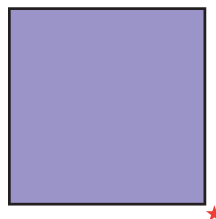


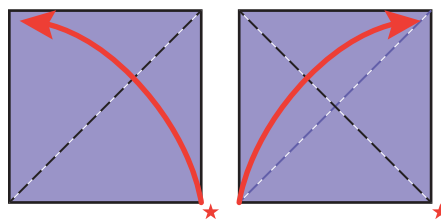
Origami Owl

Instructions

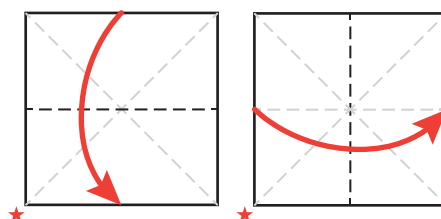
1. Start with a square piece of paper. (All sides should be equal, and all angles should be 90 degrees.) A good size to use is 15 centimeters by 15 centimeters. Make sure the colored side of the paper is up.



2. Carefully fold the paper in half to make a triangle. Then unfold. Carefully fold the paper in half to make a triangle using the other corners. Then unfold.

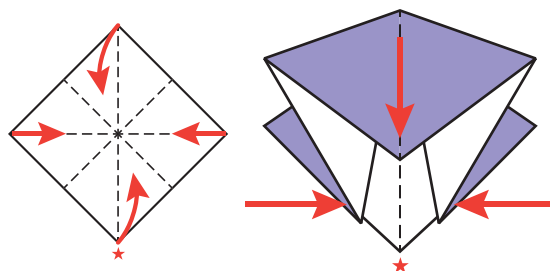


3. Turn the paper over from left to right. Carefully fold the paper in half from top to bottom. Then unfold. Carefully fold the paper in half from side to side. Then unfold.

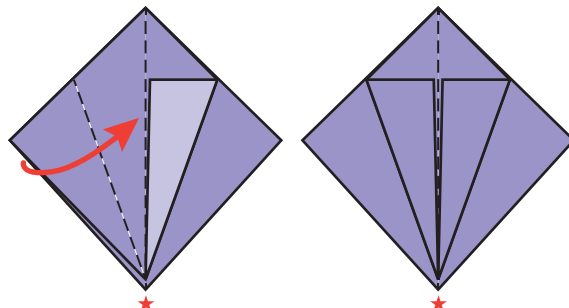


4. Turn the shape 45 degrees counterclockwise to position the square as shown.

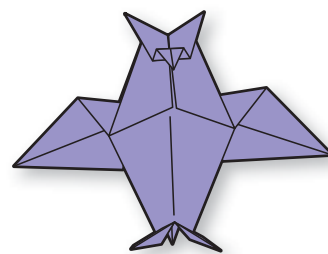
Let the paper collapse on the fold lines to get a square. Make sure all the folds are sharp. This square is the beginning of the Owl.



5. Lift the top double layer and fold the sides in so the edges meet in the middle. The folded part looks like an ice cream cone. Turn the shape over from left to right.

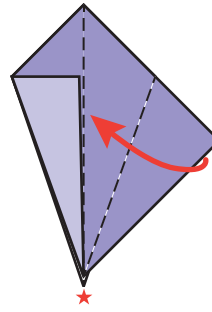


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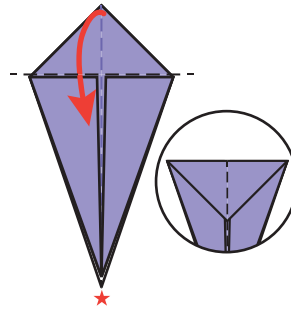


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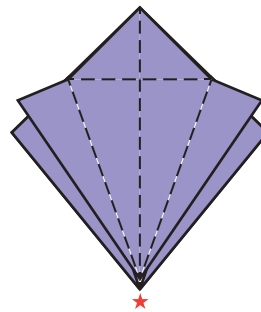
6. Lift the top double layer and fold the sides in so the edges meet in the middle. You again have two triangles that are reflections of each other, with a smaller isosceles triangle on top. The shape looks even more like an ice cream cone.



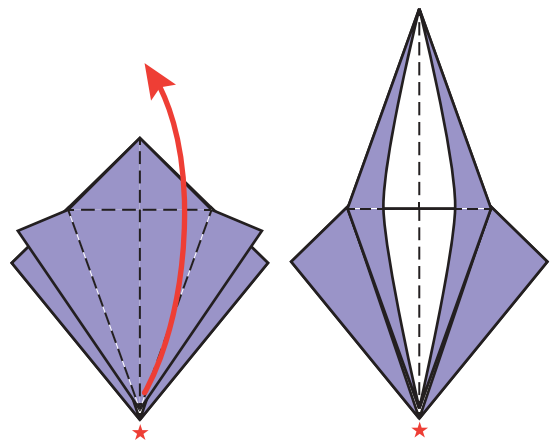
7. Fold the top triangle down (the ice cream fell off). Fold it back up and turn the ice cream cone over from left to right. Fold the top triangle down (the ice cream fell off again).



