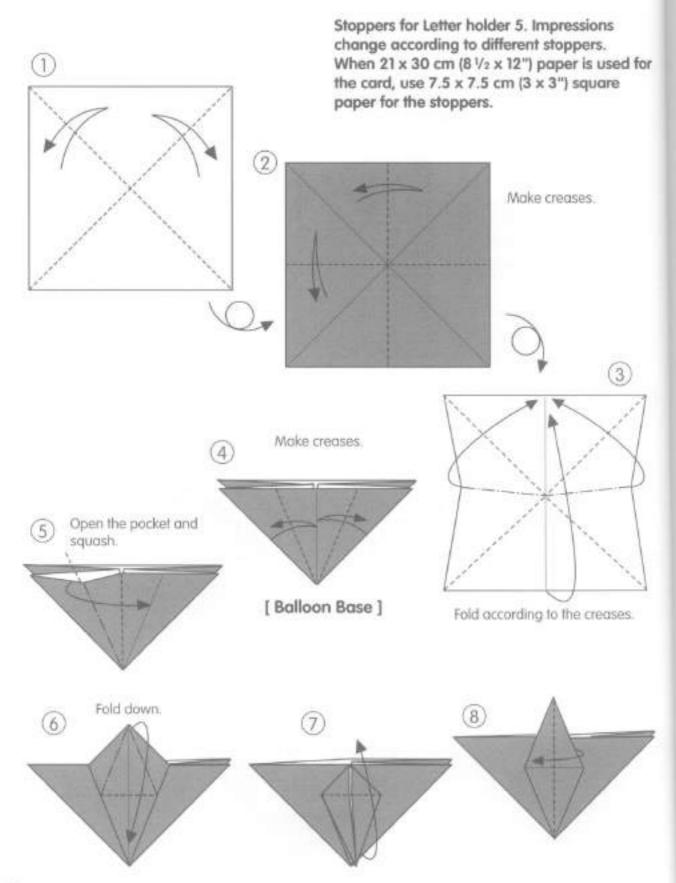


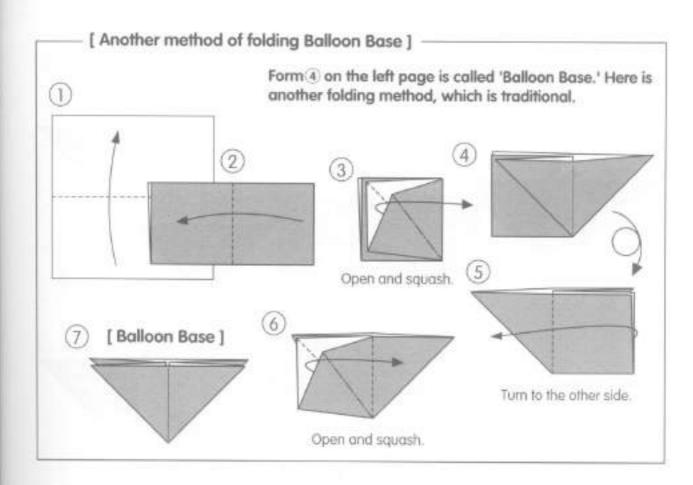
Open like step (6) when inserting the stopper.

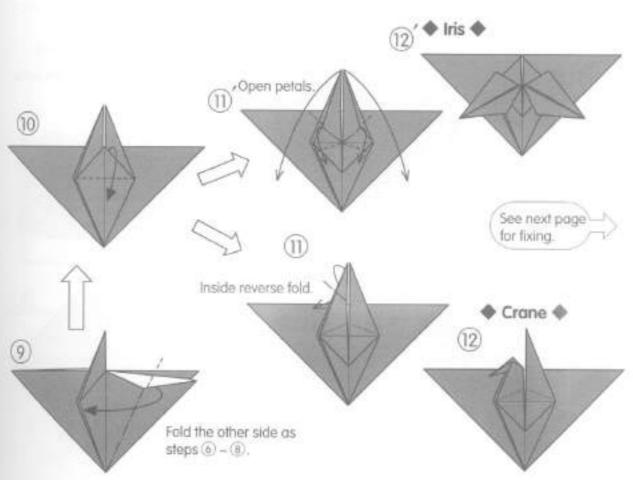


Stoppers Crane & Iris

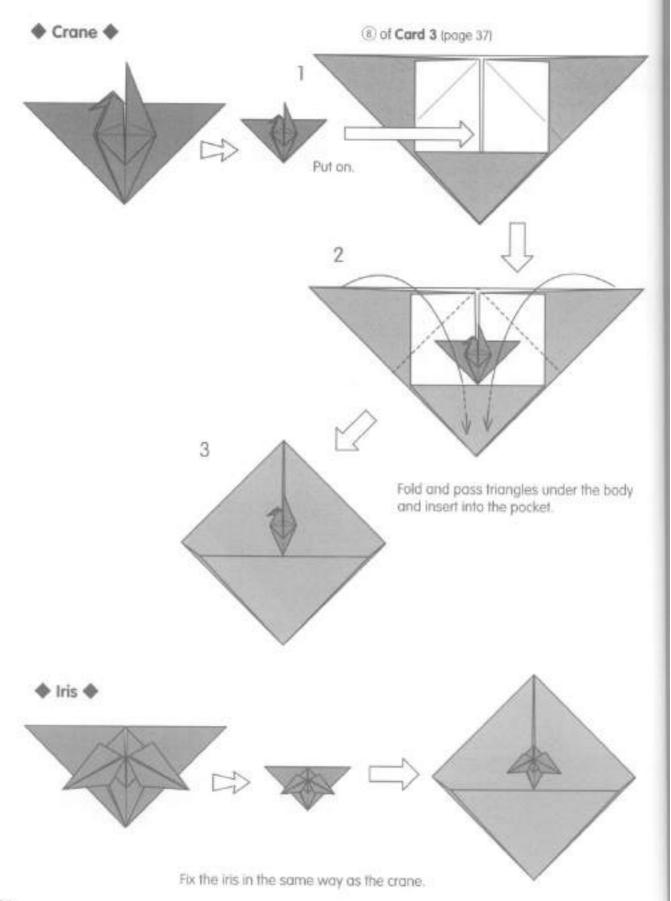
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[How to fix]



Stopper Carnation

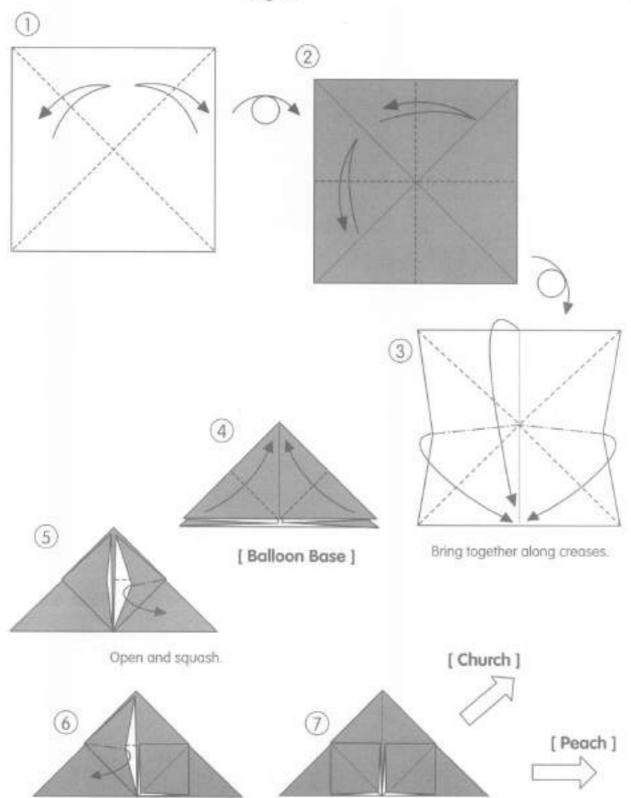
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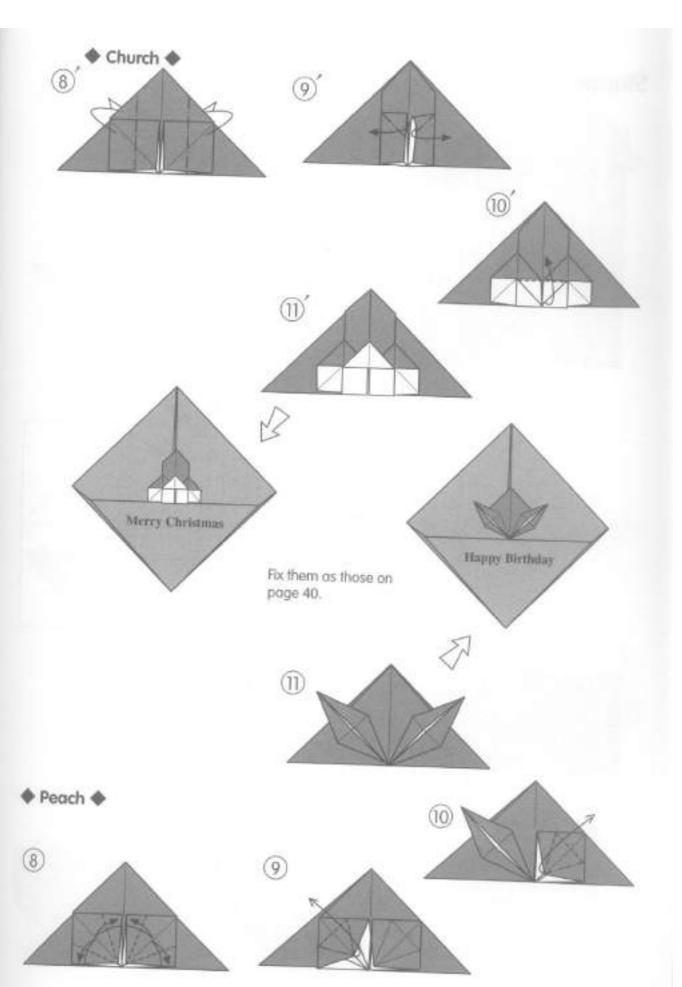
1 This card is good for Mother's Day. Pleat. (3) Make creases. Cut zigzag edges with pinking shears. Push down abla and fold both sides together. Write your message on the surface. Mother's Day Thank you. Open the petals. Fix the flower as those on the left page.

Stoppers Peach & Church

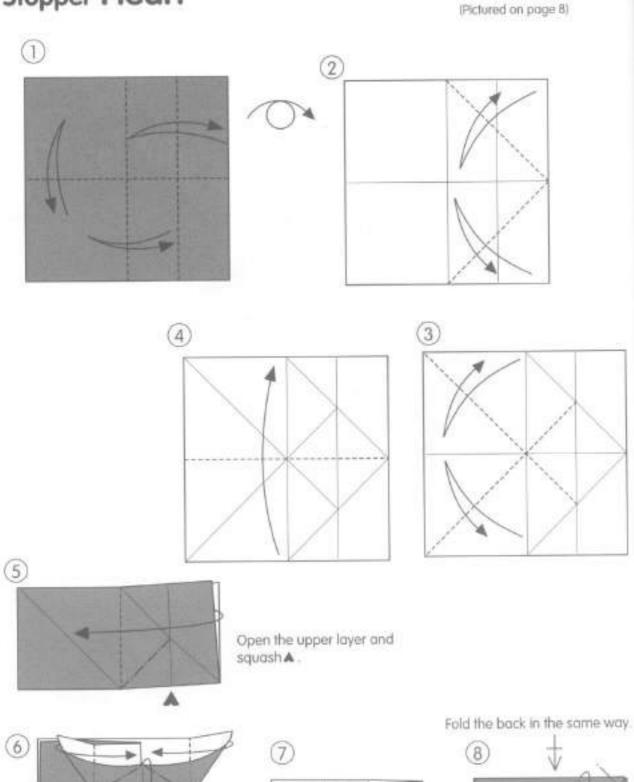
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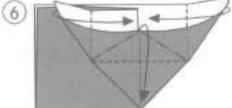
'Peach' is suitable for someone's birthday and 'church' for Christmas. Both are applications of traditional origami.



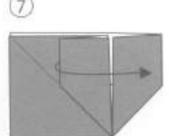


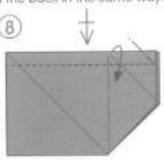
Stopper Heart

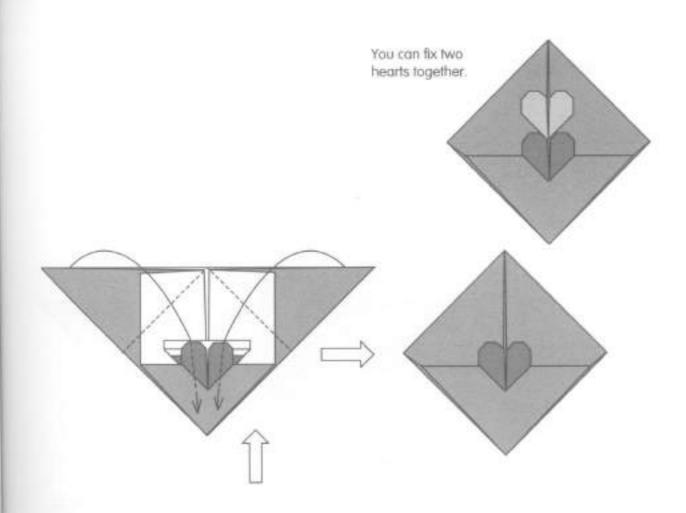




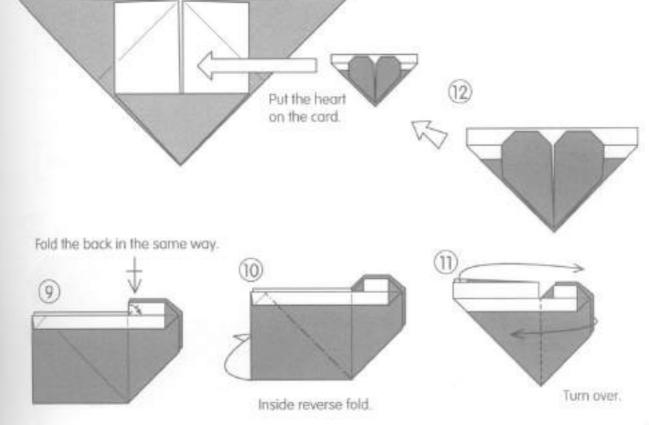
Bring down the upper layer and fold both sides.





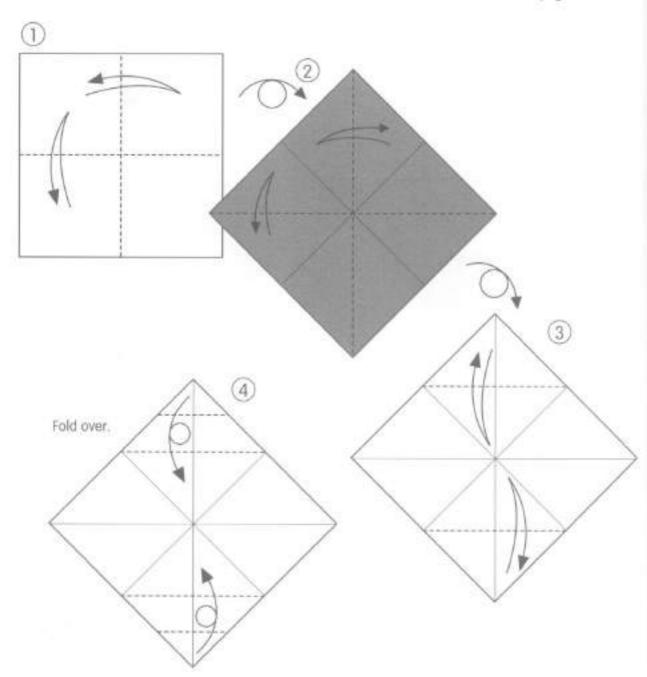




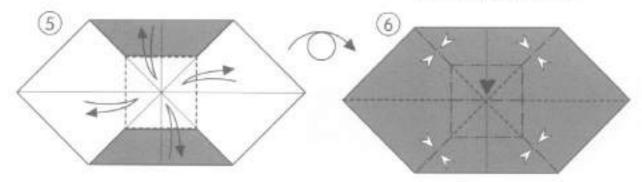


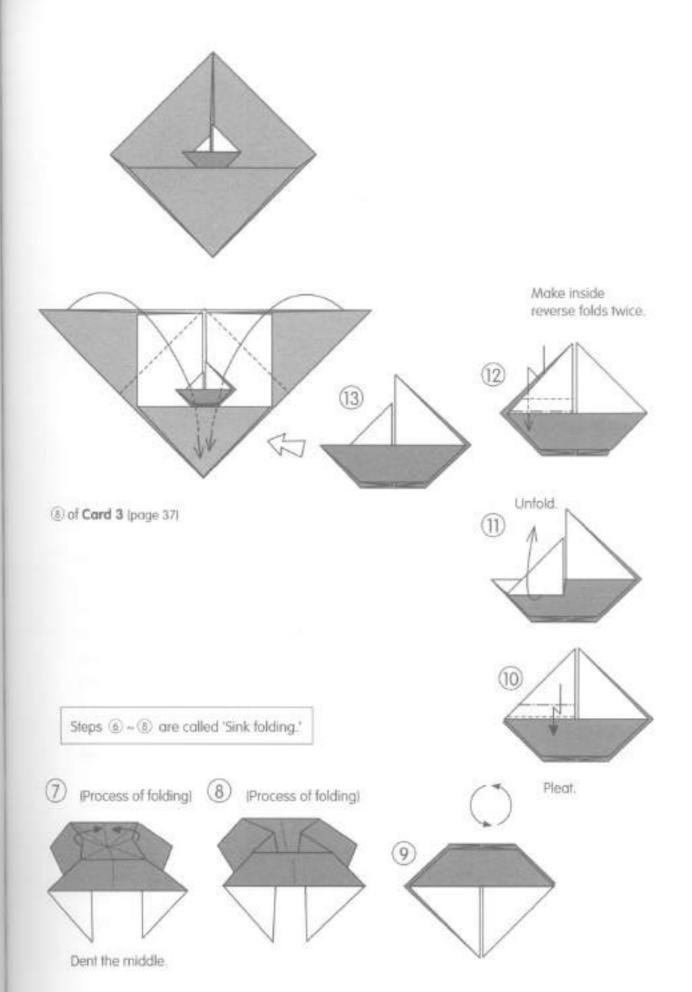
Stopper Sailboat

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A Source of Energy

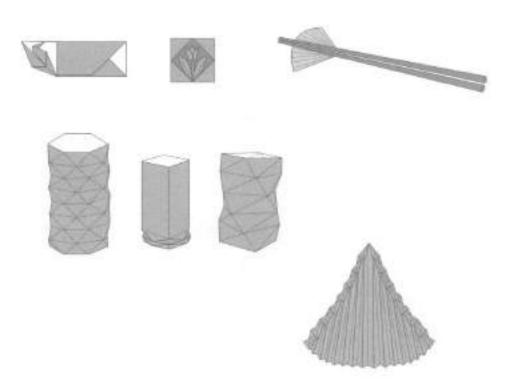
There is a great difference in origami devotee's ages. Enthusiastic adult origami lovers bend all their energies to origami.

They like to teach and be taught. They give joy to other people and derive joy from what they do. When they meet difficulty in the process of folding, they have to deal with it by themselves or with the help of others. When the difficulty is cleared up, they are satisfied. 'I see,' they will say to themselves, and they feel something run through their body. It will be a kind of hormone. It will relieve you and bring a smile to your face. When you completed a superb work, something like that hormone spread through your body and a contented smile will break over your face.

