

Building things with pieces of paper is a tradition that began right after paper was invented. Origami, the Japanese paper folding art, started over 1000 years ago!

Now it is your turn to build something. With your family, try to build the airplane model below using the airplane templates on the following pages. Don't forget to take it for a test flight!

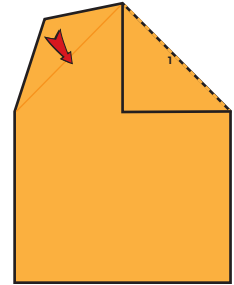
Get Ready

- Place the paper with "Up" arrow at top facedown. You won't see the lines until you start folding.



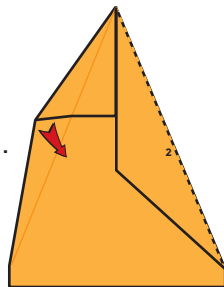
Step 1

- Fold the top right corner down and towards the middle, along the "1" fold line.
- Repeat with the top left corner.



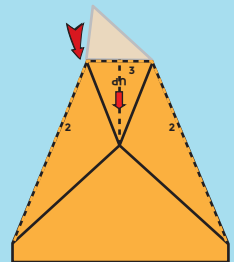
Step 2

- Fold the right side over again, along the "2" fold line.
- Repeat with the left side.



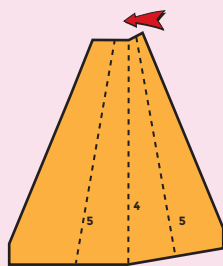
Step 3

- Fold the tip down and toward you, along the "3" line.



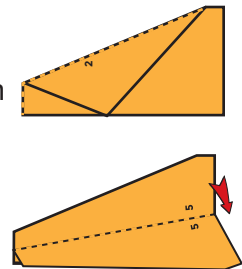
Step 4

- Flip the paper over so lines are face up.
- Fold sides towards each other, along the "4" line. You are folding the shape in half.



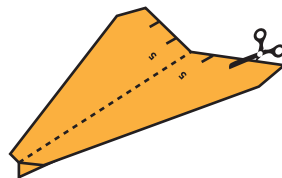
Step 5

- Fold the top side down (left wing) along the "5" line so the wing sticks out sideways from the rest of plane.
- Repeat with right wing.



Step 6

- Fly your plane!
- Change how it flies by moving its wings up and down or adding "elevators" (make 2 cuts on each wing about 2cm apart and fold them up or down).



Taking it Further

Check out many more airplanes online and build a whole fleet with your family!