8. Open all the folds so you have the square from Step 4 again. The creases will help you do the next few steps.



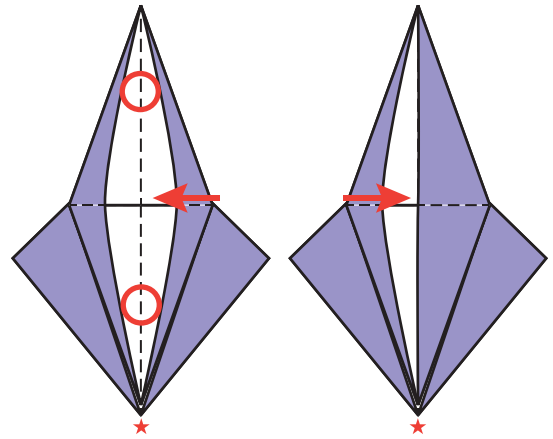
9. Lift the top layer at the bottom and pull it up toward the top. The shape looks something like a canoe.



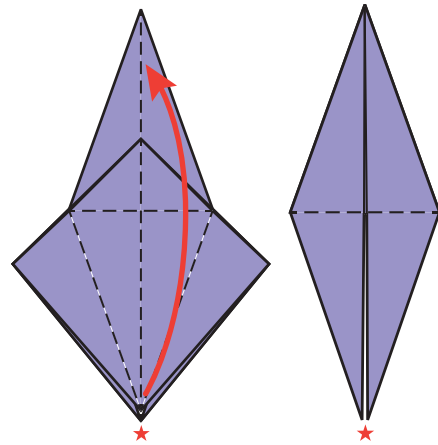
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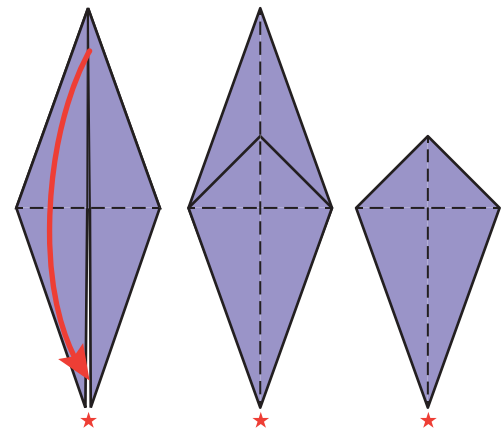
- 10.** Put two fingers inside the canoe to hold it in place. Carefully lay down the right side of the canoe and flatten it. Now carefully lay down the left side of the canoe and flatten it. (If you do one side at a time, it is usually easier.)



- 11.** Turn the flattened canoe over from left to right. Follow Steps 9 and 10 on this side. Now the shape looks like a diamond made up of four congruent right triangles. Make sure the open end is at the bottom of the diamond.



- 12.** Fold the top half down over the bottom half so the shape looks like a diamond with a triangle in the middle. Turn the diamond over from left to right. Again fold the top half down over the bottom half. Now the shape looks like a kite.

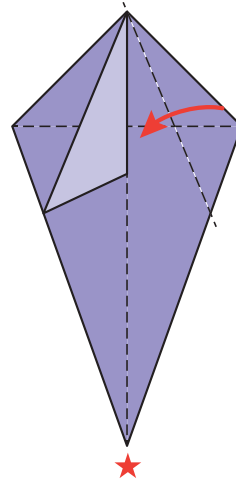


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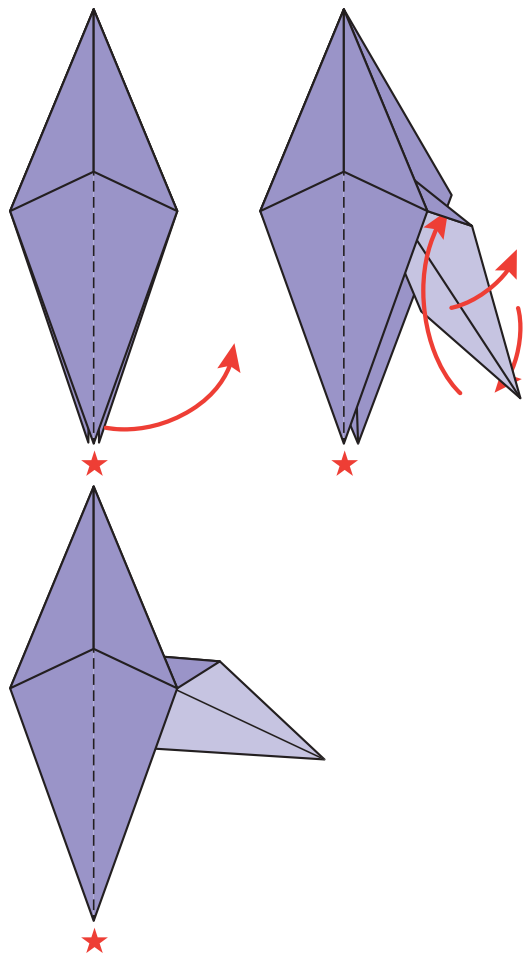
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- 13.** Working with the top layer of the kite, fold in the top left side so it meets the center crease. Fold in the top right side so it meets the center crease.

