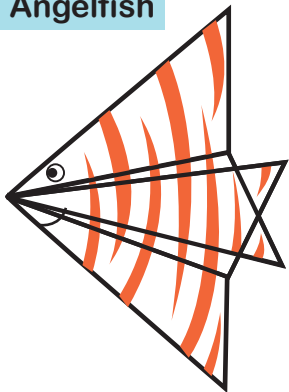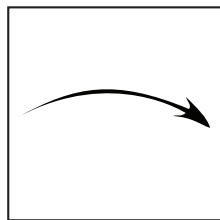# Learn to fold *Origami!*

Origami is the art of traditional Japanese paper-folding. It began in China over 1,800 years ago and came to Japan during the 6th century. You can make your own origami! Cut out the paper square on the next page and follow these directions.
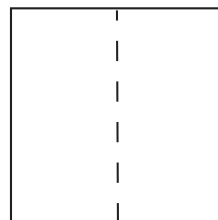
Angelfish

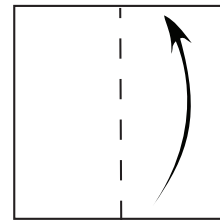**Your finished angelfish will look like this!**

1)

Fold your paper in half, then unfold.

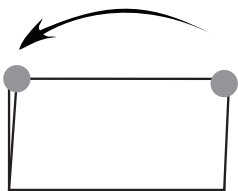Your paper should be creased, like this.

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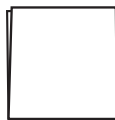Fold your paper in half so the bottom meets the top.
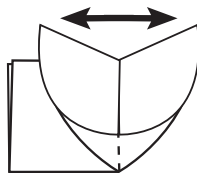
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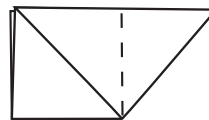Now, fold the right side over to meet the left.

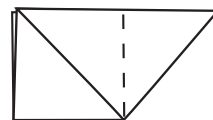Your paper should now form a square, like this.

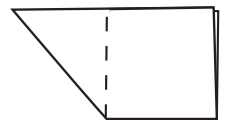**4)**

Open up the top two flaps and fold flat.

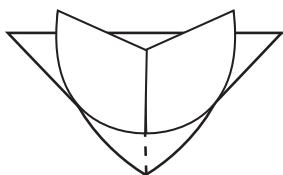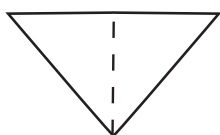Your paper will look like this.

5)

Flip your paper over.

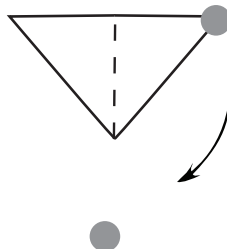It should look like this.

6)

Open the two top flaps again, as in step 3, and fold flat.
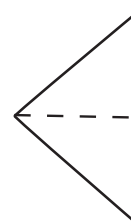
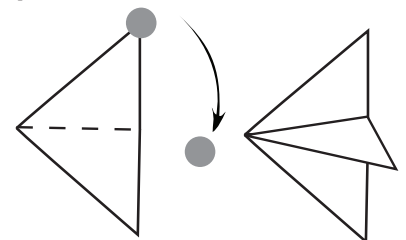Your paper will now look like this.

7)

Turn your paper so the base of the triangle faces right.

Your paper should look like this.
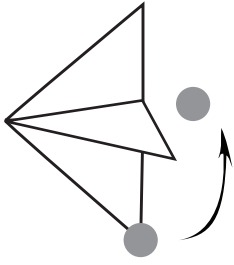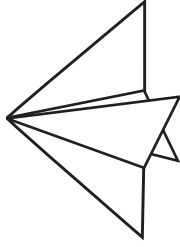
8)

Fold the top flap down so the point is just below the middle.

Your paper will now look like this.

9)

Now do the same on the bottom.

Your paper will now look like this.

Add an eye, a smile, and some stripes, and your angelfish is complete!