

How To Make a 5 Point Star

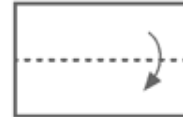
Older students can make origami stars. For children under 5 years, use the Star Activity pattern.

Here are the steps for folding and cutting a simple 5 point star:

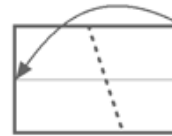
1) Fold a sheet of 8½ by 11 inch paper in half and crease firmly.



2) Fold in half again and crease. Unfold the second fold. The crease from the second fold serves as a guide for the next step.



3) Fold the top, right corner down and across so that the tip meets the edge of the paper at the crease line you created in step 2.



4) Fold the top, left corner down right along the edge of the paper.



5) Fold once again so that the top, left edge of the paper meets the right edge of the paper.



6) Starting at the folded tip, cut up a fairly sharp angle. For a fatter star, cut at a less sharp angle.



7. Unfold the small triangle to find a star.



After folding and cutting, students can color one side of the star and write their dream or wish on the other.

Display the stars on the wall or chain them together to decorate a room. Many of the ideas for the origami Dream Star can also be adapted for this simple star.