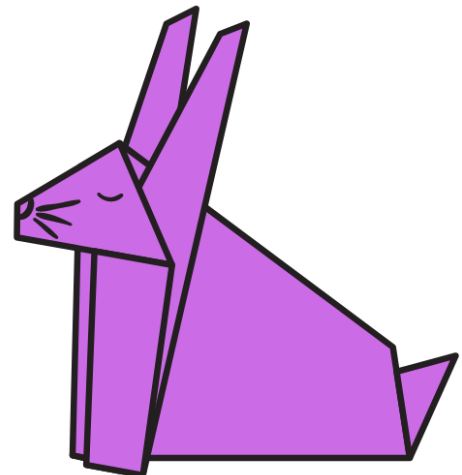
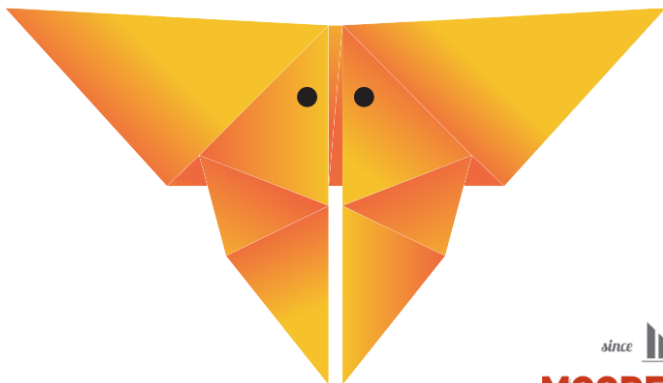


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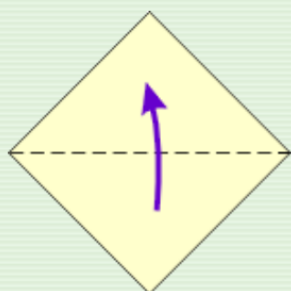




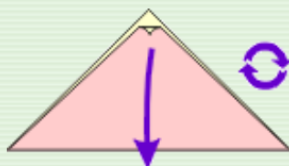
THE BUNNY RABBIT OLYMPICS by Rachel Katz

A teaching tale for the traditional simple bunny

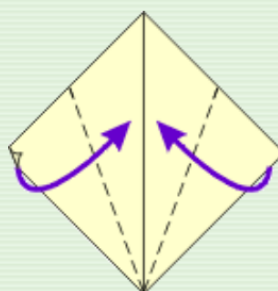
Two bunny rabbits *climbed the hill* (1 - fold into a triangle) to watch the olympics. "It's not fair," said the complaining one. "People get to run in the olympics but we never do!" "Never mind," said his happy friend, we can *go down the hill* (2 - Open triangle and place crease vertically) and get an *ice cream cone*. (3,4 - Fold ice-cream cone).



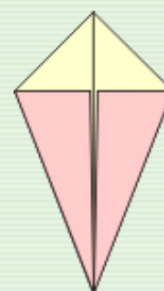
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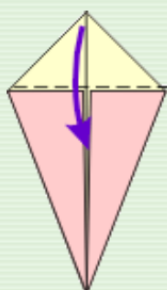


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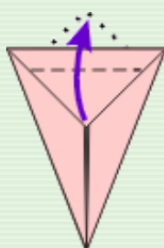


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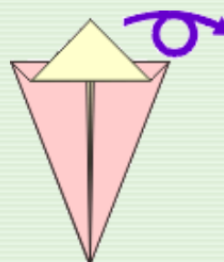
He was still complaining as he held his ice-cream cone when a runner came by and *knocked the ice-cream cone*. (5 - Fold "ice-cream cone" [upper triangle] over cone as far as it goes) "I never have any luck," said the complaining rabbit. "Never mind," said his friend. "I'll give you some of mine. (6 - Fold a small triangle to show above the cone for the tail.)



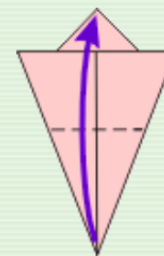
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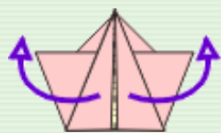
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(7 - Turn over) "Let's have our own olympics said the happy rabbit. We have THE TORCH. Let the olympics begin! *There is a track* (mountain fold), "We can each run from one end to the other and see who is the fastest." "Okay" said the complaining rabbit as he began to get into a happier mood. "Can I go first? "Sure," said his friend. So our bunny *ran from one end to the other* (8 - Fold the bottom point to the tip of the [flame] point to point.) Well,

The rabbit was trying so hard as he ran his race
He was running so quickly he fell on his face

Then “Look at me,” he said with a laugh
And his side rolled over and he folded in half

Then he picked up his head for all to see
Another happy rabbit made with or-i-gam-i !