Most of the origami does not require a lot of time to fold, though it depends on the work. In the course of folding this and that, the hormone exudes slowly. A little exudation of the hormone per day (not necessarily every day) will be good for the health. This will become a source of your energy.

Chapter 2

For Use and Decoration



Adventure with various pieces of paper

----- The joy of using and decorating

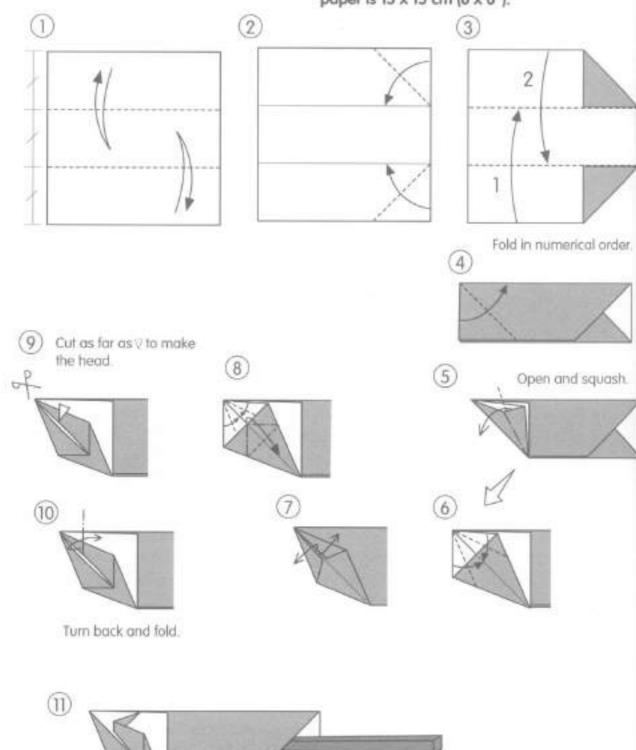
This chapter introduces such articles useful for our daily life as chopstick cases, coasters, and vase covers. One of the delights of origami is to make use of the folded works for practical and decorative purposes.

The material of origami is paper, so we can easily handle it. If you choose different paper, you can obtain different effect. Try to use a variety of paper, sometimes boldly choosing loud one and sometimes quiet one as the case may be.

Chopstick Case with a Crane

(Pictured on page 11)

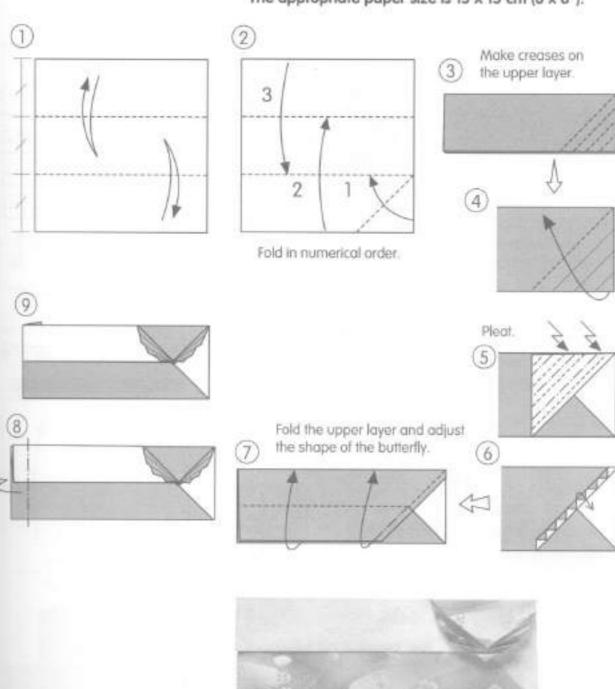
This chopstick with a crane is suitable for a ceremonial occasion. The appropriate size of paper is 15×15 cm (6×6 ").



Chopstick Case with a Butterfly

(Pictured on page 11)

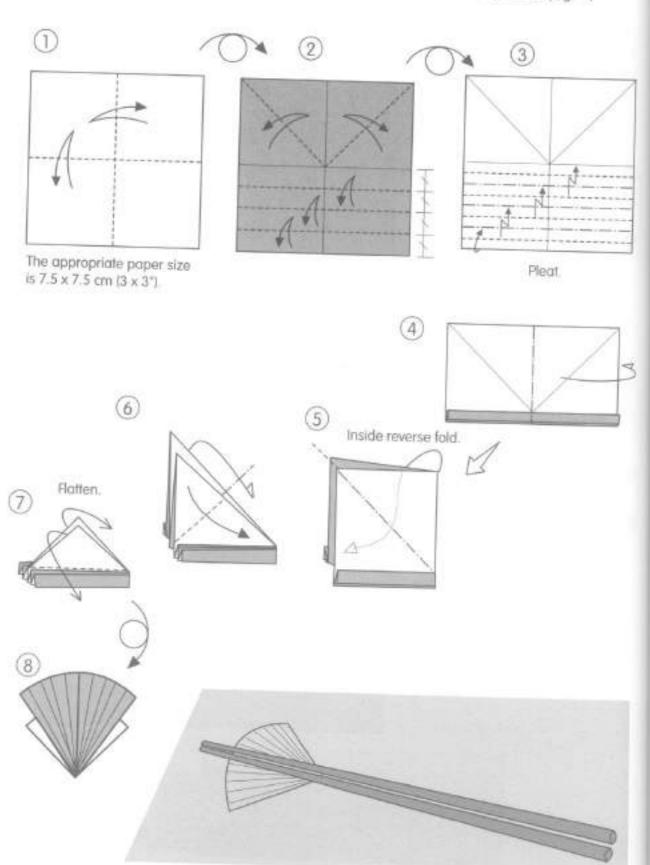
The appropriate paper size is 15 x 15 cm (6 x 6").





Chopstick Rest of a Fan

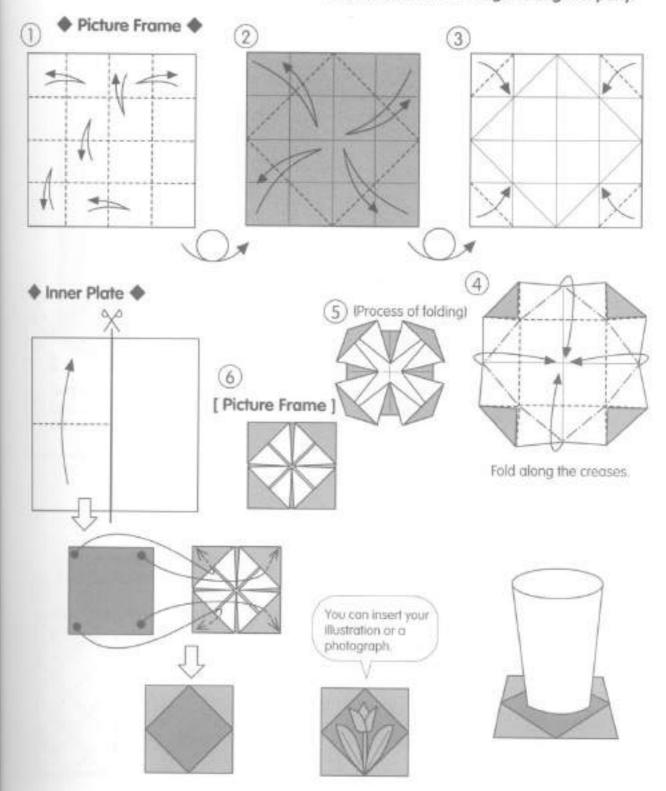
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Coaster of a Picture Frame

(Pictured on page 18)

Insert another paper in the 'Picture Frame' to make a coaster. It is so simple that you can make a lot of coasters easily. Put your idea into the work and arrange a delightful party.

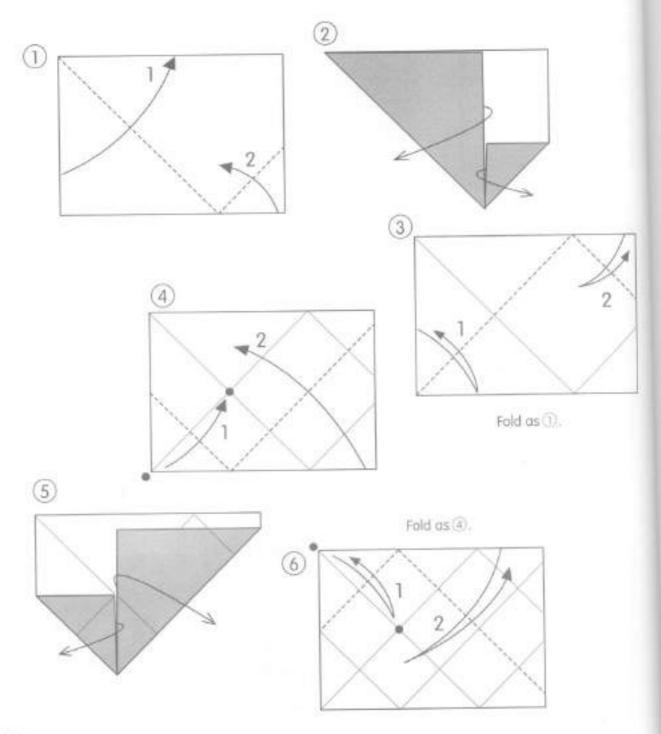


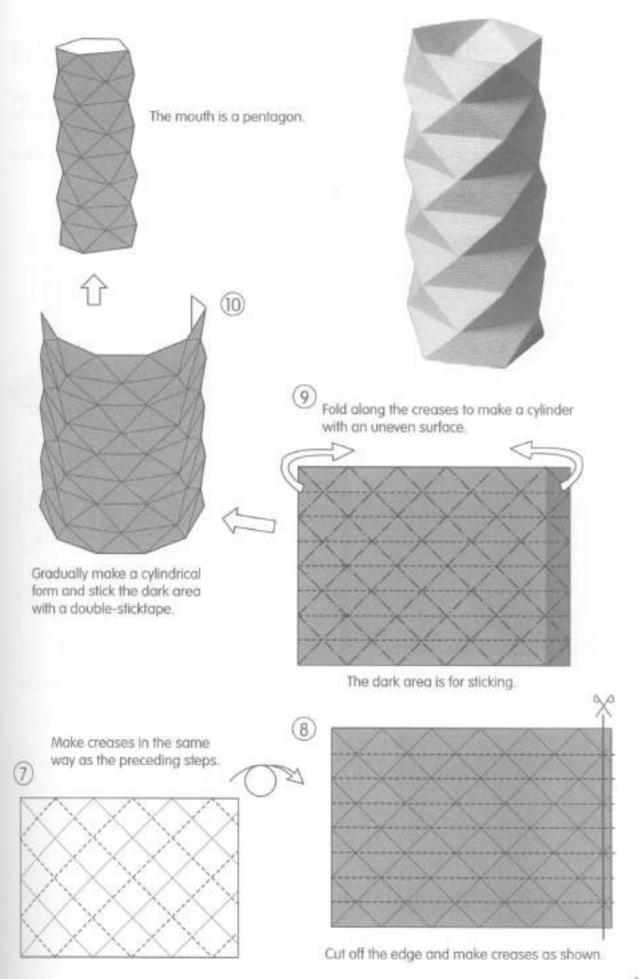
Flower Vase Cover 1

(Pictured on pages 12~13)

When arranging flowers in a glass, you can put a cover on it. Select paper and make an elegant cover like this. You had better practice folding by using 21 x 30 cm (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 12") paper, before deciding the size and height of the cover. The method is simple and you will be familiar with it.

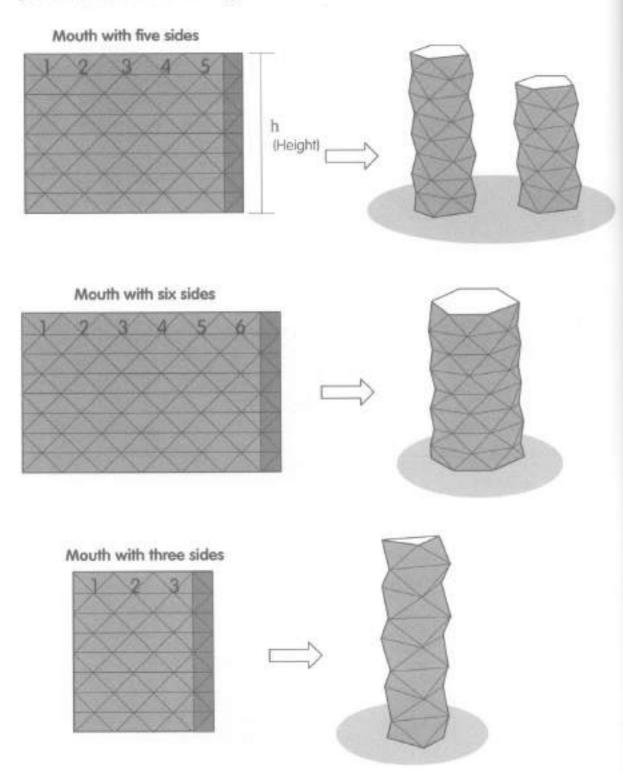
If you use large nonflammable paper, you can apply it to a lampshade.





The Size and Shape of Paper

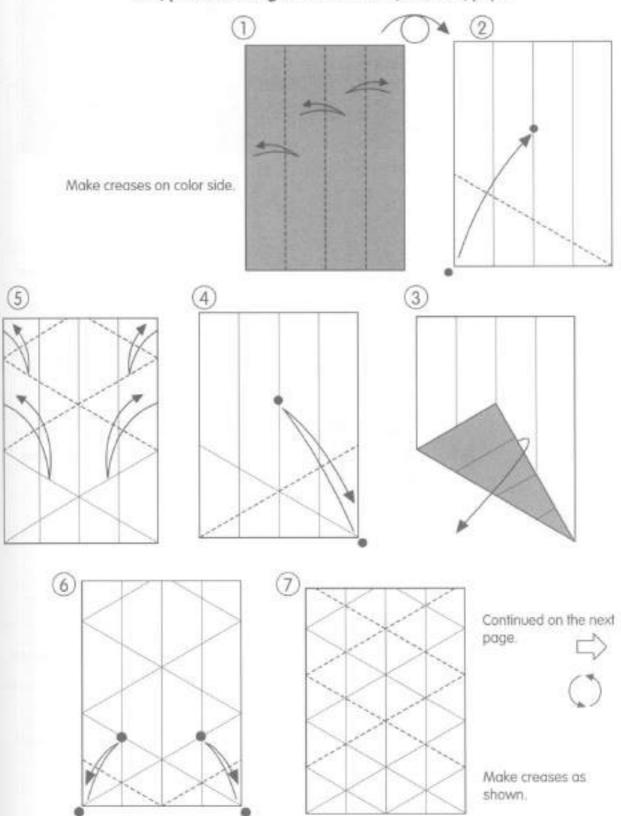
The height and mouth shape of 'Vase Cover 1 and 2' become different according to paper sizes. As shown below, the number of triangles is equivalent to the number of sides of the mouth. If the sides of the mouth of 'Vase Cover 1' are more than seven, the surface becomes smoother, so three to six are appropriate number. If you lengthen the (h) below, you can make the vase cover higher.

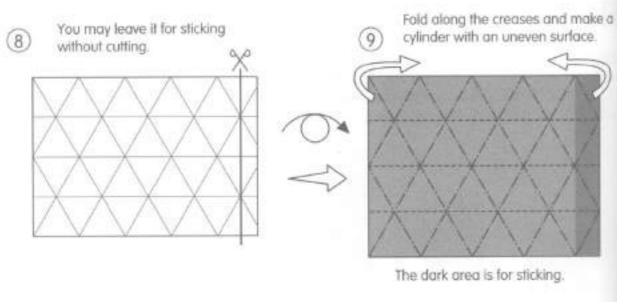


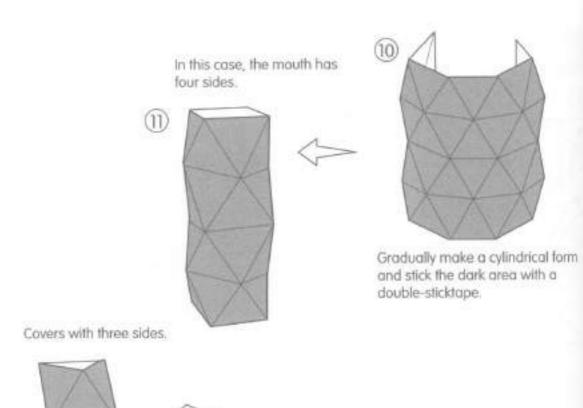
Flower Vase Cover 2

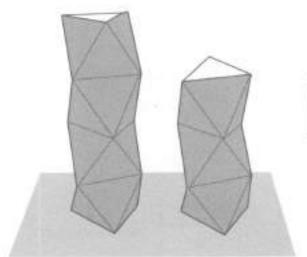
(Pictured on page 13)

This vase cover is composed of lines folded at an angle of 60 degrees. First, practice folding with 21 x 30 cm (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 12") paper.









If the mouth has more than five sides, the surface becomes less uneven, so three or four sides are proper for 'Vase Cover 2.' (Refer to page 56)

Flower Vase Cover with Spring-like Bottom

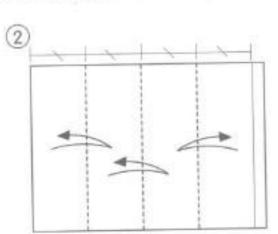
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The vase has pleats as if it is compressed from above. You can make as many pleats as you like. It is also possible to make the pleats in the middle.

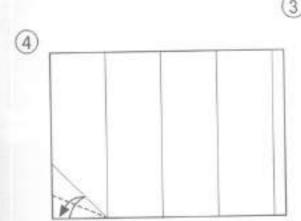
First, practice folding with 21 x 30 cm ($8 \frac{1}{2}$ x 12") paper.



Make a crease about 1 cm away from the edge to mark the area for sticking.

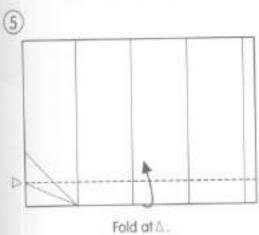


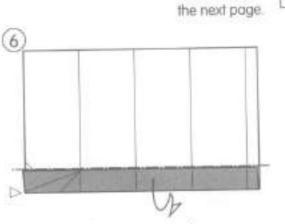
Make creases to divide the paper into four equal parts.



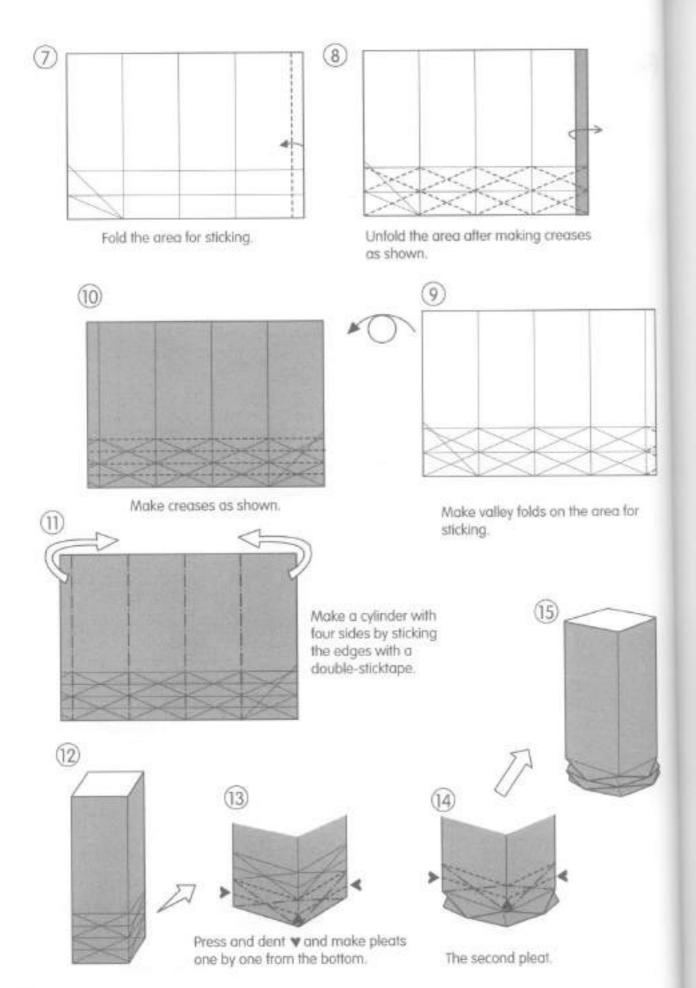
Make a crease as shown.

