

5TH GRADE ART LESSON WEEK 3

March 30-April 3

This week every grade will be learning about Origami! Origami art came from Japan and has been around for hundreds of years. Origami is the art of folding one sheet of paper with no cuts into a form. The form can be anything like a boat, cat, dragon or even a bird. In fact, there is an old Japanese legend that if you fold one thousand origami cranes you can make one wish that will actually come true. All you need is paper!

[This is a link to a webpage](#) with a full history of origami and some amazing finished project photos.

[This is a video link](#) to an origami animation about a hero trying to save a very important item from a deep canyon full of other origami creatures trying to stop it. This video is what is called stop motion. That means everything you see was folded and moved and photographed by hand to be put together into a video!

[This is a link to an origami short film](#) that shows a boy on an origami adventure with something dark following close behind all the way! Check it out to see how hard work and determination pays off!

Supplies:

Square sheet of paper

In this lesson you will be folding an easy origami dragon. Origami can be difficult to do correctly at first but keep trying and you will become an expert in no time. Art hub for kids has many amazing videos on how to fold origami so after you fold the dragon try another project, like a ninja star!

[Here is a link to the video for the lesson.](#)



Finished project example!