9 Mountain fold in
half vertically.



10 Pull up long
triangle and secure with a pinch.



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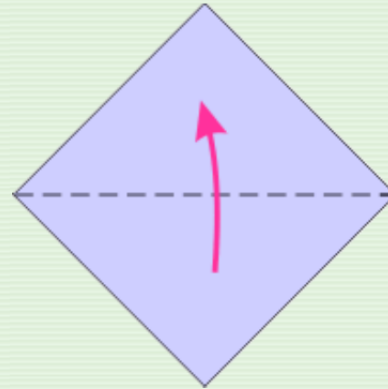
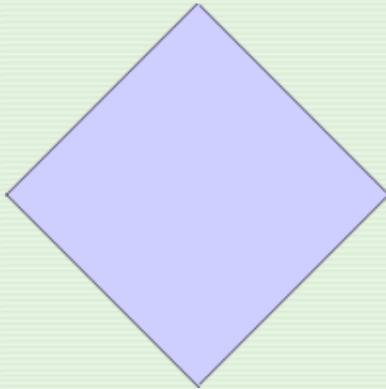


NODDING BIRD by Rachel Katz

The story is based on a model by Kasahara

I heard there was a very unusual bird that could nod its head up and down and even from side to side.

Use a square of paper.

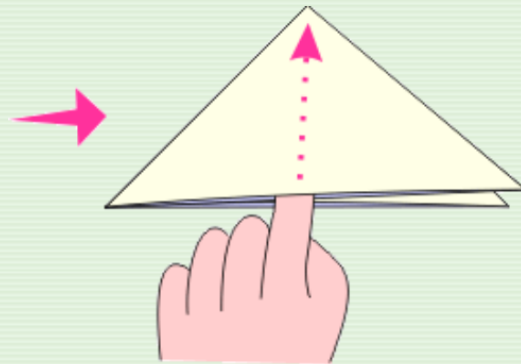
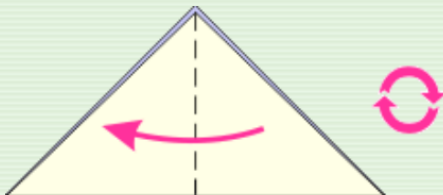


1 It's known as the Nodding Bird and the only place you can find it is near the diamond lake.

Place the paper down like a baseball diamond with the colored side up.

2 I learned that best time to find the bird was in the winter when the hills are covered with snow. So I started my quest by climbing a hill.

Fold the bottom corner to the top.

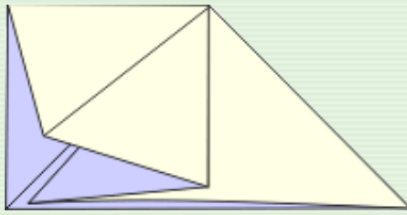


3 It was so cold, I had to clap my hands to keep them warm.

Fold one side corner over to the other to make a smaller triangle.

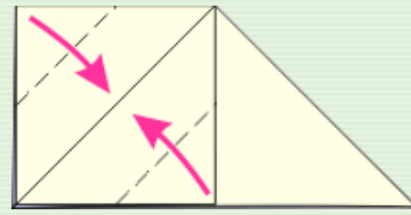
4 I didn't find any sign of the bird but I did find a cave. I was brave enough to explore the inside of the cave.

Put your finger under the top layer and press down as you climb to the top opening up the paper a bit.



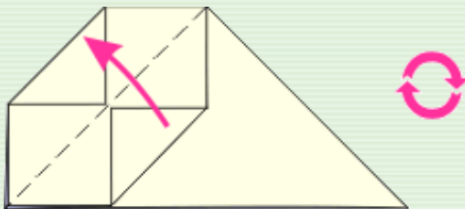
5 Luckily, there were no bats at the top of the cave but I came outside to find a baseball diamond.

Squash fold the triangle into a square.



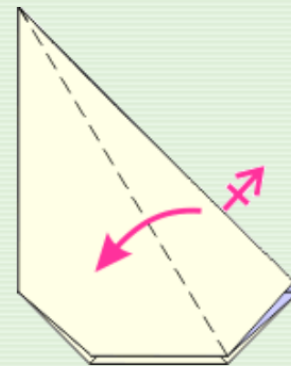
6 It was no fun watching the game as the player on first base had an argument with the player on third base. ♦

Fold the two side points to the middle but do not let them actually touch.



