

Learn to fold *Origami*!

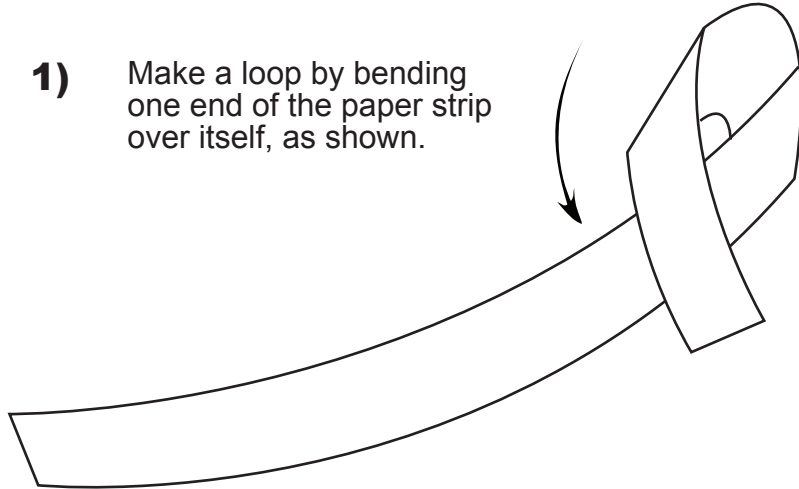


Origami is the art of traditional Japanese paper-folding. It began in China over 1,800 years ago and came to Japan during the 6th century. You can make your own origami! Cut out the strip of paper on the next page and follow these directions.

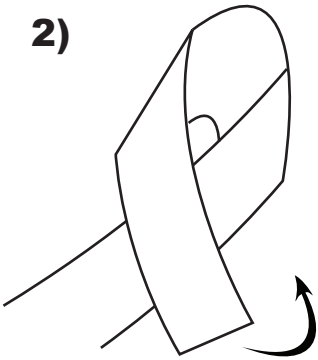


Your finished puffy star will look like this!

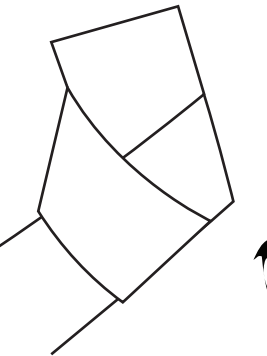
- 1)** Make a loop by bending one end of the paper strip over itself, as shown.



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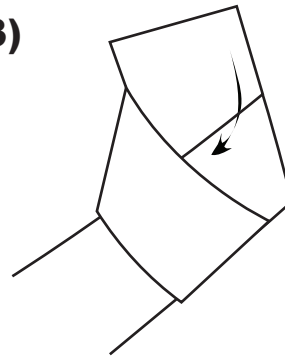


Tuck the end through the loop, tighten into a knot, and flatten.

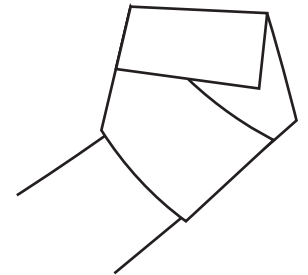


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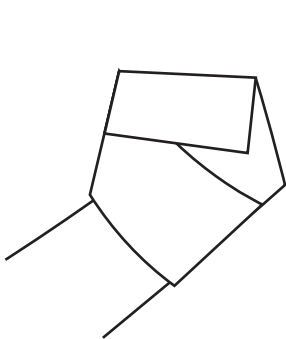


Fold the top tab down so it's out of the way.

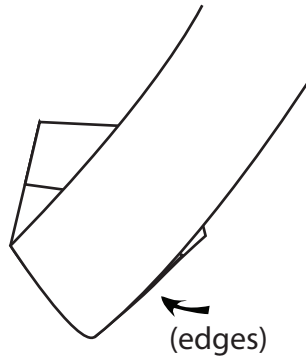


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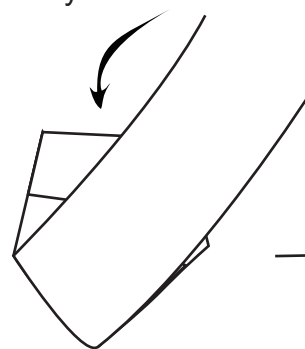


Fold the paper over the knot so the bottom edges match up, as shown here.

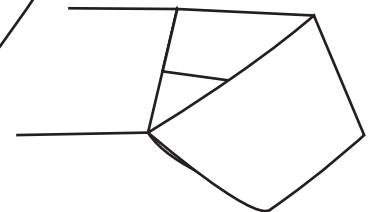


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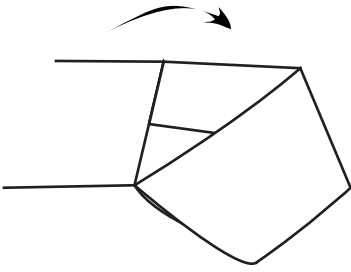


Fold over again so the strip goes underneath.

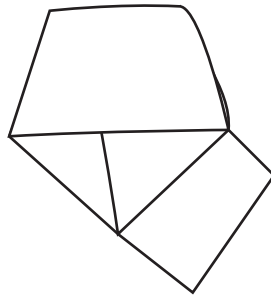


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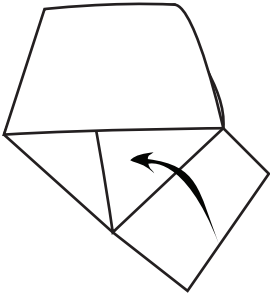


Continue folding the strip over until you have only a small tab left at the end.

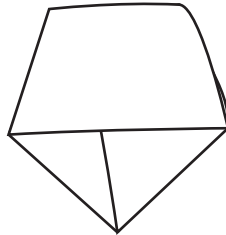


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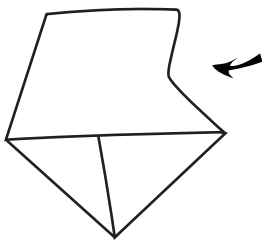


Tuck the tab into the triangle-shaped gap.



Your paper should now look like this.

8)



Gently push in one of the five sides with your fingernail.



Do the same with each of the other four sides. Your star is complete!