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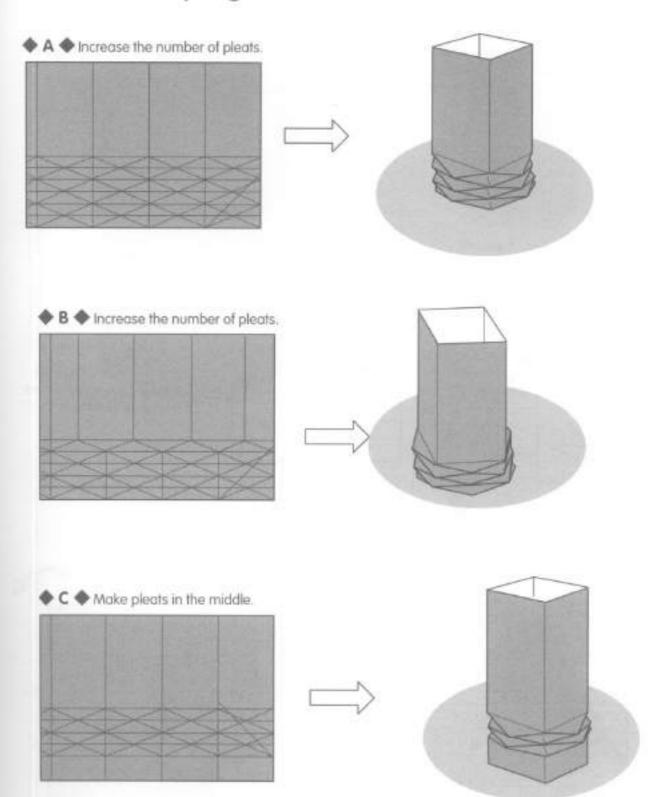




Make a crease as shown.



Variations of Spring-like Cover

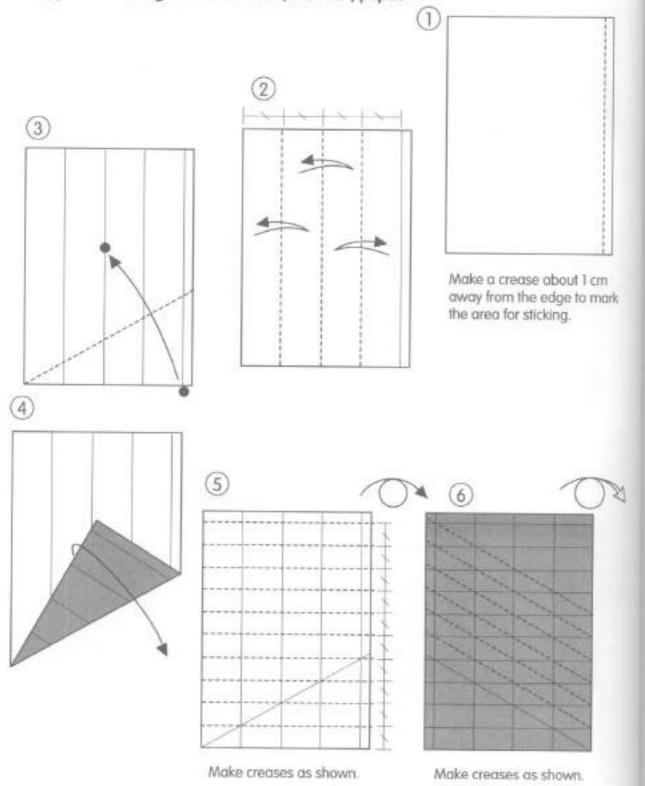


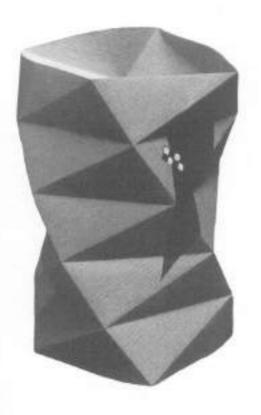
Spiral Flower Vase Cover

(Pictured on page 13)

It will be wonderful to use this vase as an objet d'art instead of flower vase cover. Once you mastered the folding method, try to make a vase of your own, adjusting the size and height, as you desire.

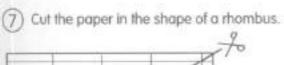
First, practice folding with 21 x 30 cm (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 12") paper.

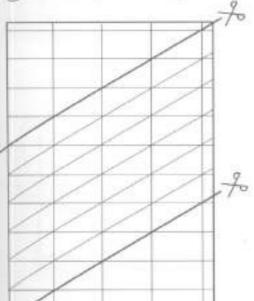


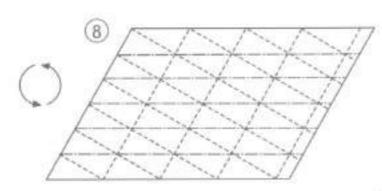




Gradually make a cylindrical form and stick the edges with a double-sticktape.







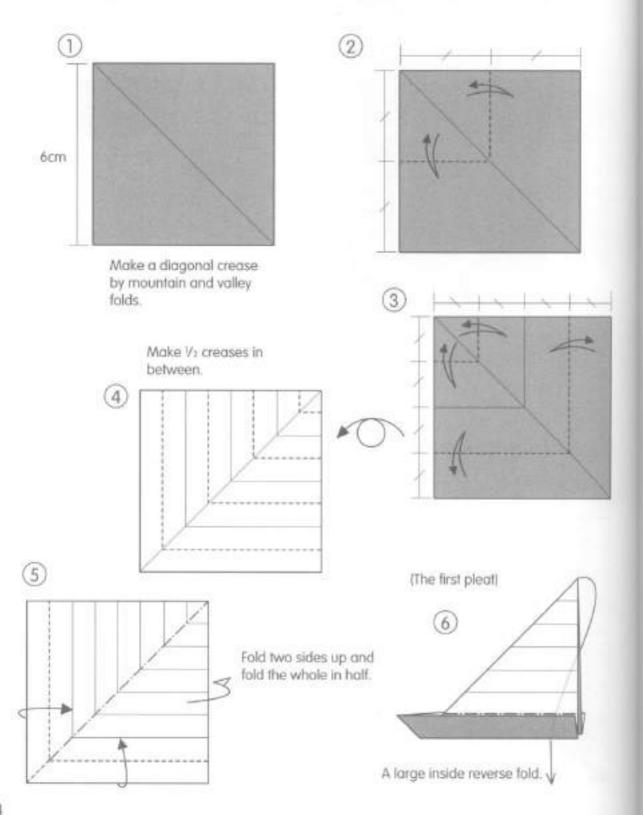
Fold along the creases to make a cylinder with an uneven surface.

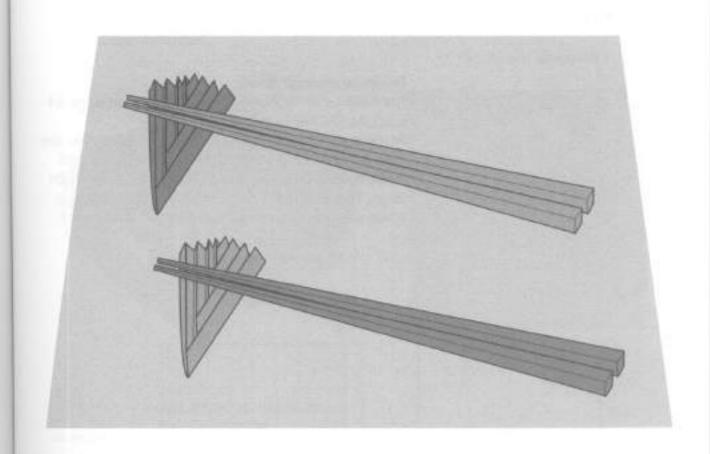
V-shape Chopstick Rest

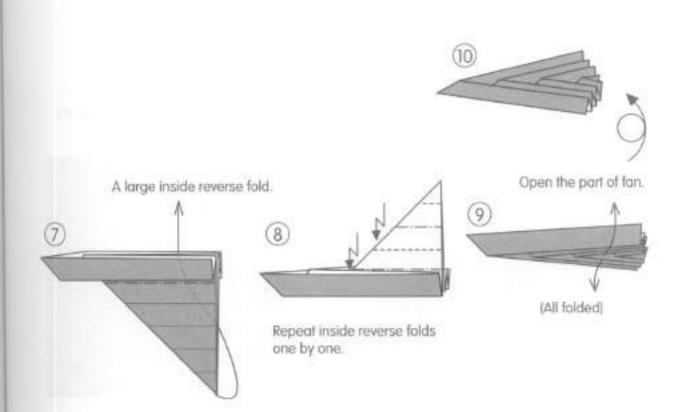
(Pictured on page 11)

The method of this chopstick rest will be useful for preparing 'HANA' on page 66 and 'Balalaika' on page 69.

You can make a proper size of rest from 6 x 6 cm (2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") paper.



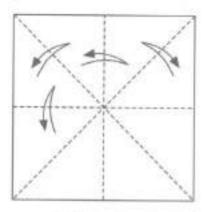




HANA

(Pictured on page 21)

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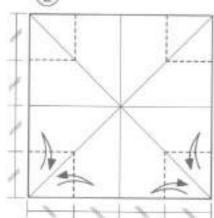


This is an abstract flower.

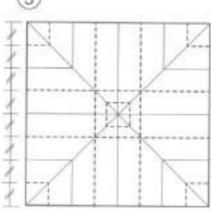
The method of 'V-Shape Chopstick Rest' on page 64 is applied to the four corners.

Practice with 15 x 15 cm (6 x 6") paper. When you are accustomed to this method, double the pleats and make them thinner as shown in the box on the right page. The work will become more gorgeous. Even when using large paper, thinner pleats look better.

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(3)

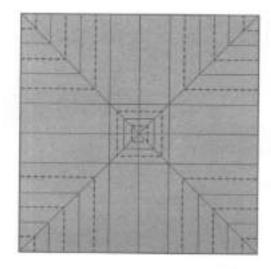


Make creases as shown.

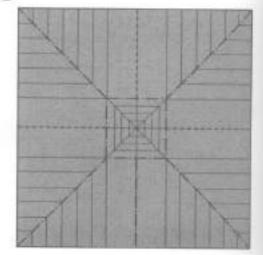
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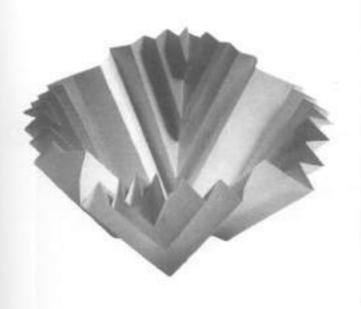
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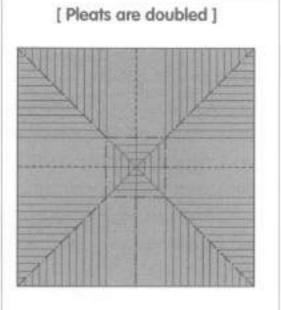
Make creases as shown.



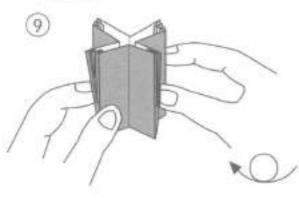
Pinch the four corners and raise the center square like a table.



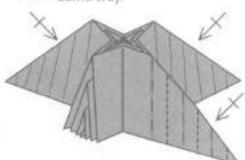




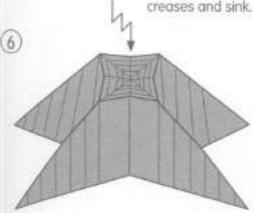
Hold sides crosswise as shown and gradually open, changing the hold.

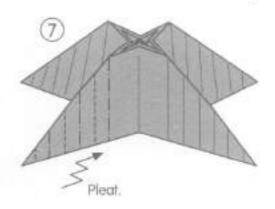


Pleat the other parts in the same way.



Pleat the center along the creases and sink.





The Idea and Joy of Origami

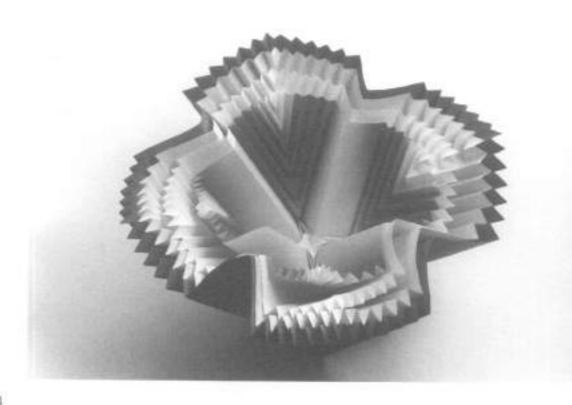
I released this 'HANA' in a magazine long ago. Four years after the publication, I gave an exhibition of my own works at the Ueda-sozo hall and taught this 'HANA' at the class. I told the students that it would be possible to make 'HANA' with five and six sides besides the four-side one. One of the students then surprised me by telling me that she had already made beautiful 'HANA' with five, six and eight sides. I was surprised again when I received the photographs of the works that had been sent several days later.

They were original 'HANA' layered with different sizes of paper. They were unimaginably beautiful. The idea and joy of origami are thus limitless.

HANA with four layers

The pleat is doubled. (Box on page 67)

The sizes of paper: 24 cm |9 ½"), 21 cm (8 ¼"), 18 cm (7"), 15 cm (6")

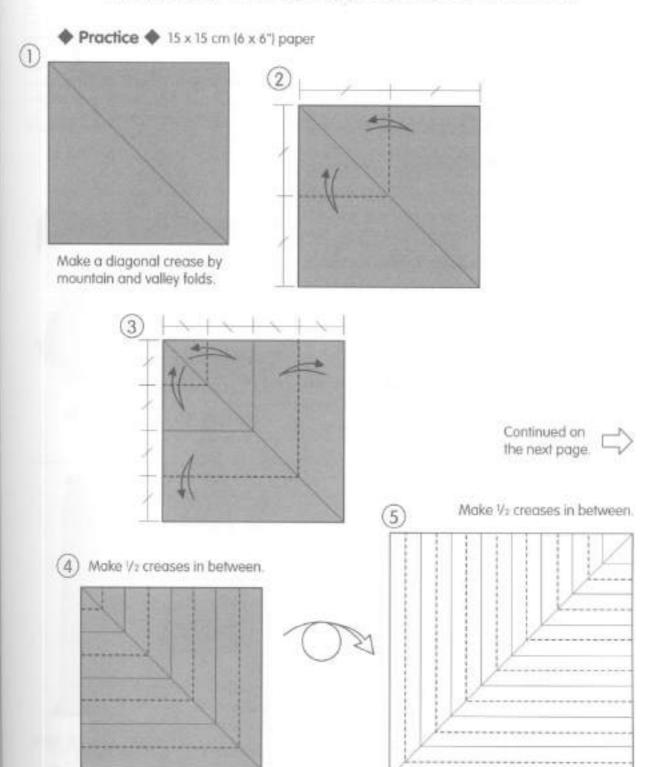


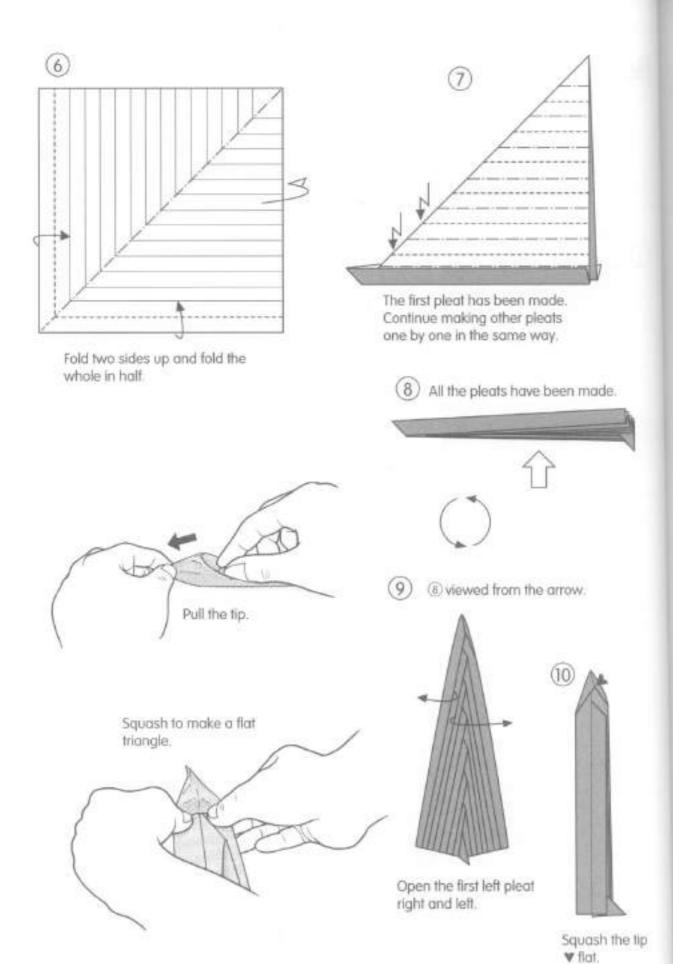
Balalaika

(Pictured on page 22)

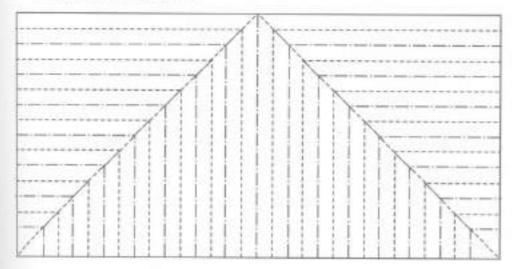
It is interesting as an objet d'art.

If you employ nonflammable materials, it will be used a lampshade. It will be difficult to fold the 'Balalaika' for the first time, so start with $15 \times 15 \text{ cm } (6 \times 6")$ paper for practice. Later you may join the two pieces for 'Balalaika.'





[Unfolded Balalaika]





Completed Balalaika

'Balalaika' is made from rectangular paper that is as large as two pieces of square paper, and it is the same as two (4) of practice are joined. Fold flat and then open.

It may be used as an objet d'art as it is. When using as a lampshade, glue the bottom of the back to prevent the leakage of light and make a hole on top for air.

Once you have mastered the method, try to double the pleats as on the following page. When using paper larger than 30 cm (12"), it would be better to double the pleats.



Squash the second tip flat.

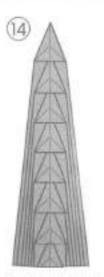


Squash the other tips in order.