7 So, since I was at the lake, I decided to take out a boat to look for the nodding bird.

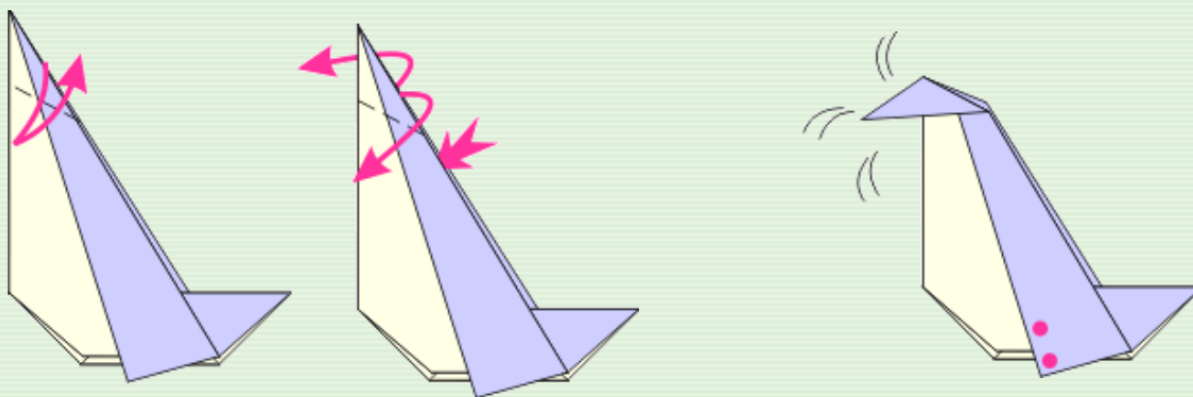
Fold up the "first base" flap from step 6 to meet the "third base" one. Next, orient the paper to resemble a sailboat.



8 *Show the sailboat*

Unfortunately, there was no wind, and the boat hardly moved. My family must have felt sorry for me, because, the next thing I knew, they came along side in a speedboat.

Fold the triangle as shown, carefully folding almost nothing at the top but pulling the paper to the left and below forming the speedboat. Repeat behind.



9 The speedboat took me quickly away where I was met by a giant bird. ♦ Oh, could you be the bird that can nod its head, I asked. ♦

Fold a small piece as shown for the head. Crease very well as you will need to outside reverse fold this.

To do this, unfold the head, then open the back a little and look for the fold you just made. Wrap the paper around to the front on each side of the bird using that crease. The head is now the same on both sides.

10 ♦ Is it too difficult for us to learn to fold this origami bird?

Pinching with one hand beneath the head and the other on the lower dot, pull down and up on these point causing the head to nod. Move your pinch a little higher (to the upper dot) so that you feel all the layers and move your thumb (or wrist if necessary) back and forth to make it move in a negative response.

So, if we become good custodians of the earth, many species will be around for a very long time.

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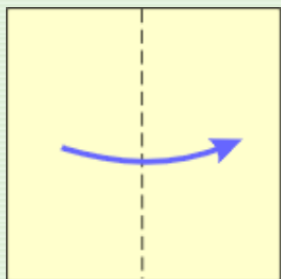
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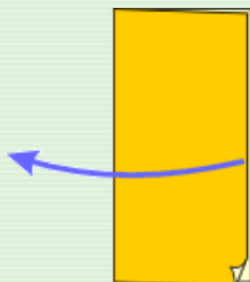
PAPER PUPPET by Rachel Katz

Even with the best illustrations, some people will have trouble with particular steps. To solve this problem, I've given a descriptive name to each step which forms a little rhyming story.

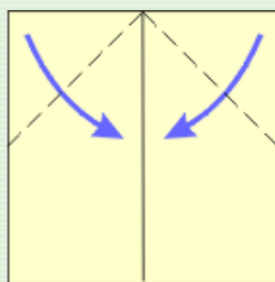
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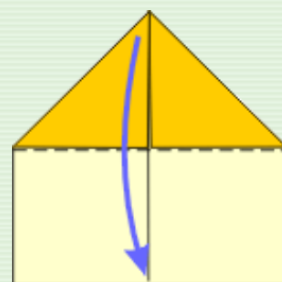
1 One day as I was
putting my book away...
(Valley fold the square in
half from left to right.
Press it flat ...)



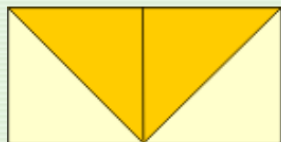
2 ... and unfold it.)



