

TUTORIAL 2.

ORIGAMI BOX

SUPPLIES

- 2 squares of paper, one square cut $\frac{1}{4}$ " smaller than the other

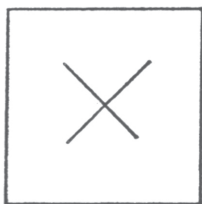
TOOLS

- Bone folder (optional)
- Glue stick (optional)



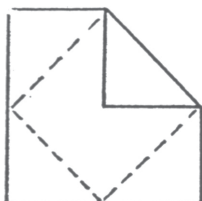
STEP 1

- Begin with two squares of paper, one square cut $\frac{1}{4}$ " smaller than the other.
- With a straight edge draw two lines, corner to corner, to find the center point of each square.
Note: If using patterned paper, be sure to draw your lines on the "wrong" side.



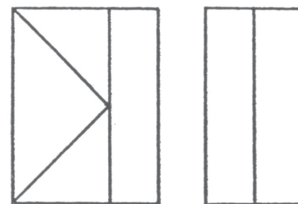
STEP 2

- Fold all four corners to the center mark.



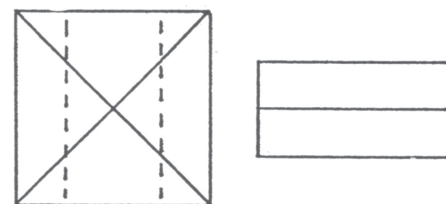
STEP 3

- Bring one folded edge to the center point (where all four corners meet).
- Repeat with the opposite folded edge.



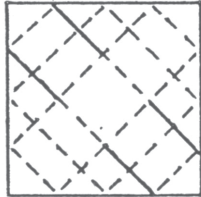
STEP 4

- Open up the preceding two folds and repeat with the opposite two sides.
- Open all folds.



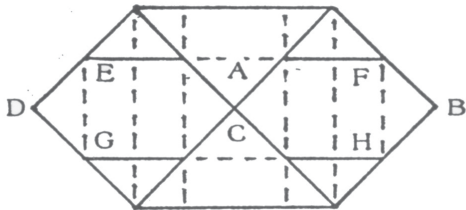
STEP 5

- All of the previous folds will have created the pattern shown. Make four cuts as indicated by the solid lines.



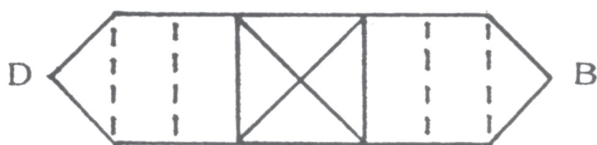
STEP 6

- Fold points A & C to the center, and fold up (to a 90 degree angle) on lines EF & GH.
- Bring point B up and over flaps F & H. You will have created three sides of your box.
- Bring point D up and over flaps E & G to complete your box.



STEP 7

- Repeat all previous steps with the remaining piece of paper.
- When complete the box made with the larger sheet of paper will easily slip over the box made with the smaller piece of paper.



HELPFUL HINTS

- * A bone folder or wooden folding stick will help put a nice crease in your folds.
- * Be careful not to make too many cuts—an easy error.
- * You can use a glue stick to tack down points A, B, C, & D inside your box.
- * Experiment with different weights of paper. Text paper is the easiest to fold but card stock makes a sturdier box.
- * Old greeting cards and calendars are a good paper resource for this project.
- * You may reinforce your box base with a piece of heavy paper or cardboard cut slightly smaller than the inside of your box base.
- * Cut at 1/2" to 1" graduated increments, these boxes will nest or stack nicely.