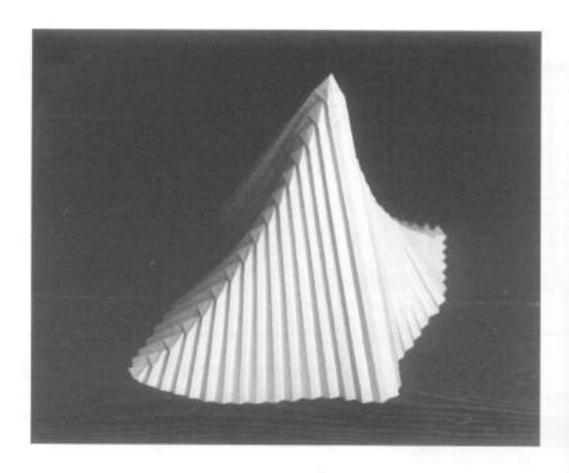


(13)

Fold in the tip.



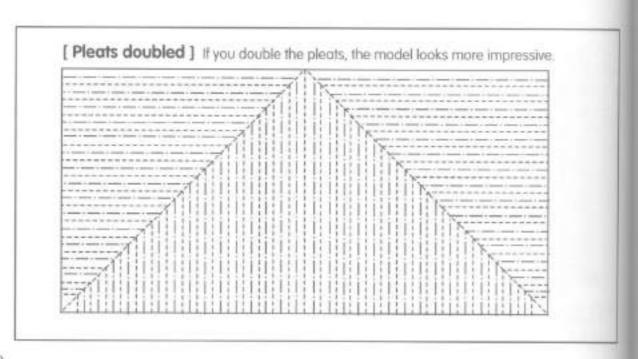
Practice finished.



The Beauty of Lines

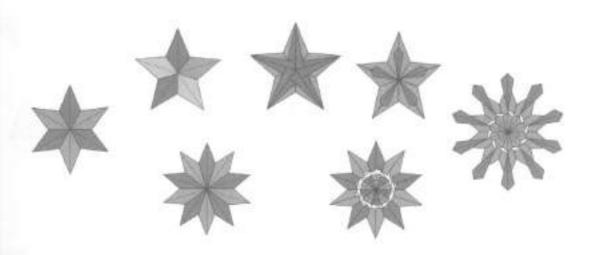
You can make lines easily by 'folding.' The main constituent of origami is lines. A set of them, sometimes curved or spiraled, produces the characteristic beauty.

I think it is something that is induced or found out rather than artificially produced. That will be the reason why the model with outstanding lines seems light, though it looks complicated.



Chapter 3

Twinkling Stars



The Wonder of Combination

----- What does it look like?

Some origami is intended to duplicate the shape of an object faithfully, while other traditional origami does not assume concrete shape and relies on the imagination

of viewers. Mr. Seiji Nishikawa emphasized the importance of this imagination. For instance, those who do not know 'fukusuke' (a popular toy in the shape of a dwarf with a big head) will imagine a different object when they see the shape.

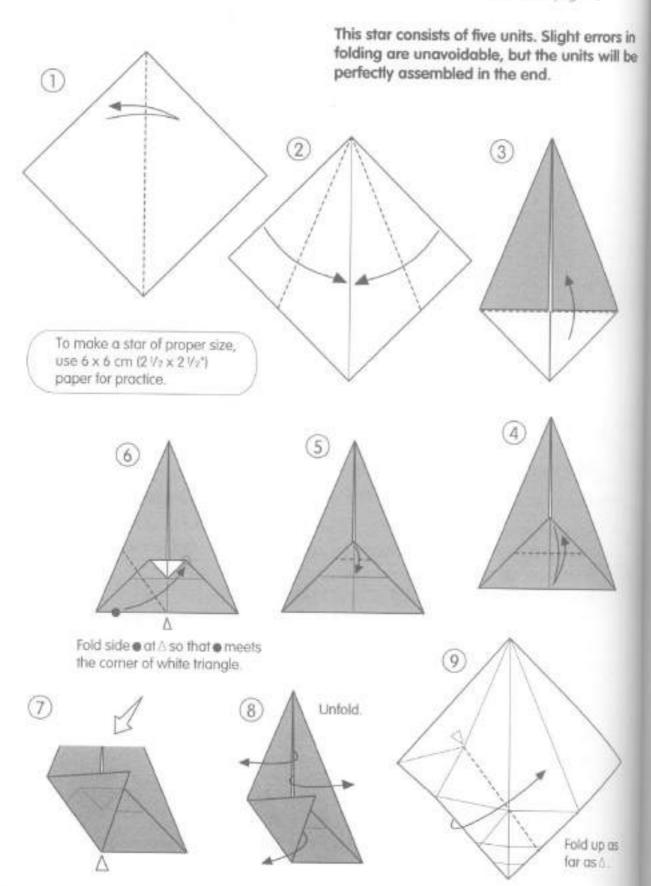


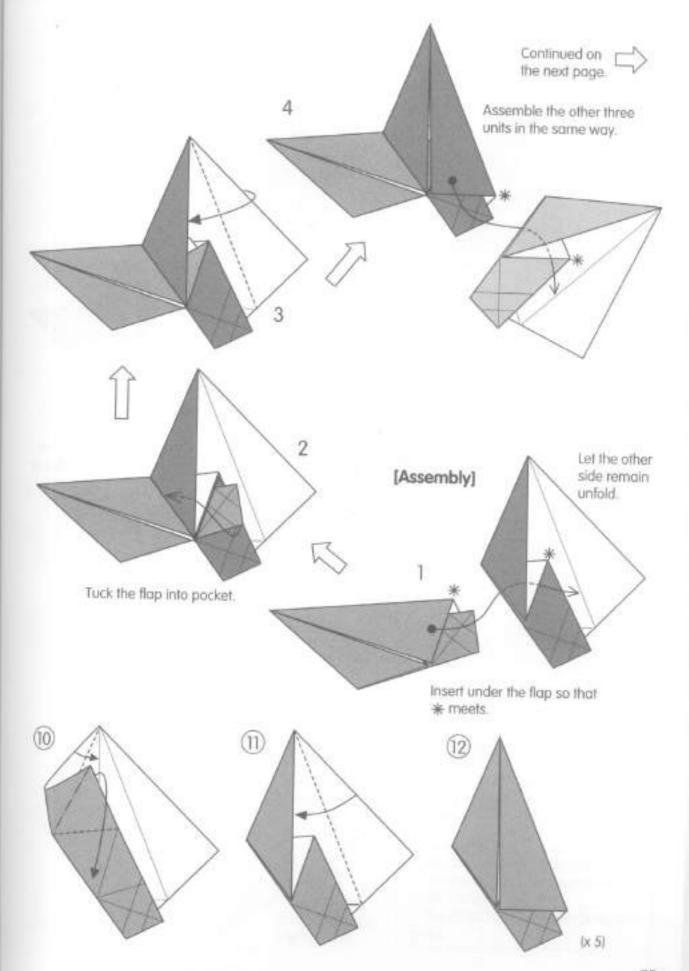
In the case of traditional Spanish origami, 'pajalita (bow tie),' it is said that it suggests a small bird.

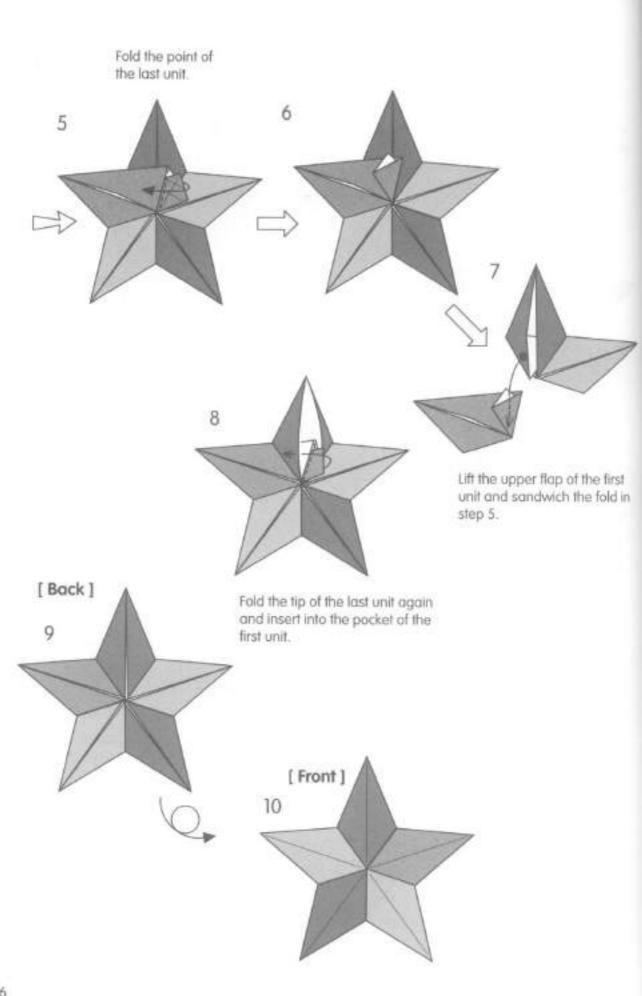
In this chapter, I introduced units of stars that have flat shapes. Each model is interesting respectively, but if you attach some other parts it will become gorgeous.

Here is the wander of combination, which only unit origami has. If you use proper paper, you can make fireworks, flowers and snow crystals. Some models can be used for ornaments of Christmas and the Star Festival and as decorations and accessories of wrapper. Use your imagination.

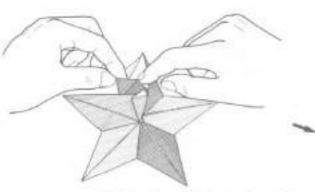
Pentagonal Star







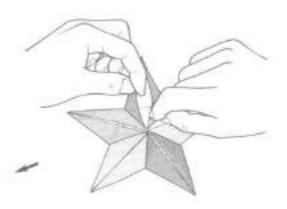
How to fix the last unit

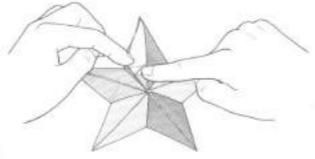


Fold the tip of the last unit again and insert in between of the flap of the first unit.



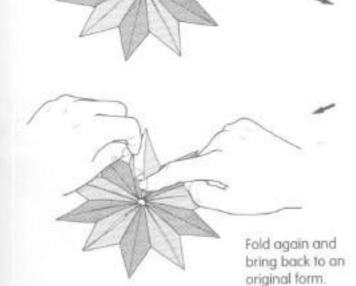
Lift the upper flap of the first unit and sandwich the tip of the last unit.





Decagonal Star

Insert finger deep and lift.



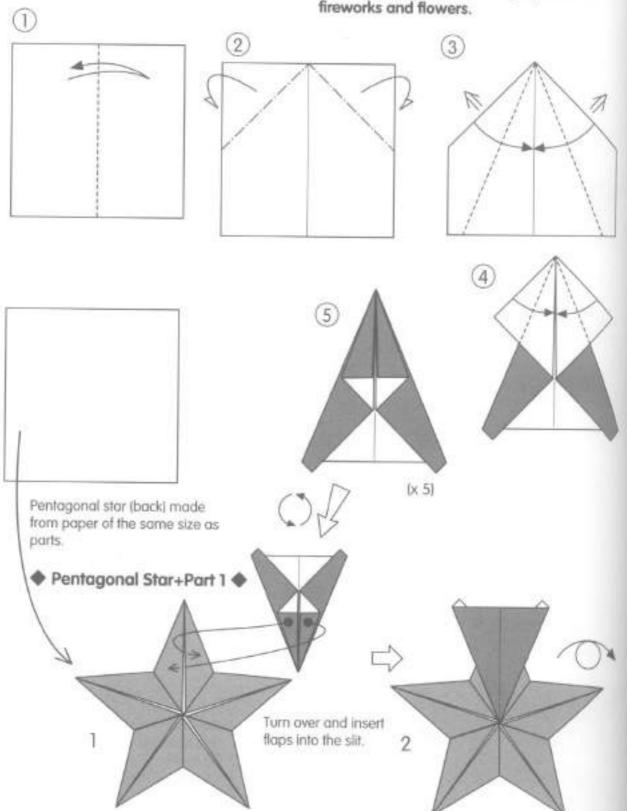


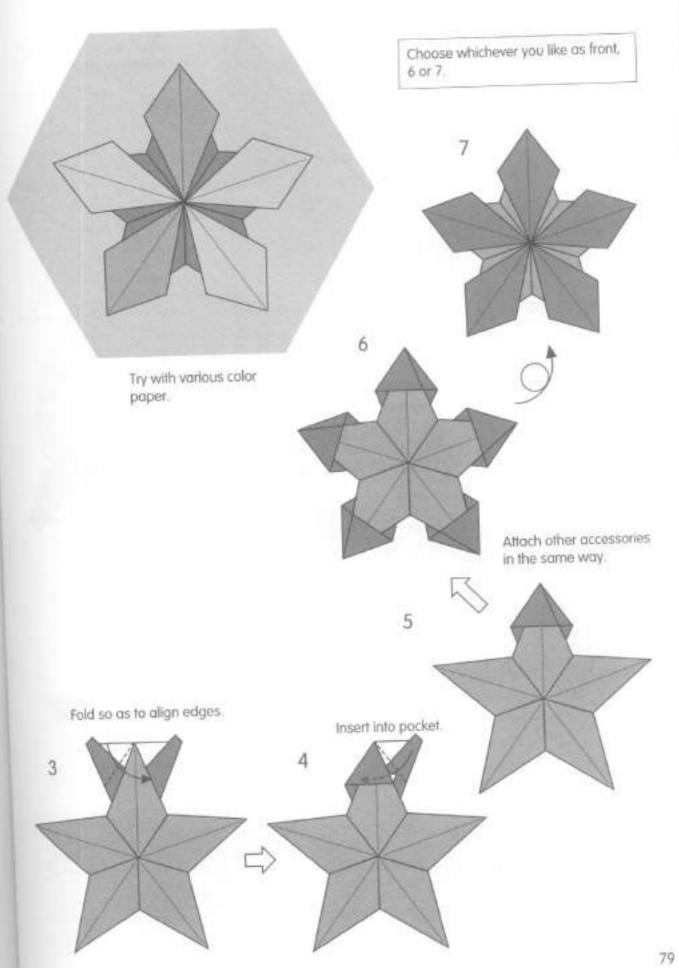
The fixing method of the last unit of pentagonal and decagonal stars is the same.

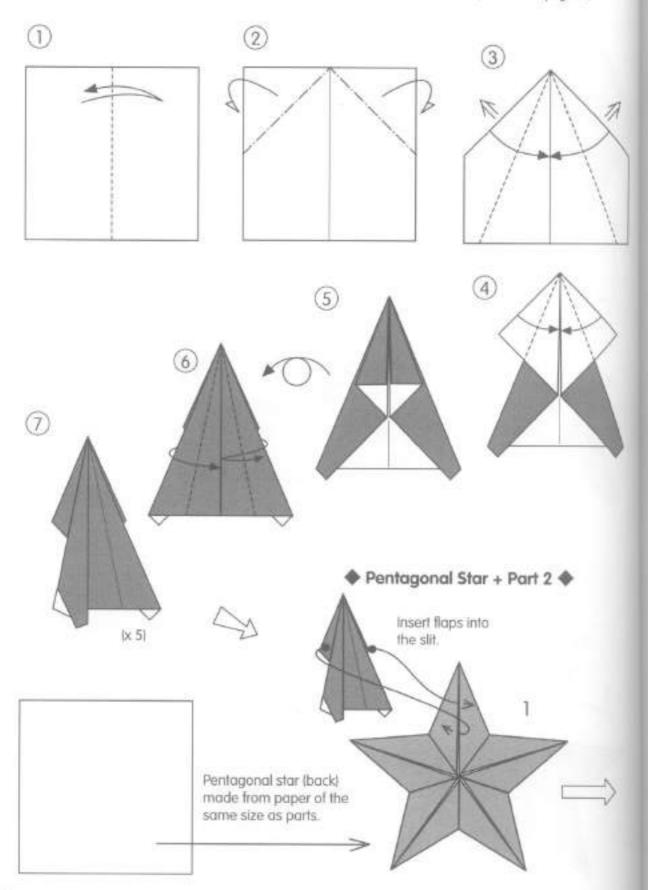
See page 91 for fixing the decagonal star.

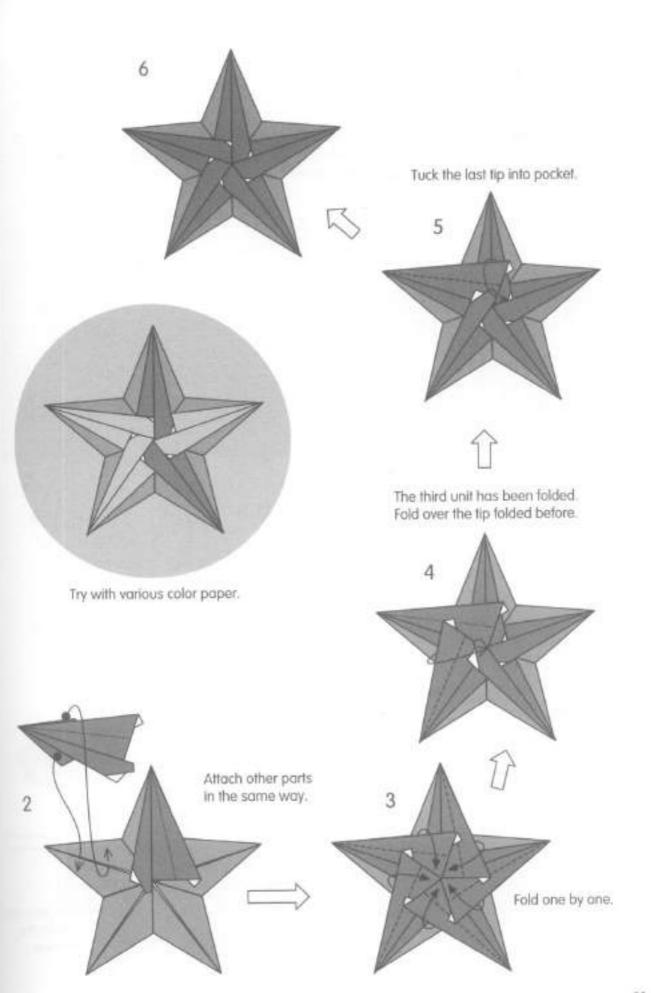
(Pictured on page 15)

Insert various parts in pentagonal and decagonal stars. They look gorgeous like fireworks and flowers.