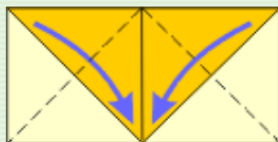
3 I went into my house
and started to play.
(Valley fold the top corners
down to meet the middle
fold-line.)



4 That's when I found
this...
(Valley fold the paper in
half from top to bottom.)



5 envelope and letter.
'Fold me some more,'" it
said. 'You can do better.'



6 I folded the top down
and
(Valley fold the top corner
down to meet the middle
fold-line.)



7 made a good crease.
(Press the paper flat.)



8 'Open up! It's the....
(Unfold the model back to
...)



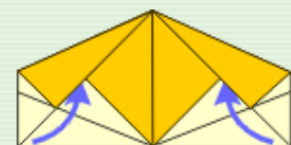
9 origami police.'
The envelope and letter.)



10 'Now fold it just
half-way.'
(Valley fold the top corners
down to meet the...)



11 'No more should
you dare.'

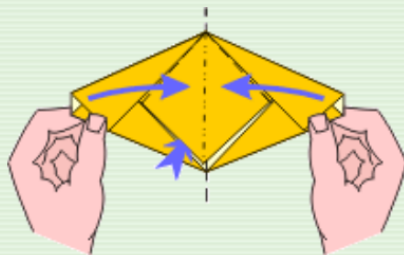


12 'And the bottom ...
(Valley fold the bottom
corners up to meet the
sloping folded edges, while
at the same time...)



13 can you see up to where?’

inserting them underneath the top corners as shown.)



14 ‘Then hold it and push it, and here’s what you say...

(Hold the side points, bring them toward each other, and make the middle section of paper rise up along the existing fold-lines.)



15 I can do origami. Hooray! Hooray!’

(Open and close the side points to make the puppet ‘talk’.)

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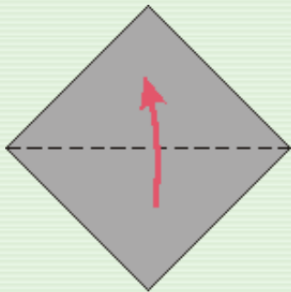
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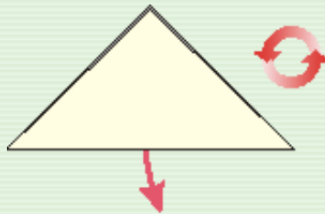
PENGUIN PETE by Rachel Katz

The story is based on a traditional model

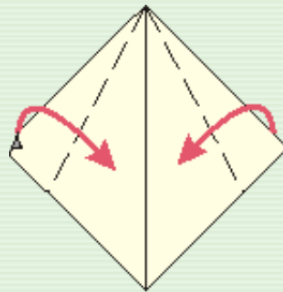
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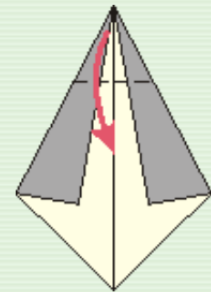
1 Fold into a triangle.
Pete lived on the hill



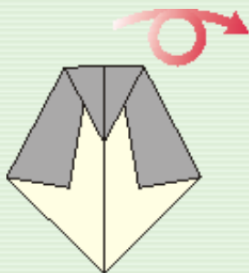
2 Open triangle and place
crease vertically.
and that was covered
with snow.



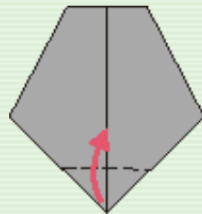
3 Fold the sides as
shown.
He wore a black coat,



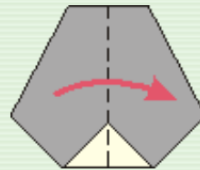
4 Fold the top point in.
and held his head low,



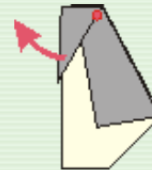
5 Turn the model over.
He rolled over on his
tummy,



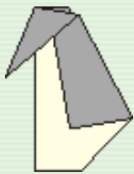
6 Fold the point up.
and kicked snow with his
feet.



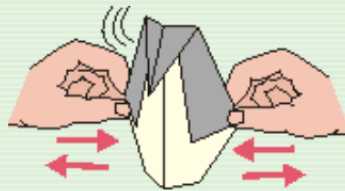
7 Fold the paper in half as
shown.



8 Lift up the head and
squeeze flat at the dot.
Then he picked up his
head, saying:



9 "I'm Penguin Pete!"



10 If pull the back part away and together,
the head will nod up and down.



11 Here is the completed
action model!

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