



ORIGAMI

Origami is the art of paper folding. Create a sculpture from a flat piece of paper by folding it.

This week's activities: Boat – Never-Ending Ornament

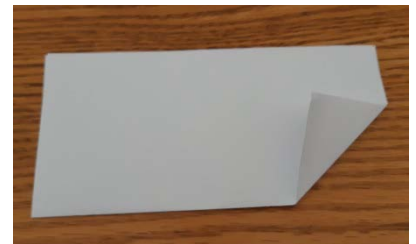
Boat

Suggested Materials:

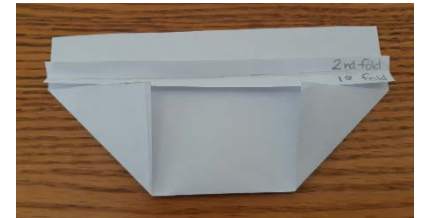
- 15-cm x 15-cm (6-inch x 6-inch) square of paper. This can be regular paper, foil paper or origami paper. Avoid using construction paper, as it doesn't hold folds well.

Directions:

1. Fold a square of paper in half. With the fold at bottom, fold the lower corners halfway up making the sides parallel with the top of the boat.
2. Fold the front section down to meet the top of folded corners. Fold it over again.



3. Now flip your boat over and do the same for the other side.



4. Open your boat and gently flatten the base. If you used foil paper, see if it floats.



Never-Ending Ornament

Suggested Materials:

- A piece of regular paper, art paper or wrapping paper 35 cm X 10 cm (14-inch x 4-inch)

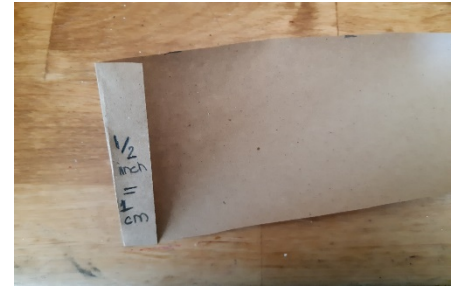


- 2 pieces of embroidery thread or fine string, each piece 70 cm (28-inch) long
- Glue
- Pen or marker (optional)
- Stickers or beads (optional)



Directions

1. Take the piece of paper and fold over 1 cm ($\frac{1}{2}$ -inch) flap at one end of paper.



2. Fold the paper in half widthwise. Open it. Bring each end in to meet at the fold. Sharpen the folds by running your thumb along the fold.

3. Bring the folded edges in to meet at the centre. Sharpen the folds. Open.



4. Beginning with the flap end, re-fold all folds so that they alternate between valley and mountain folds (like an accordion). Sharpen the folds.

5. Spread glue along the front side of the flap. Press the back side of the other end of the paper on top of the flap, matching the end with the fold. Let the glue dry.



6. Holding the together, fold Make a knot 8 cm folded end.



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- Pinch all the valley folds together. Place a strand of thread in each valley fold. Grab all four pieces of thread/yarn at the bottom of the paper and pull snugly. Knot together.
- Open each section. If you like you can decorate your sections or pages with marker, crayons, stickers. You can also decorate by adding beads to the bottom threads.

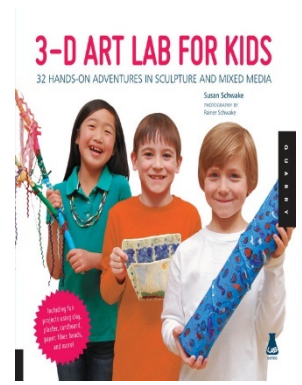
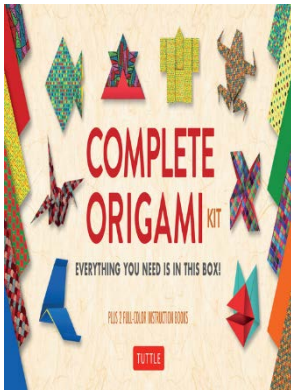


Links to eResources:

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[Origami](#) | [Paper Crafts](#)

Look up more eBooks on origami, such as *Origami Birds* by Anna George, on Hoopla.



Try making an origami lion

in episode 12 of *Artzooka* on Kanopy Kids.

You can get a library card at hpl.ca/online-registration.

If you would like to share one or all your creations, please take a picture and post it to social media using the hashtag, #HPLmakesomething.