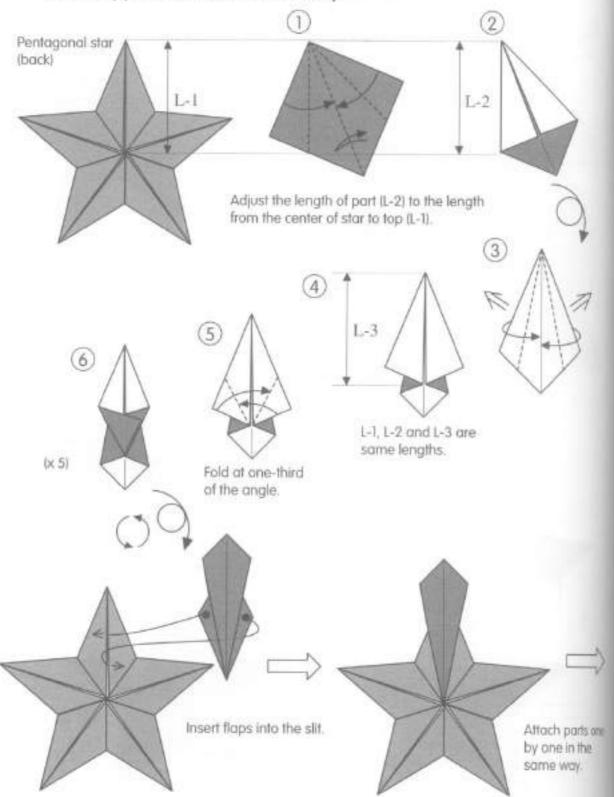


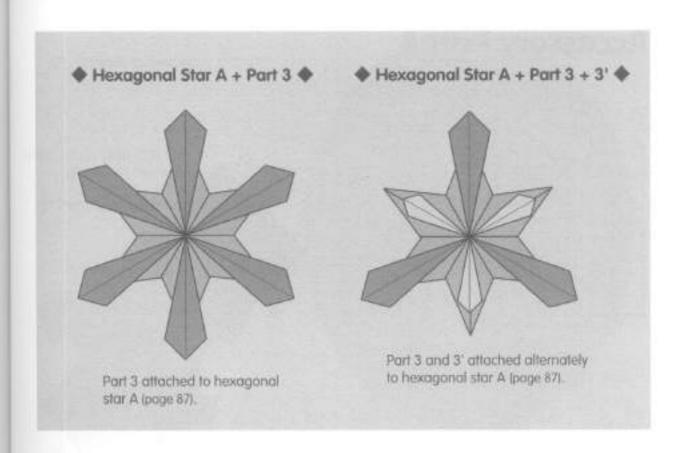


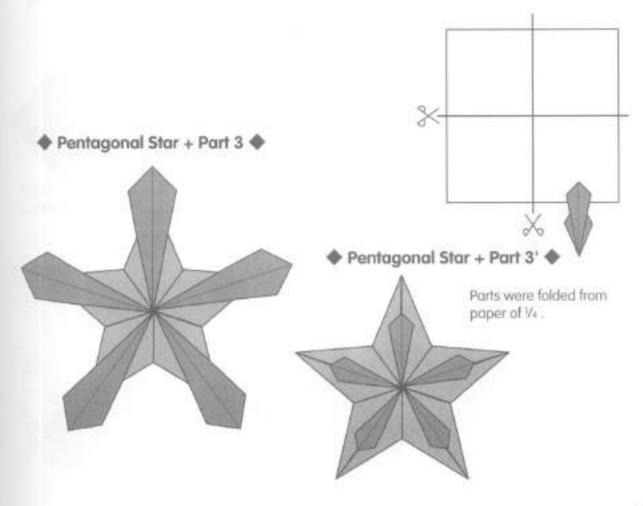


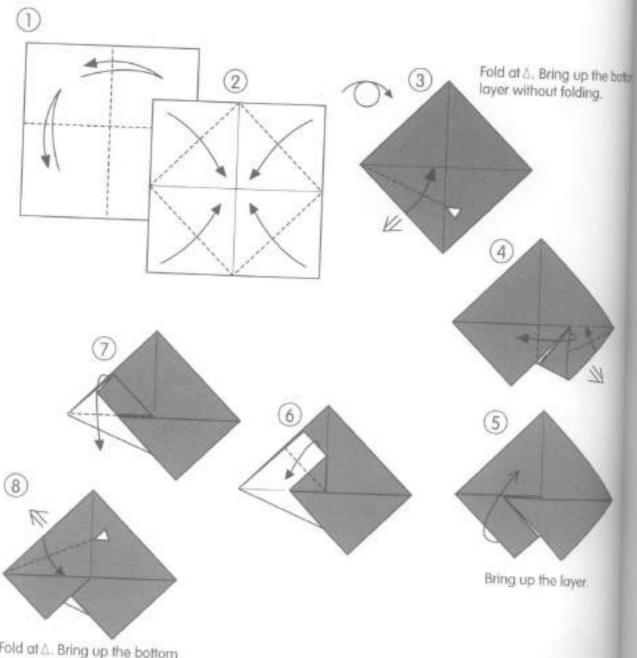
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If you get precise measurements of parts as shown below, you can make a firm and solid star. If you use paper of 1/4, it easily comes off, so a dab of glue on necessary parts will ensure firm assembly.

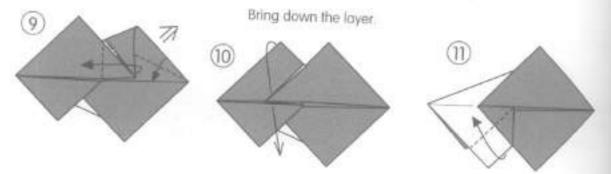








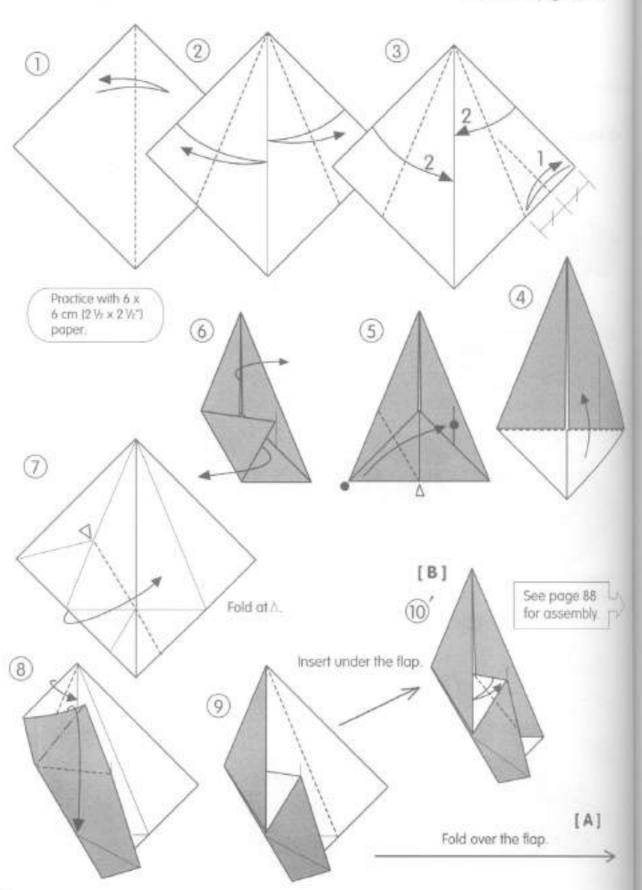
Fold at A. Bring up the bottom layer without folding.

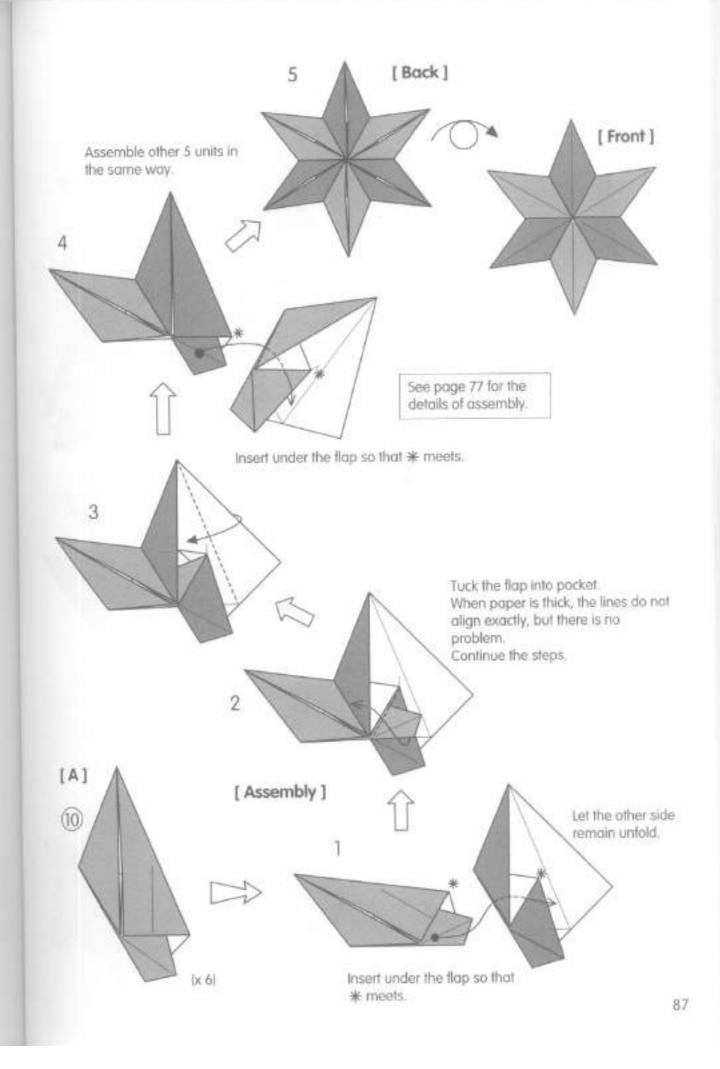


♦ Hexagonal Star A+Part 4 ♦ Pentagonal Star + Part 4 🔷 Part 4 attached alternately to hexagonal star A (page 87). Turn over and insert flaps into the slit. Attach other parts in the same way (13) Pentagonal star (back) made from paper of the same size (x 5) as parts.

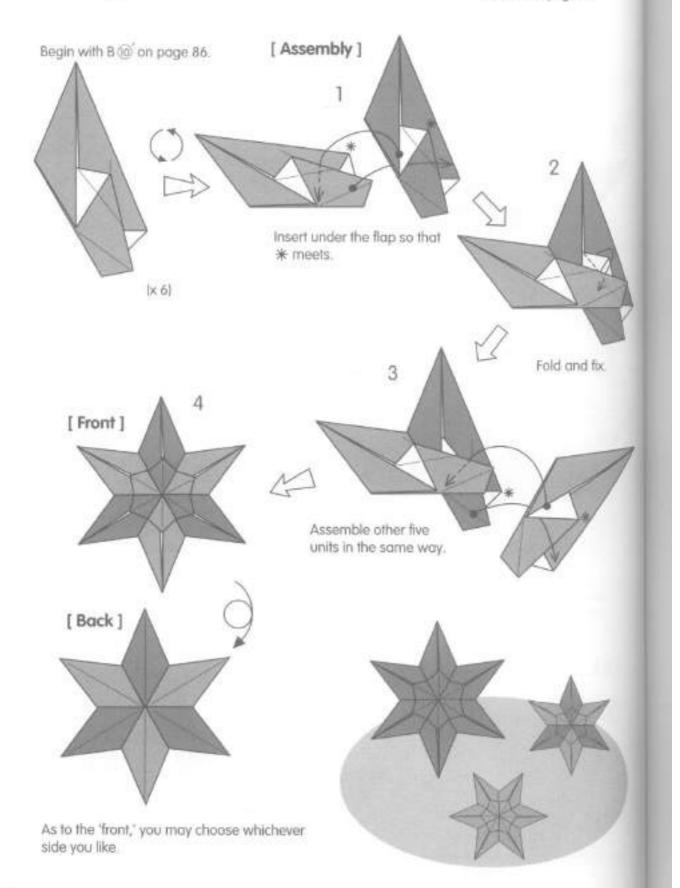
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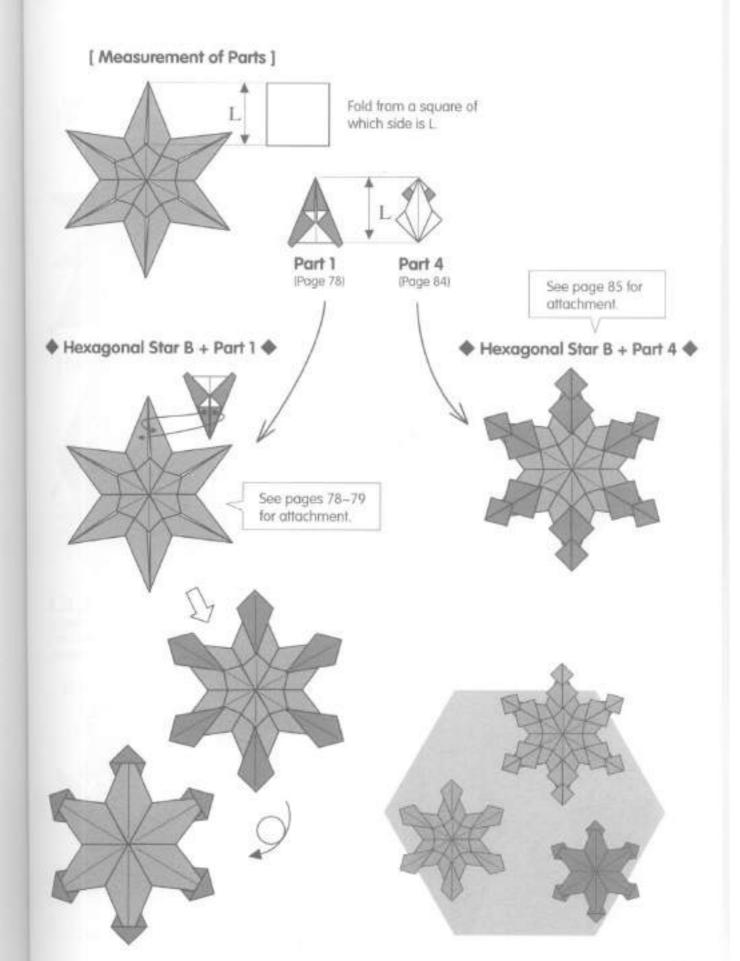
Hexagonal Star A



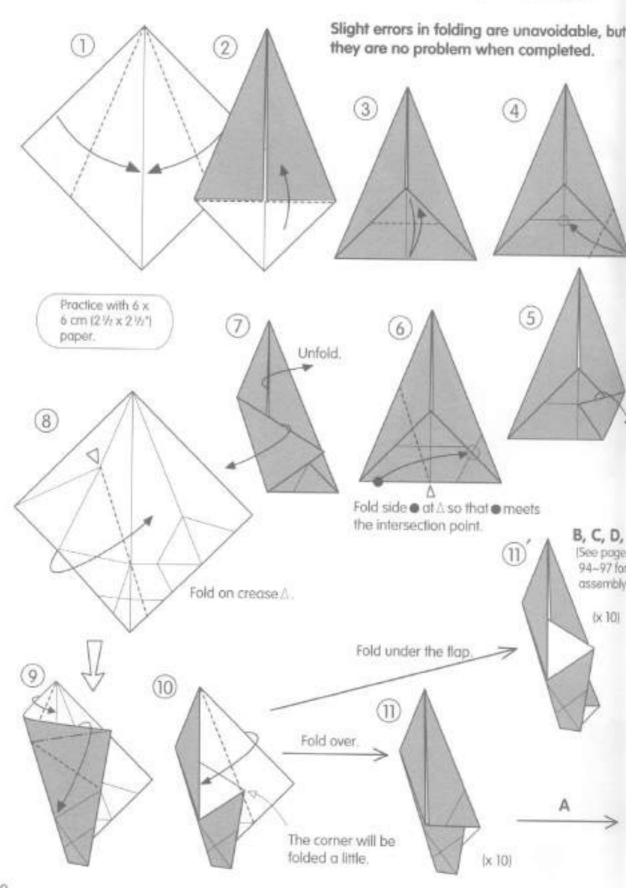


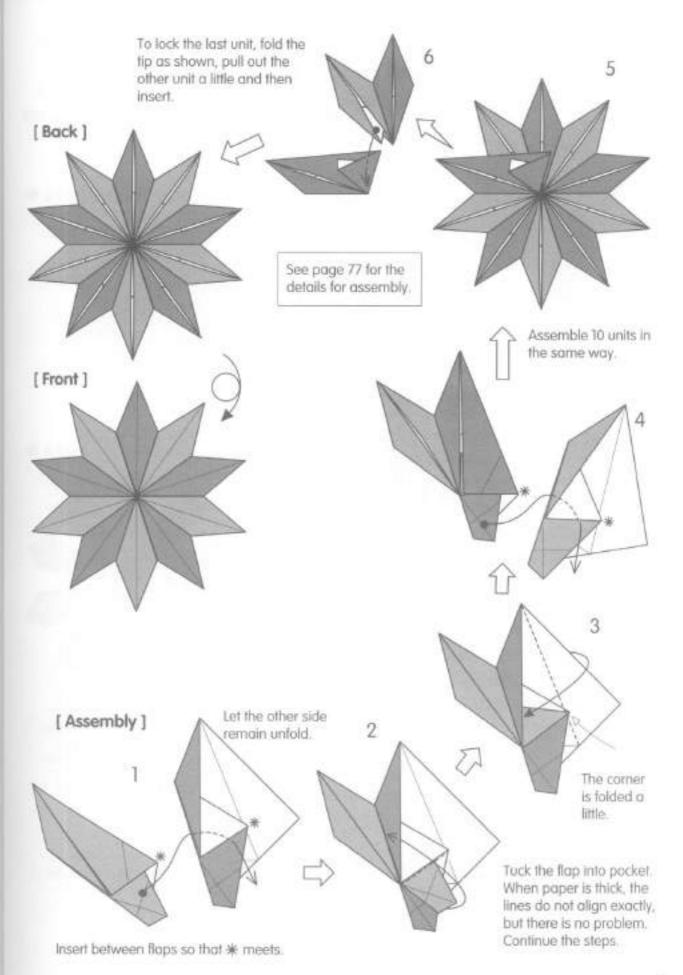
Hexagonal Star B





Decagonal Star A



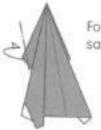


[Measurement of Decagonal Star and Parts]

(Pictured on page 15)

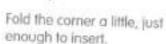
Let's attach parts to decagonal star A. If the occasion requires, fold any corner of the unit to lock it perfectly.





Fold from paper, which is the same as the unit of star.



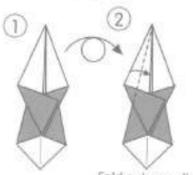


See page 80 for the assembly of units.

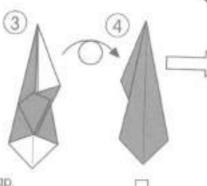


Part 3 (Page 82)

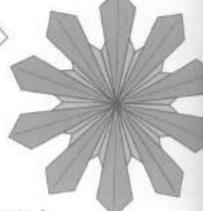




Fold only one flap.



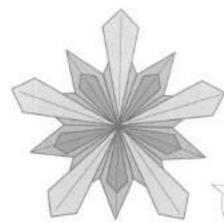




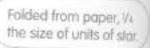
See page 82 for the assembly of units.



Use measured parts as shawn on page 82.



Units of part 3 of different lengths are mixed.

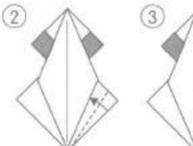


Part 4 (Page 84)

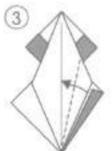


From paper, which is the same size as the units of star.

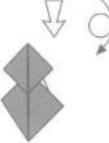




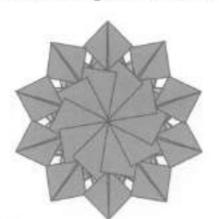
Fold only one flap to insert into the slit.



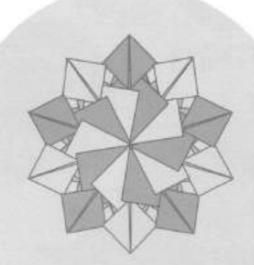




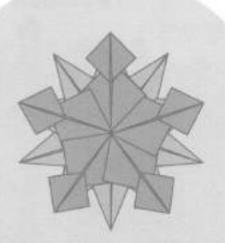
♦ Basic Decagonal Star + Part 4 ◀



See page 85 for the assembly of units.