Turn the kite over from left to right and make the same folds on this side.



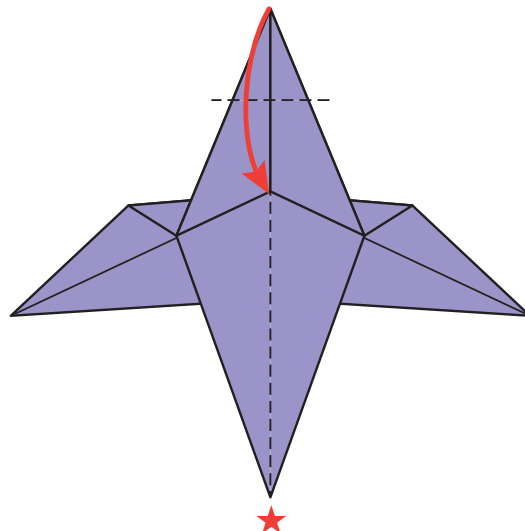
- 14.** Lift the top layer on the right side and find the flap that is just under it. Fold the flap up and toward the right. Then twist the flap backward and toward the right. Make the flap nice and flat. This is the owl's left wing. Make a similar flap on the left side; this is the owl's right wing.



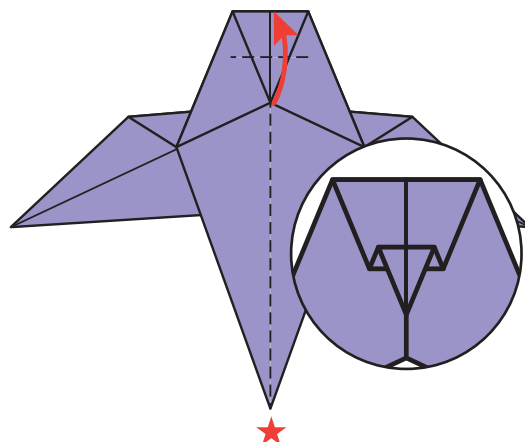
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- 15.** It's time to start making the owl's head. Notice that the shape of the owl's lower body is a kite. Fold the top point of the owl down to the top point of the kite and make a sharp horizontal crease.



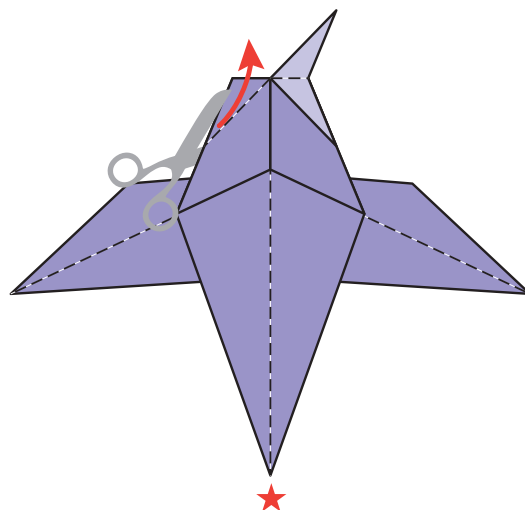
- 16.** Next, fold the point up to meet the crease you just made. Then fold the point back down to make a small pleat. You have made the owl's beak.



- 17.** For this step, you need a pair of scissors. Turn the owl over from left to right.

At the upper right corner, make a small cut in the top layer to make a triangular flap. Fold the flap up.

At the upper left corner, make a similar cut in the top layer. Fold this flap up as well. You have made the owl's tufts.

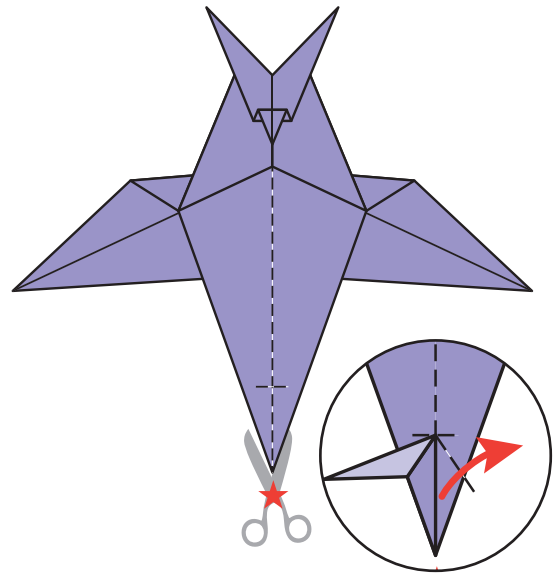


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- 18.** You are almost finished! Once again, turn the owl over from left to right.

Working only with the top layer of the bottom point, use the scissors to make a small cut along the center crease. You have made two flaps. Fold these flaps up and out to the sides. These are the owl's feet.



- 19.** Success! You have made an owl that looks a lot like a Great Horned Owl.

