

Activity: Bat Origami Bookmark

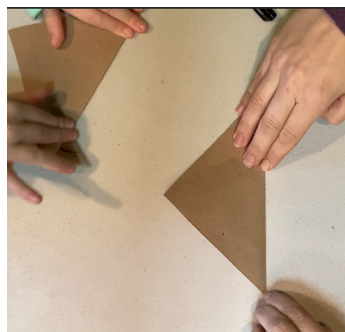
Use just one square of paper to make a fantastic flying creature bookmark!

THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED

- 4"x4" Paper
- Scissors
- Markers or Colored Pencils
- Stickers (Optional)



Make sure to press firmly at every step of this activity, so you can see the creases.



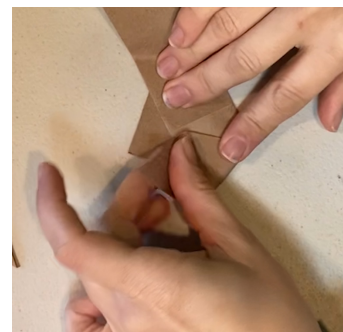
Step 1
Fold your paper square corner-to-corner (into a triangle).



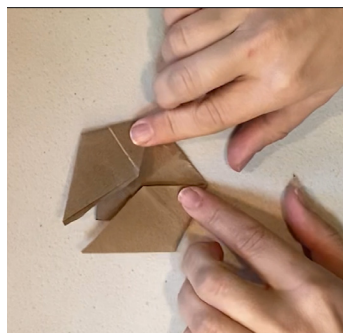
Step 2
Match the other corners, fold again. Make sure you can see an X-shaped crease.



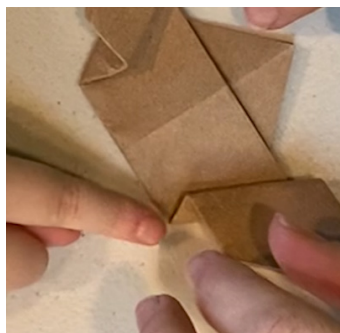
Step 3
Fold corner-to-corner again, and fold about halfway down. It will look like a little boat.



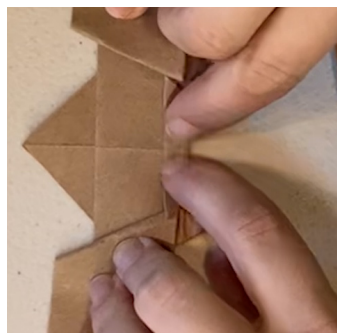
Step 4
Fold in the wings toward the middle crease.



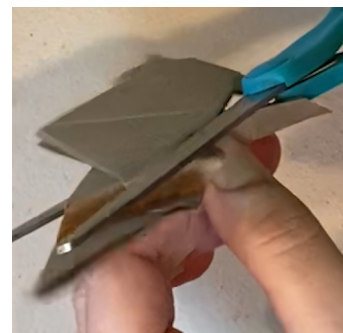
Step 5
Now your origami will look like a bat face!



Step 6
Fold both wings. You will make a tiny cut next to the triangle. Those are your bat's ears.



Step 7
Press down the paper between the ears. This will make it easy to trim.



Step 8
Trim between the ears at the crease of the paper. Be careful not to cut off the ears!



Step 9
Draw a face on your bat!



Step 10
Your bat origami bookmark is ready to use!
What book will you choose?

The Foster
WATERCOLOR EXHIBITIONS
OF WILDERNESS JOURNEYS

Activity: Salt Stalactite

With basic supplies and a little time, you can create your very own salt stalactite. If you are lucky, you will also get a stalagmite or a column!

THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED

- Water
- Salt (Have 1 pound at hand.)
- 2 Cups
- Thick String or Jute
- Spoon
- Food Coloring (Optional)
- Tray or Casserole Dish (Optional)



Step 1
Place two cups a few inches apart. We set them in a casserole dish to catch any spilled water and salt.



Step 2
Fill the cups with water up to an inch below the rim.



Step 3 Optional
Add food coloring and stir.



Step 4
Add salt to the water by heaping spoonfuls, and stir after every addition. You've added enough salt when it no longer dissolves in the water.



Step 5
Place each end of your string or jute into one of the cups. Pinch the middle of the string in an "M" shape.



Step 6
Wait at least a week and check on your formation. Many factors are involved in how an experiment turns out. Give it a try and see what kind of formation you get!