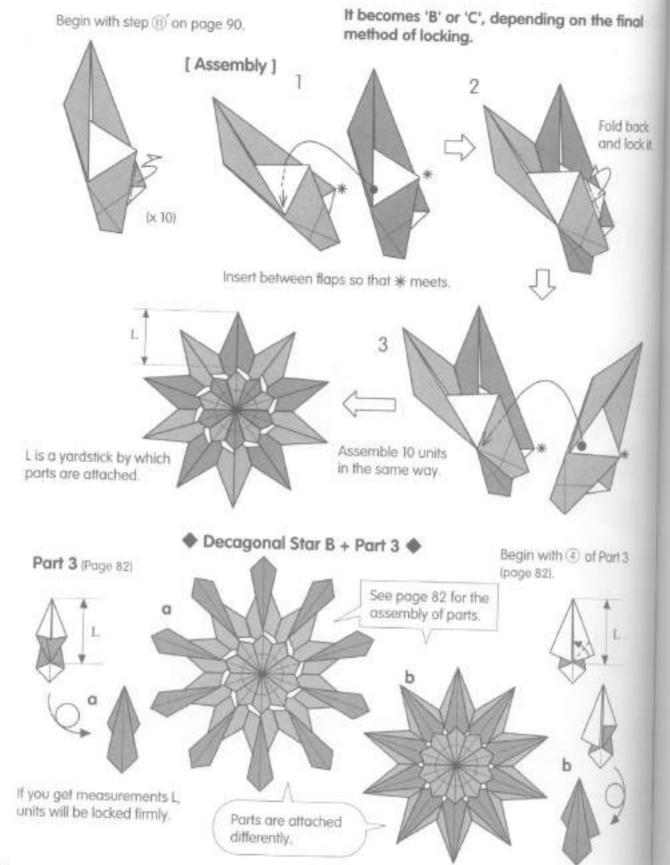


Units of different color are used.

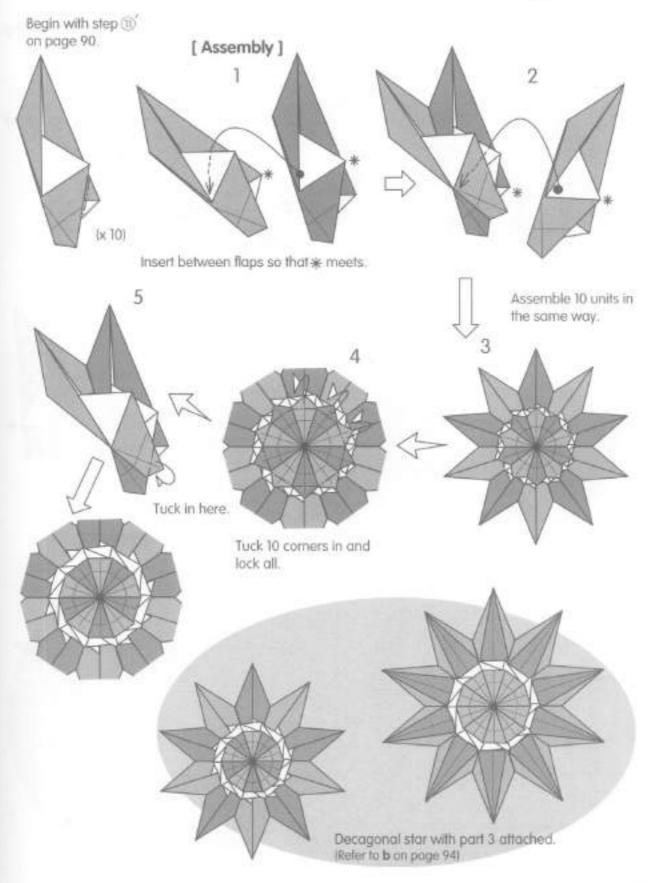


Units are attached alternately.

Decagonal Star B



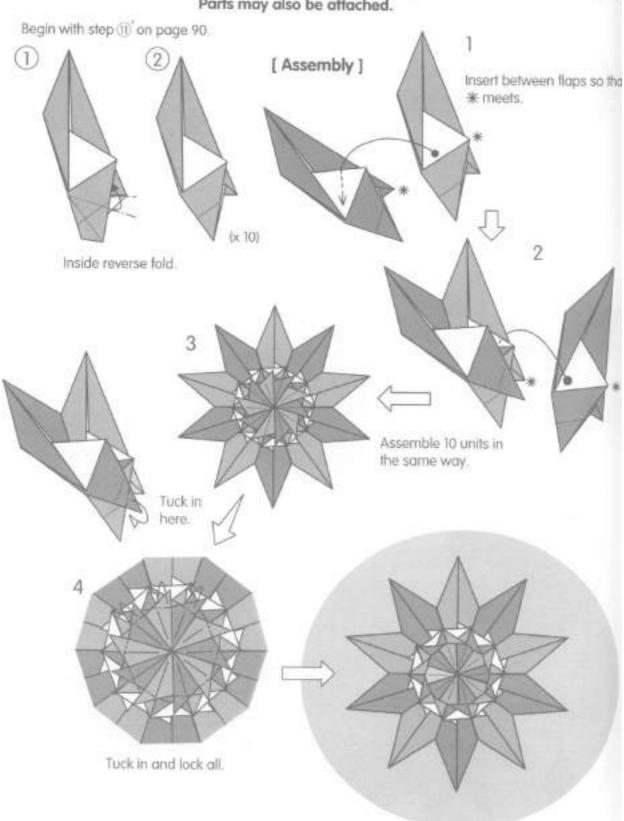
Decagonal Star C



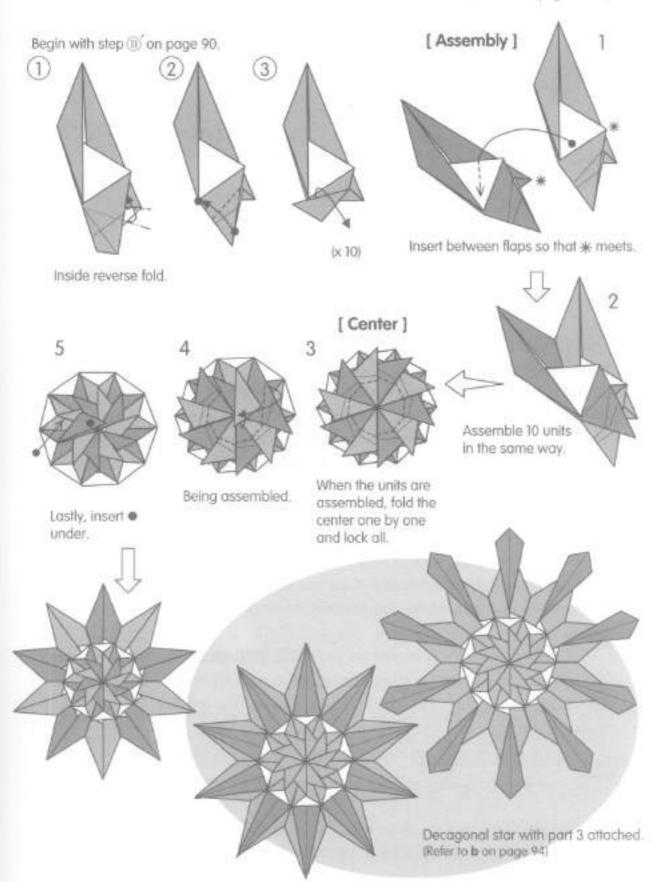
Decagonal Star D

(Pictured on page 10)

It becomes 'D' or 'E', depending on the final method of locking Parts may also be attached.



Decagonal Star E



If you have time to spare

'Since I have retired, I have now enough time to enjoy origami at last.' I often receive such letters. In reply, I say, 'That's fine. I hope you make a good start.' 'Since I have to prepare for an entrance examination, I have no time to enjoy origami.' Sometimes I receive such letters. In reply, I say, 'It is a great asset that you have once been immersed in origami in your childhood. Sometime In your future life, the time will surely come when you can revive your origami.' My replies may sound like a counselor's advice, but I really meant what I said.

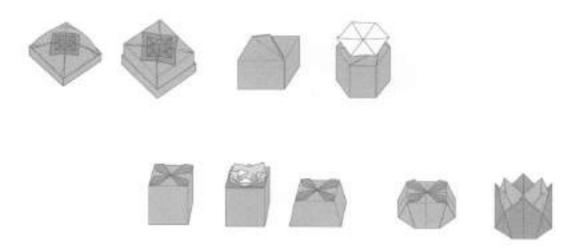
Most children love origami. They are absorbed in folding paper. They joyfully say, "I've made it" and show the work to everyone around them. The word implies that they have made the work by their own hands and, at the same time, it shows a wonder that such an interesting thing has been produced. Among hobbies, there are few that both adults and children can enjoy with wonder on an equal footing.

If there is something urgent on you mind, you will be unable to devote yourself to origami. When it is off your mind, get to work on origami. Many people take up origami to forget what is on their mind and worries, and then they can pick themselves up again. You are busy, but if you find time to spare, try origami.

By the way, how about those who are absorbed in origami and have no time?

Chapter 4

Packages



For Practical Use and Play

----- Enjoy folding

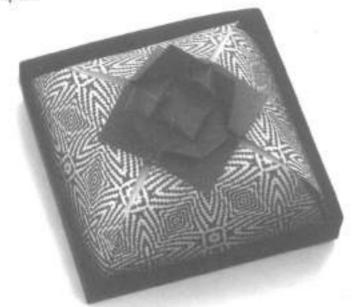
The containers introduced in this chapter will be about the size of your palm. Since they are folded, thick paper is not suitable. It is possible to make larger containers, but they are something out of tune. Containers of origami are not strong and they can hold only light things. Accordingly, gentle handling is important.

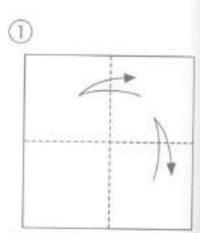
They are intended for play rather than for practical use. They are heartwarming. That will be because the folder's intent is conveyed to the receiver.

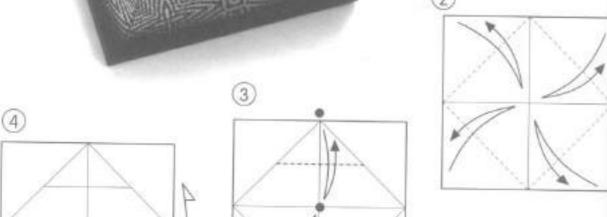
Cake Box 1 A lid of flower

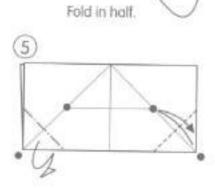
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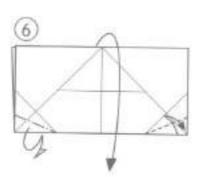
The square body is covered with a dome-like lid. The lid is locked with a flower so as not to come apart.



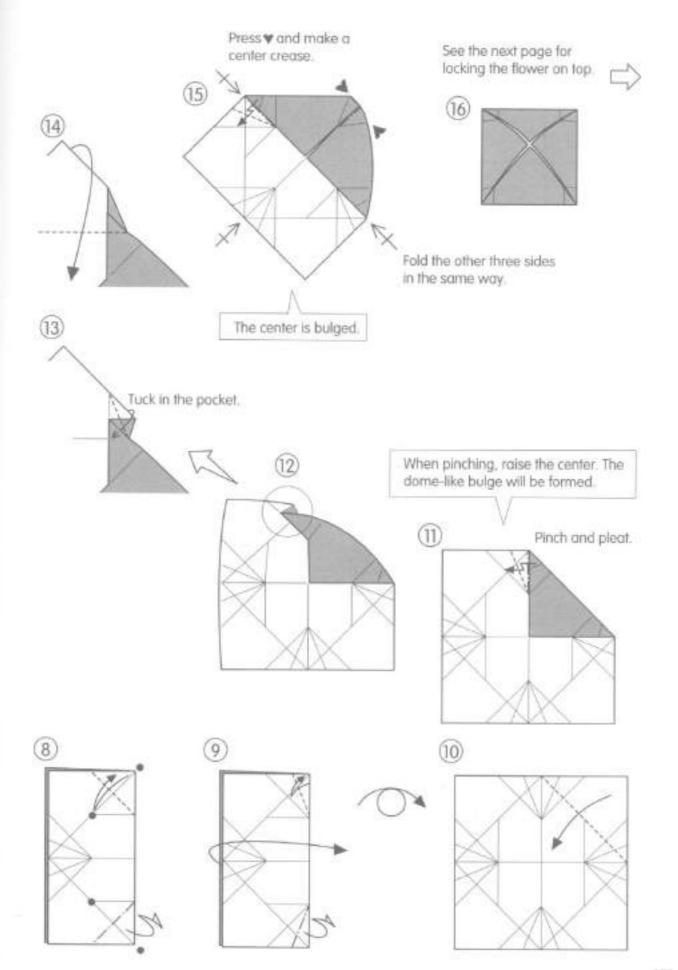


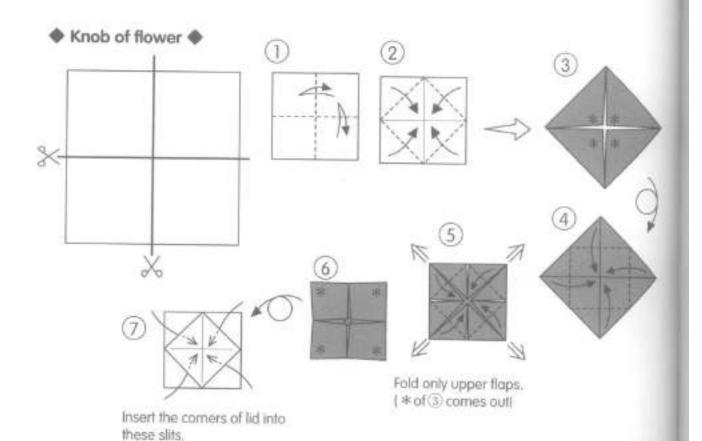


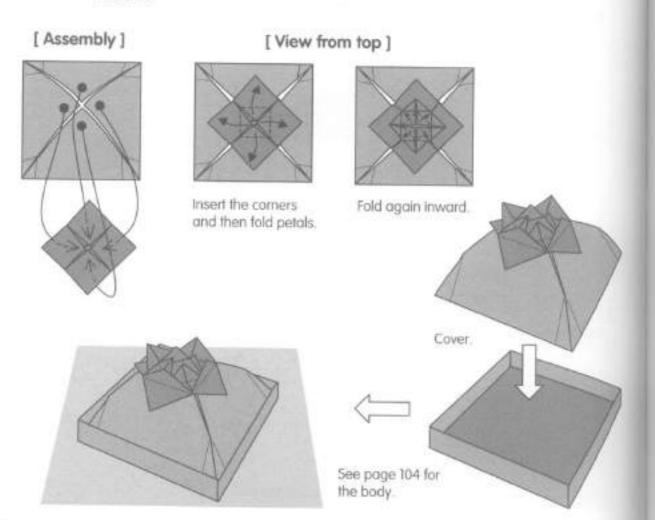




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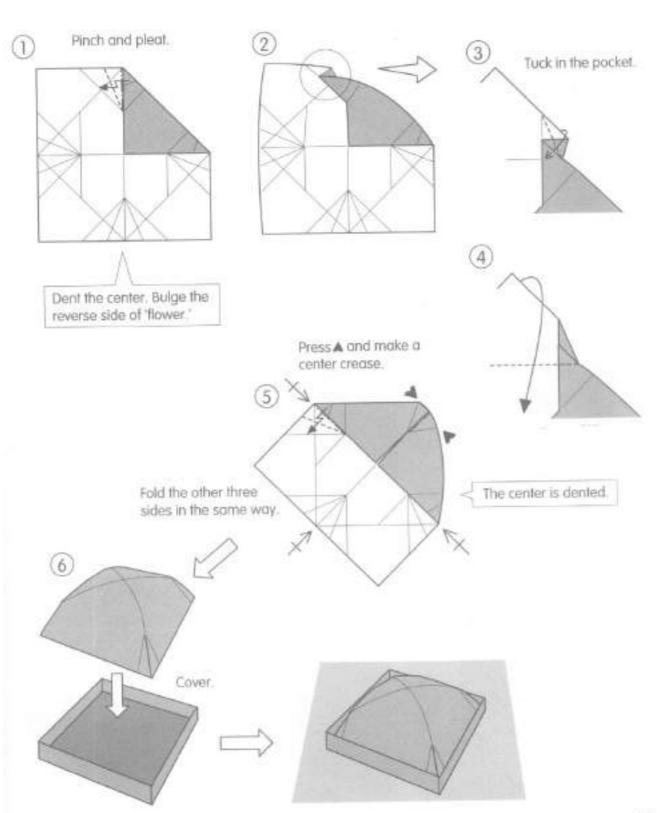


Cake Box 1 Plain lid

(Pictured on page 17)

If you turn over 'flower,' you can get a plain lid.

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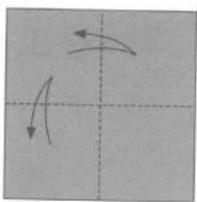


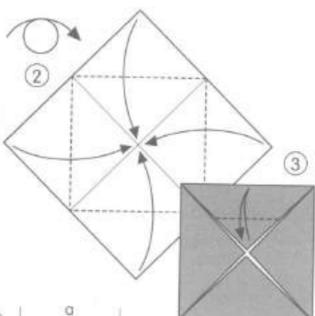
Cake Box 1 Body

(Pictured on page 17)

Application of traditional 'masu' (measure). The depth depends on the width of (4).

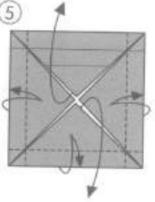


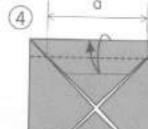




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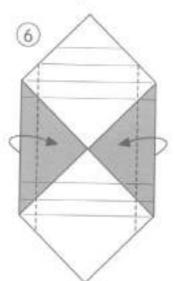


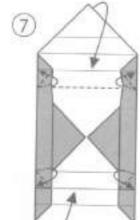


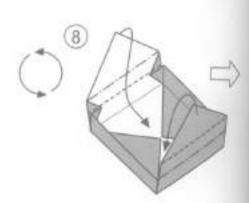


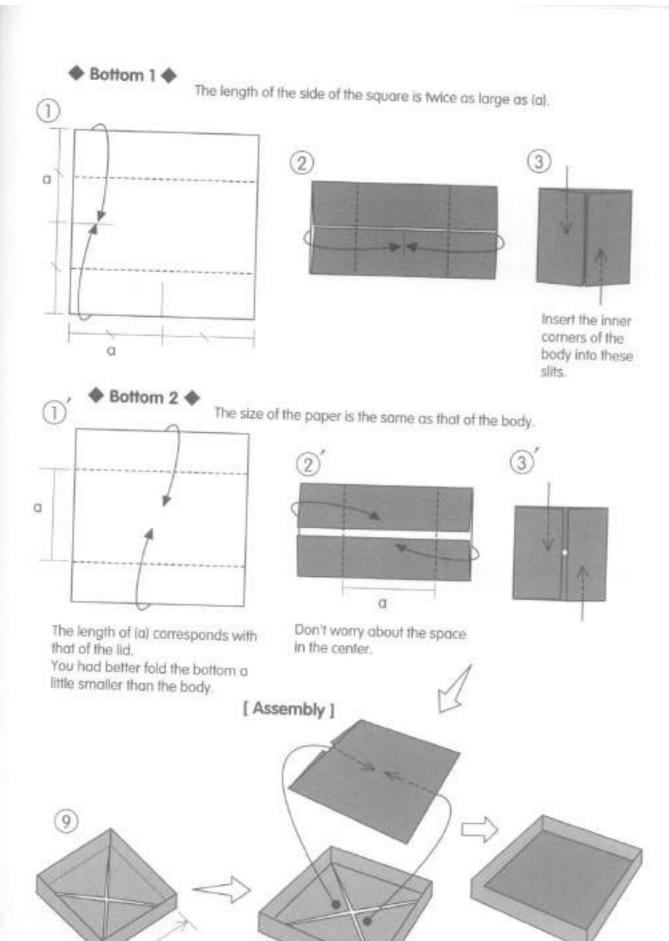
Fold only the upper layer.

The width of (a) is the side of the box. If you change the width, you can make nesting boxing.





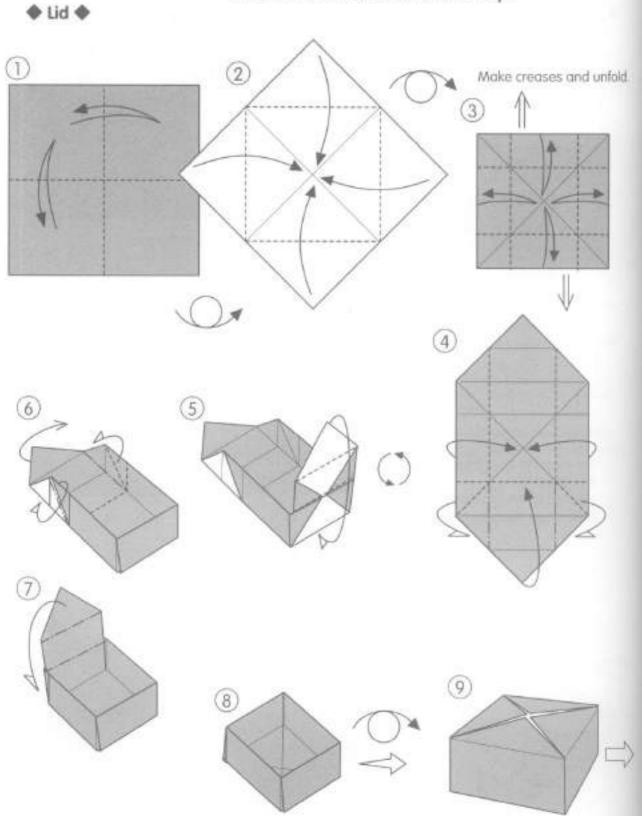


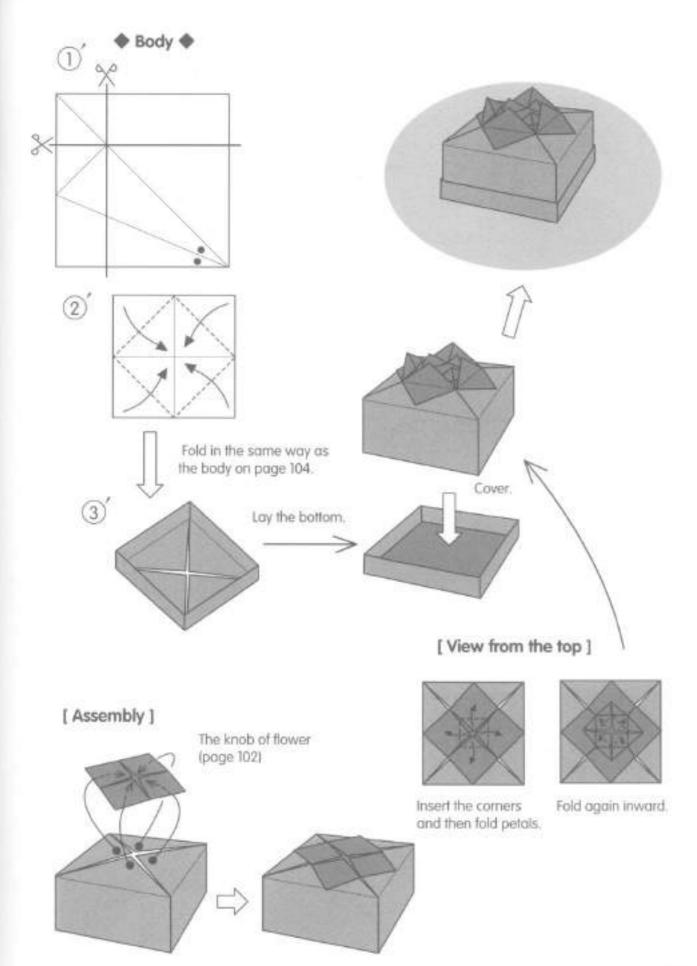


Cake Box 2

(Pictured on page 17)

Turn the traditional 'masu' (measure) inside out and make it the lid. Attach a knob of flower on top.





Square Package

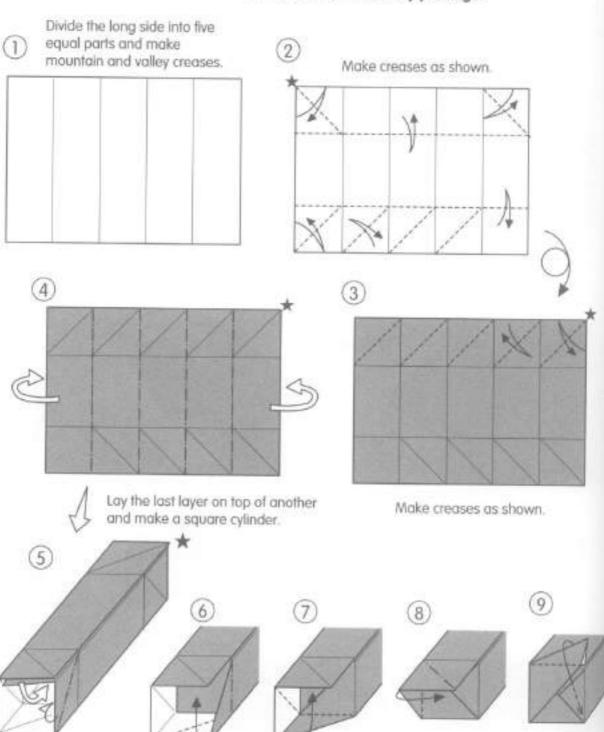
(Pictured on page 19)

Insert into

the pocket.

Use 21 x 30 cm (8 ½ x 12 *) paper for practice.

A cylindrical package with four sides made from a piece of paper. It is good for present and putting a potpourri in it. If you use a little thicker paper, you can make a nice and sturdy package.

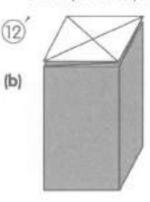


Fold according to creases one by one.

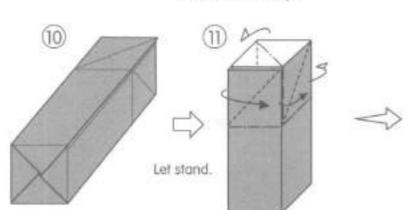
Fold inward.

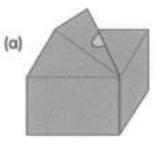


You may let the top as it is.

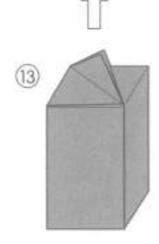


Put something in and then twist and flatten the top.





You can seal the flaps with glue.



Lift the flaps.



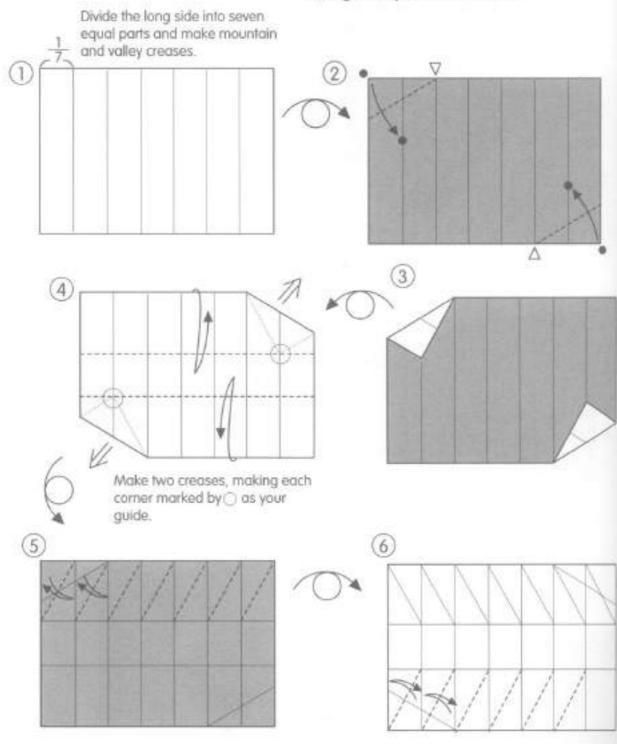
Package with Six Sides · A

(Pictured on page 19)

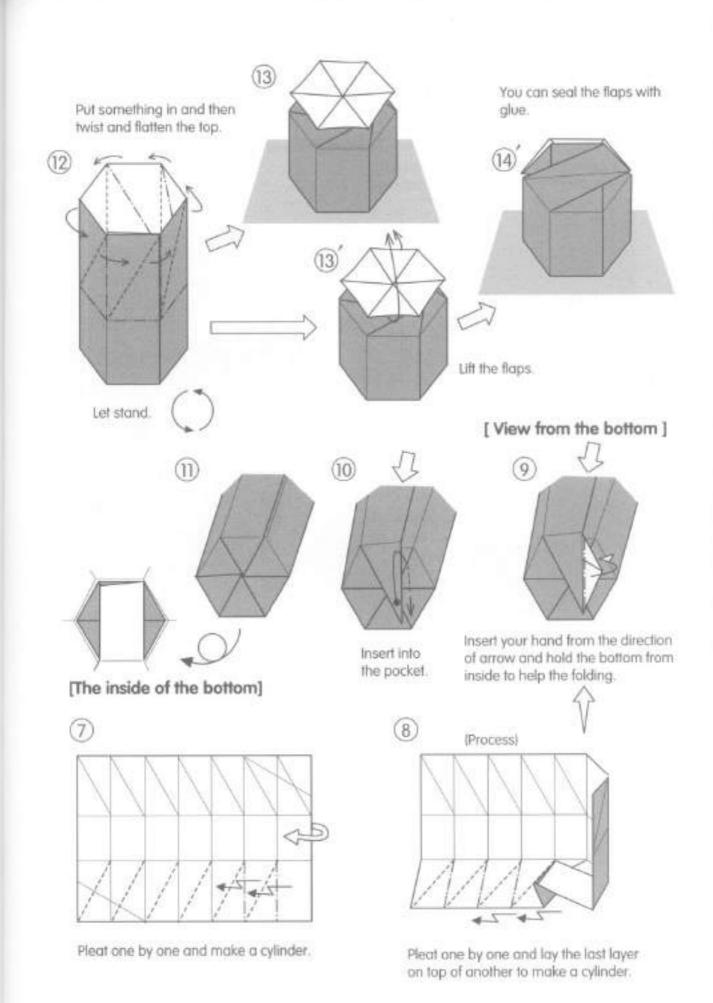
Make creases as shown.

Use 21 x 30 cm (8 ½ x 12 *) paper for practice.

This package has six sides. The point is how to fold the bottom. If you use a little thicker paper, you can make a sturdy package, though it depends on the size.



Make creases as shown.

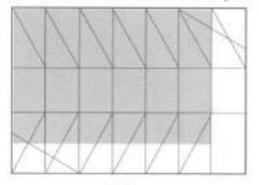


Package with Six Sides · B

(Pictured on page 19)

A variation of Package with Six Sides · A

The gray parts show the area that comes into contact with the inside of the outer package.



Put thin paper inside.

Fold in the same 'way as 'A'.

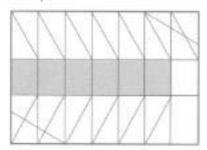


Peel off the thin paper and make it look like a flower.



<Reinforce the package>

Make a cylinder with six sides from thick paper. Fix it into the package and close the top

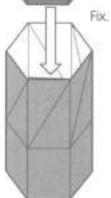


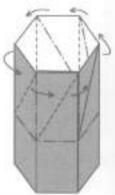
Make about 5 mm (1/6") smaller than the gray parts.



The cylinder with six sides.

After the cylinder is fixed, close the top.

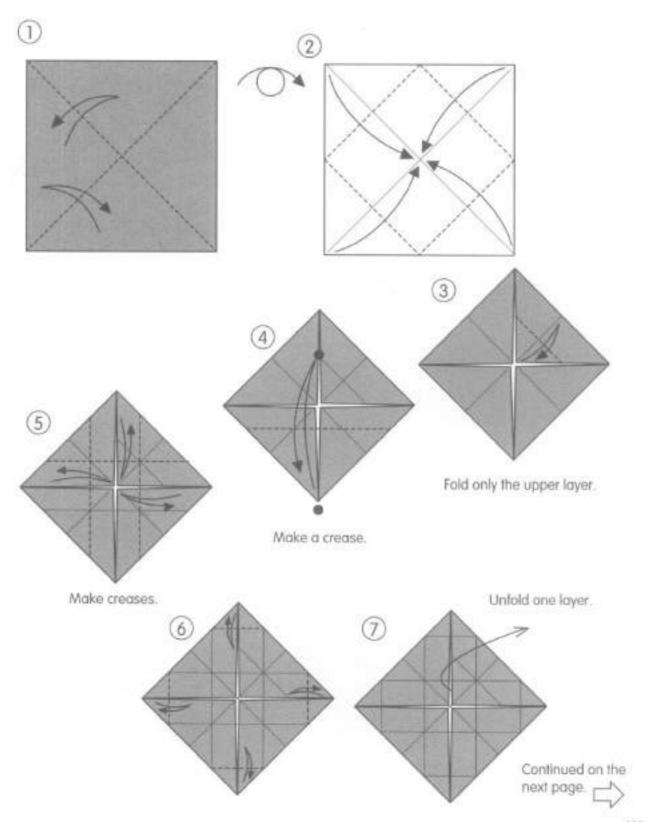


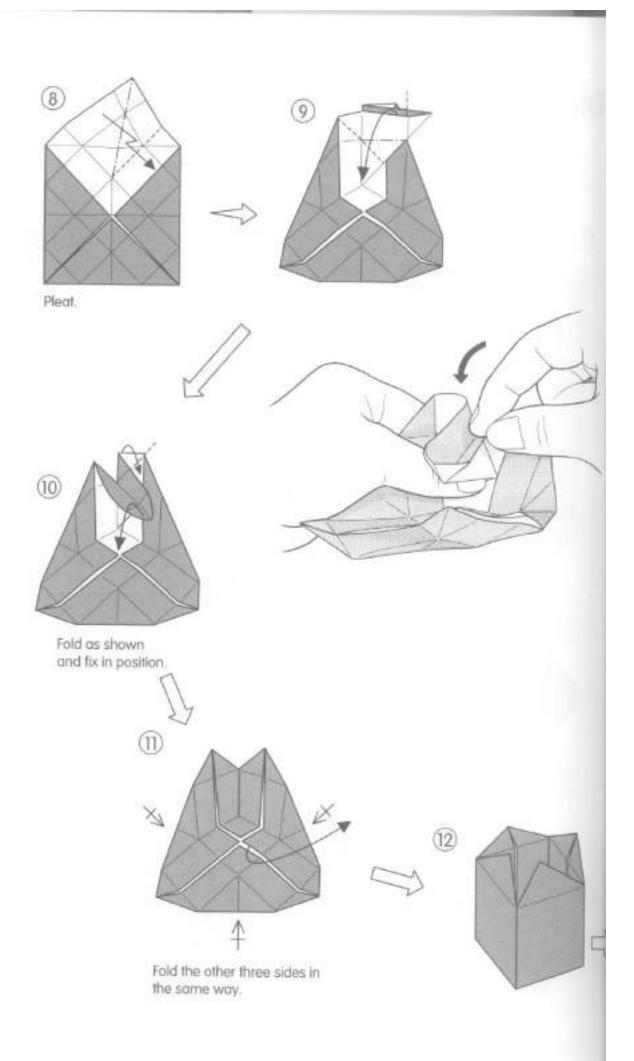


Dice Package

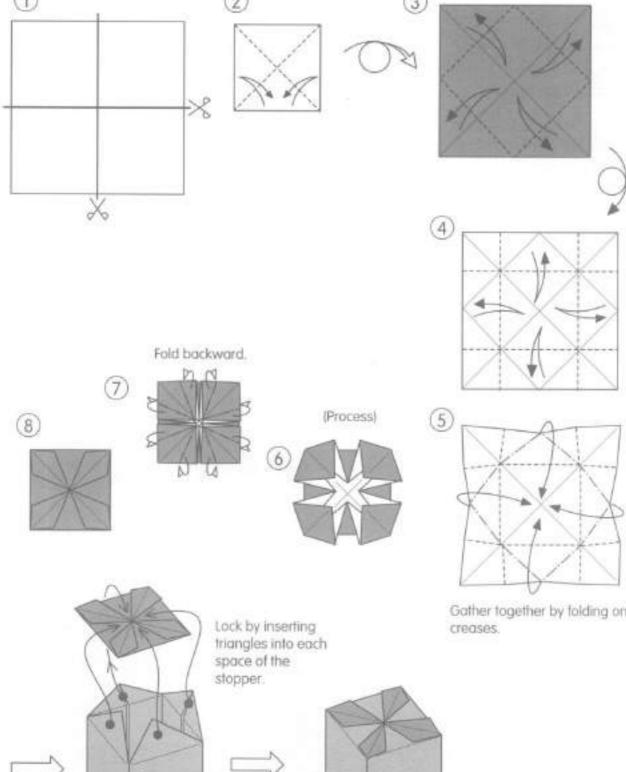
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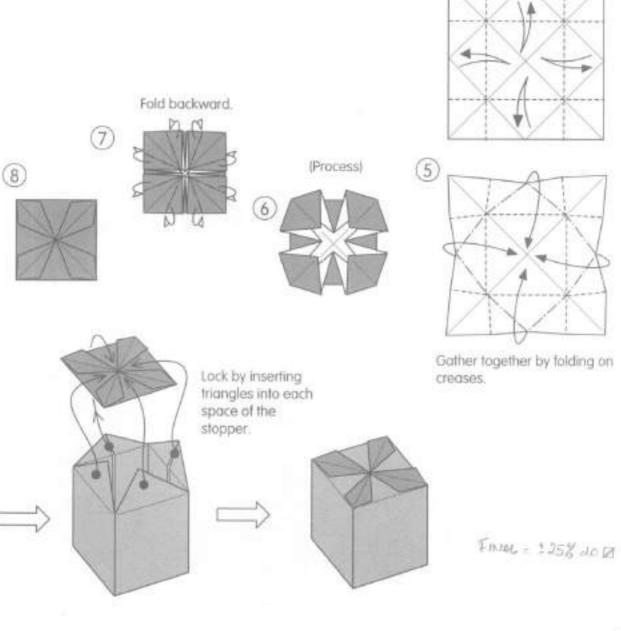
Boxes of various shapes are locked with stoppers.

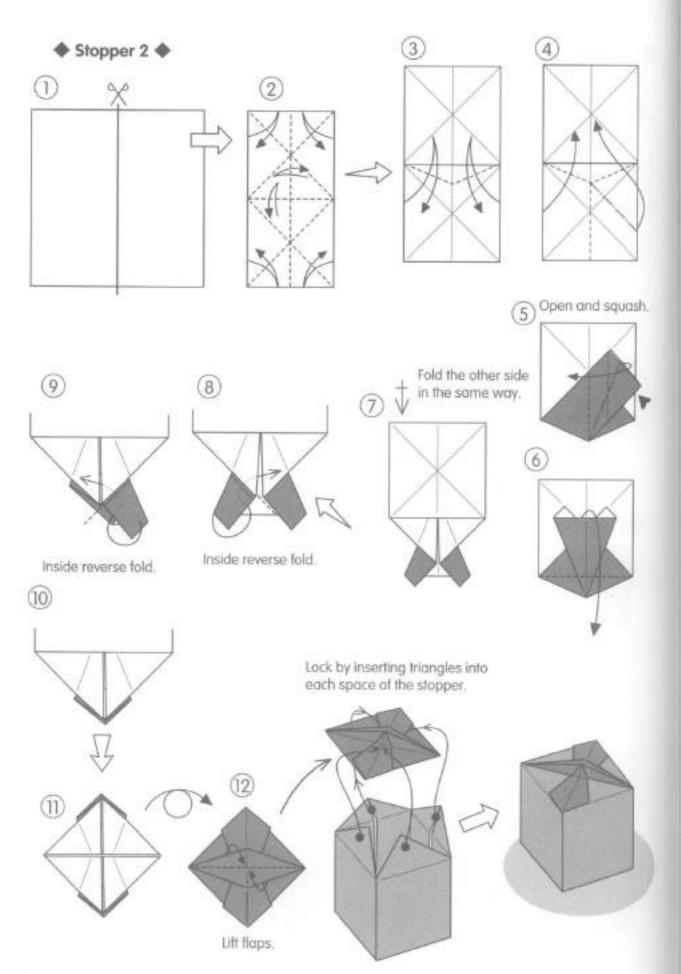


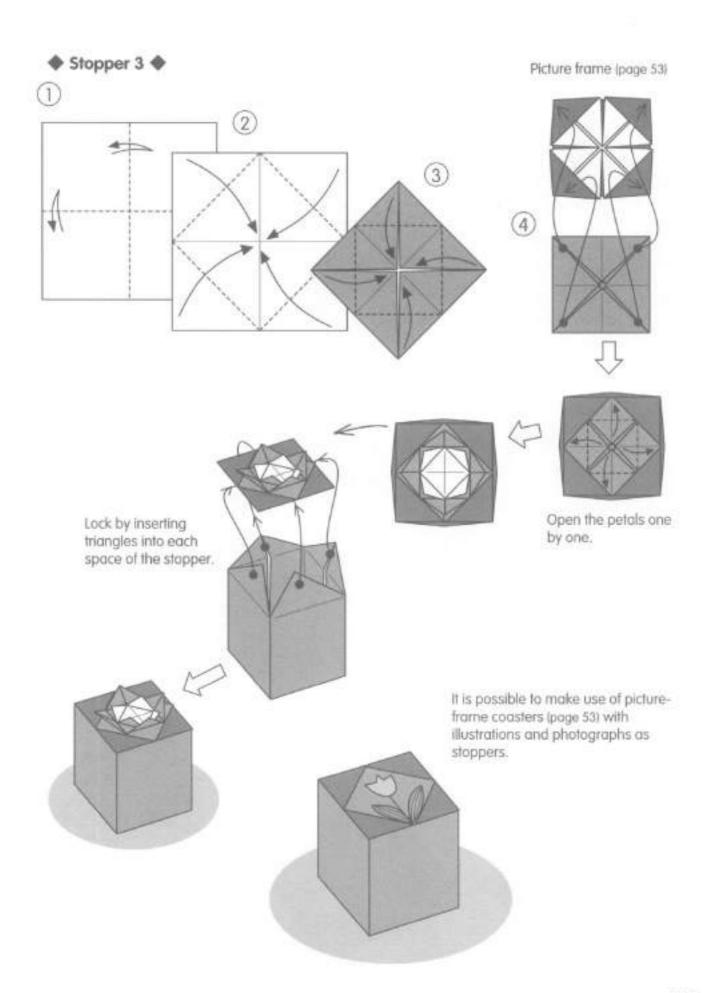


Stopper 1 💠



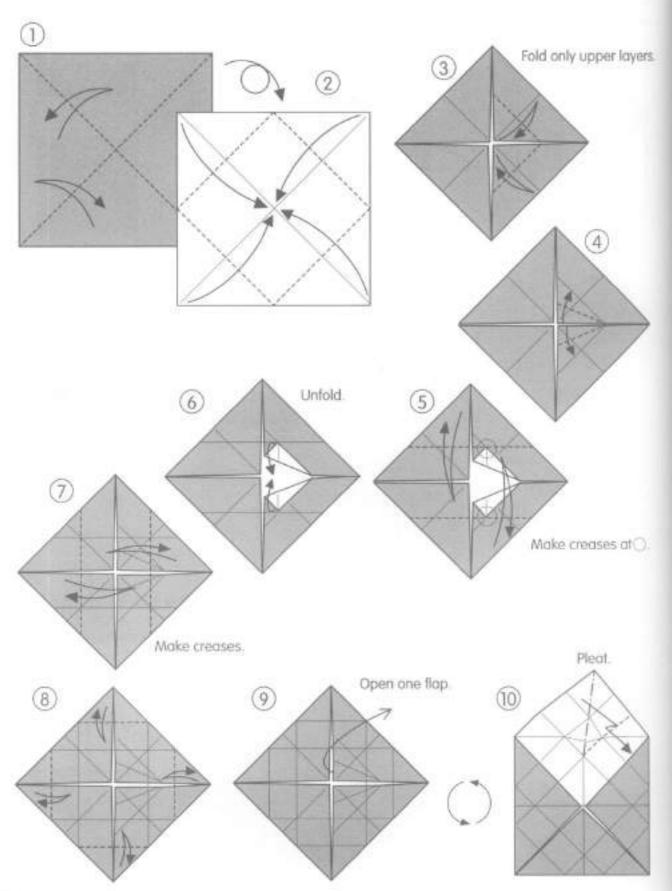


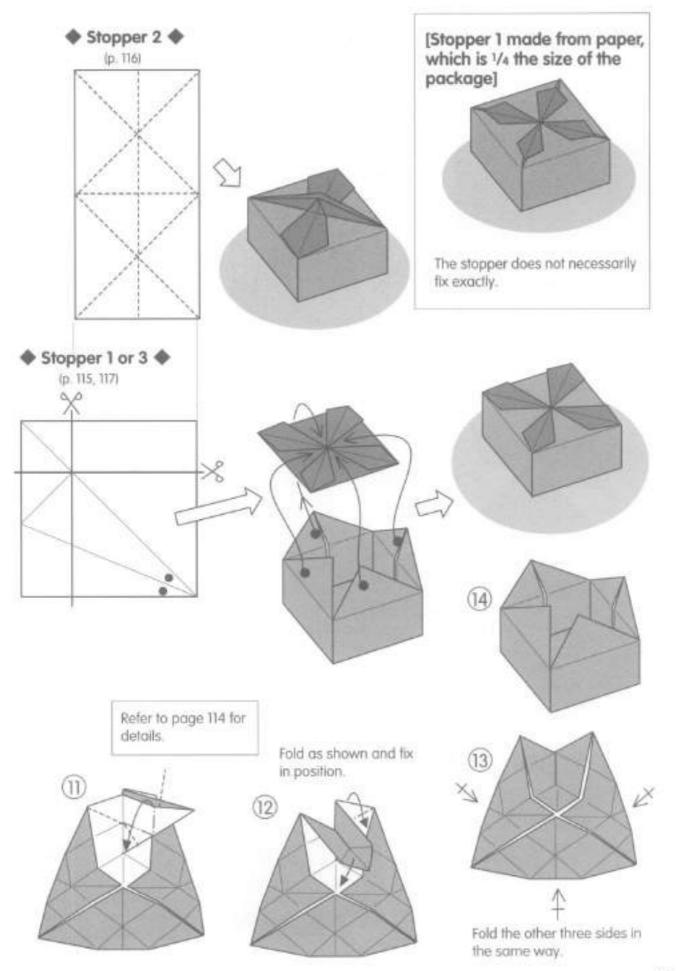




Half-size Dice Package

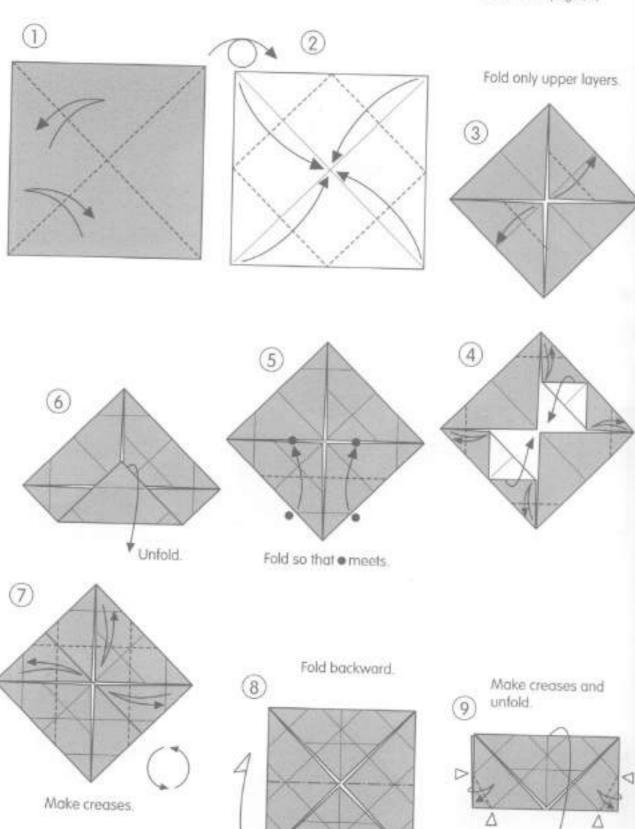
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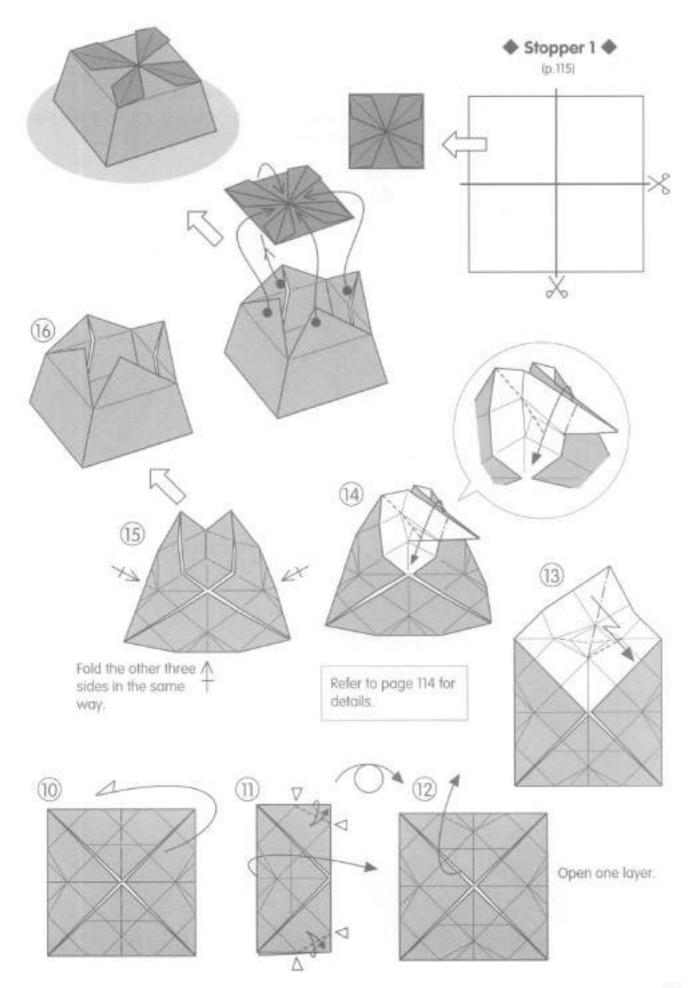




Trapezoid Package

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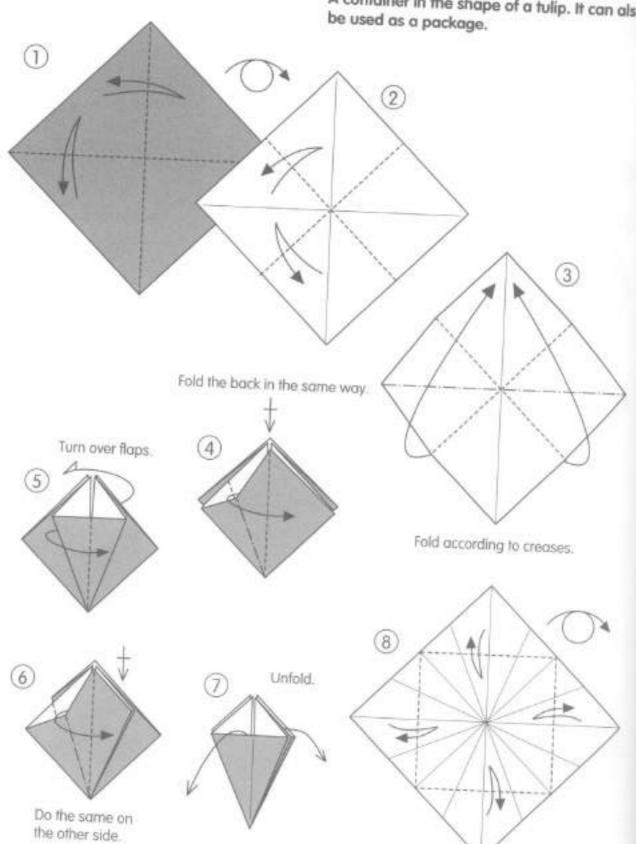


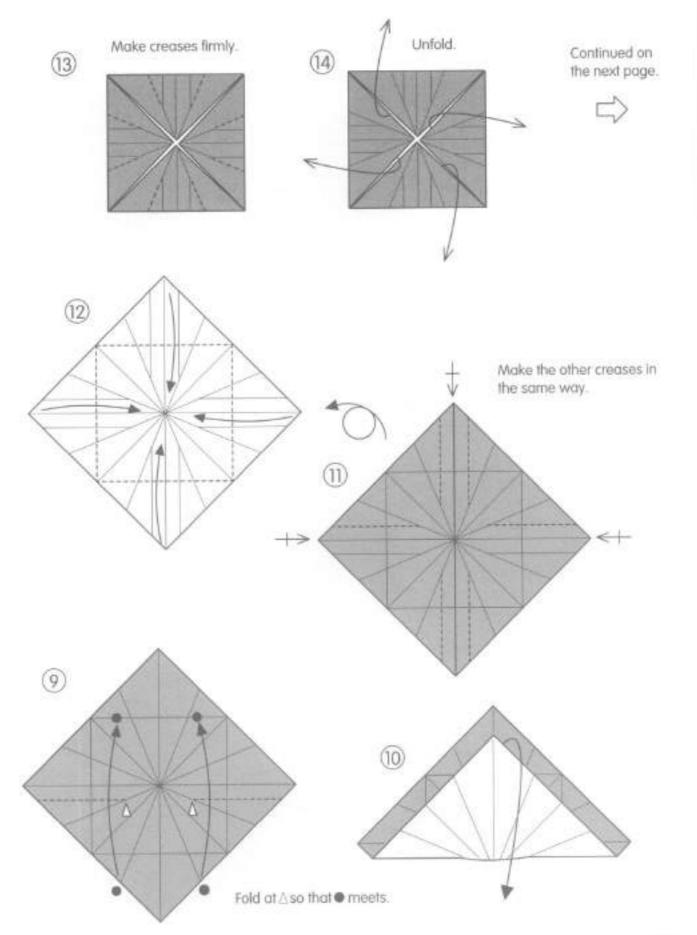


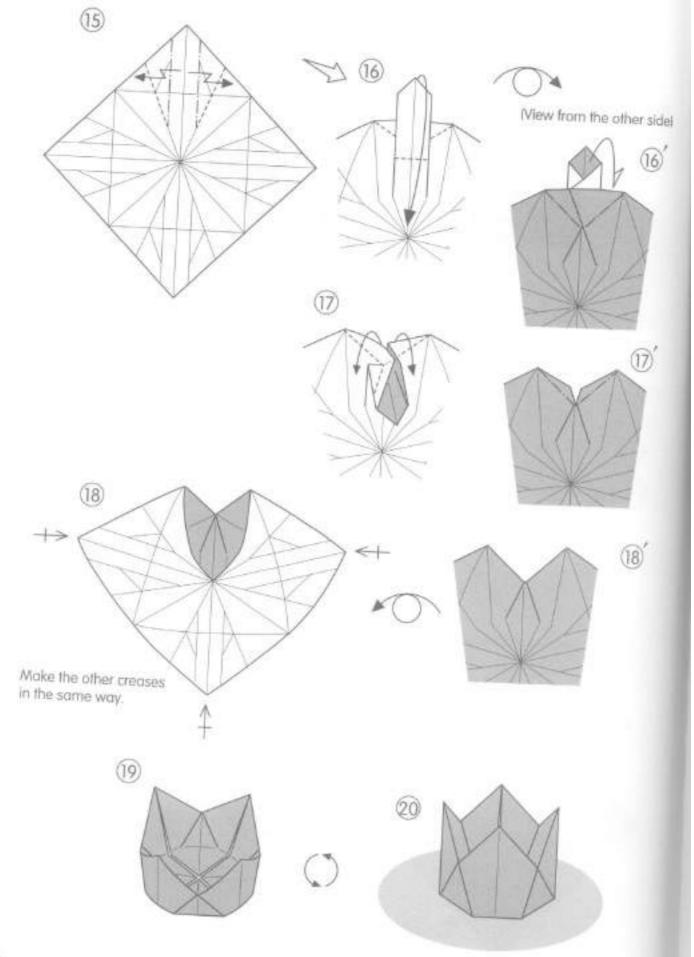
Tulip Cup

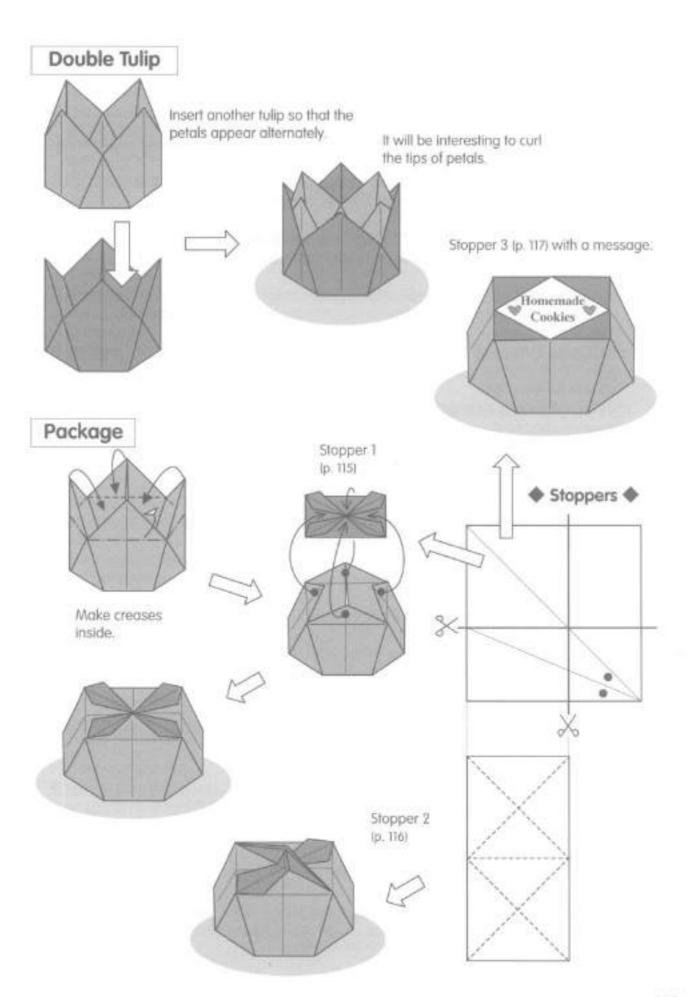
(Pictured on page 18)

A container in the shape of a tulip. It can also be used as a package.









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