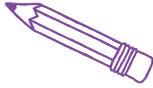


ACTIVITY TIME

Featured Stories Program

books
for
preschoolers



ONCE UPON A SMALL RHINOCEROS by Meg McKinlay & Leila Rudge

Once, there was a small rhinoceros who wanted to see the world. She dreamed of exciting new sounds, smells and sights from faraway lands. *Once Upon a Small Rhinoceros* is a magical story of hope and determination, and sends the very important message to dream BIG, no matter how small you may feel.



Activity Title: Origami Boat

You will need:

- A4 paper (for multiple boats use different colours, or decorate plain paper with shapes or patterns)
- Crayons (optional).

Instructions

1. Use template for instructions
2. Make one, two or ten boats and enjoy floating them in water. Add water to a sink, enjoy in the bath, or add a small amount of water to a wading pool.

Please Note: It is essential that all children be supervised while playing with water.

More ideas:

Talk with your child about the small rhinoceros and how she imagined exciting places to visit. Can your child describe an exciting place they would like to see? Perhaps chat about countries around the world or imagine wild and wacky adventures. Borrow books from the library about other countries and find out how other children and families live around the world.

Help your child to make their own adventure picture book of the places they go each day. Capture your child's adventures by writing stories, drawing pictures, or taking photographs while out and about, for example; at the park, the library, the beach or even grocery shopping. Draw or Print out photographs and encourage your child to re-tell or imagine an exciting story. Or make a simple 'passport' and write in the places they go each day, and describe each place. This is a fun and engaging way to build literacy and your child's understanding of how stories work before they get to kindergarten or school.

*STEM Focus: Pre-schoolers can understand simple concepts about geography including hills, forests, seas, rivers, plains, jungles, rainforests, volcanoes and deserts. Use playdough to create an imaginary world, or play outside collecting natural found objects to build an environment featuring some geographic formations.



Adult supervision is essential. Involve and talk with your child as much as possible.

Songs

A Sailor Went to Sea, Sea, Sea, Here is Sea the Wavy Sea and Row, Row, Row Your Boat.

Key message

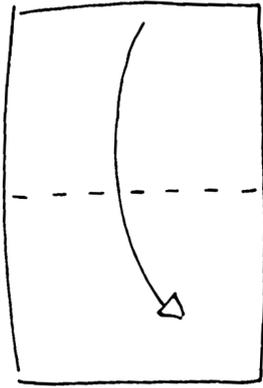
The first five years matter, and last a lifetime.

*You can introduce simple Science Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) concepts to children aged 2+ years through every day play.

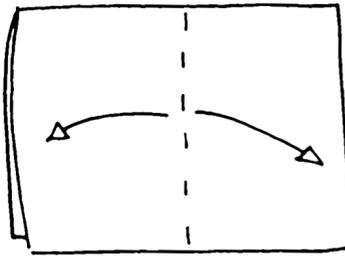
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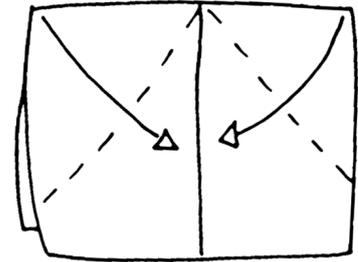




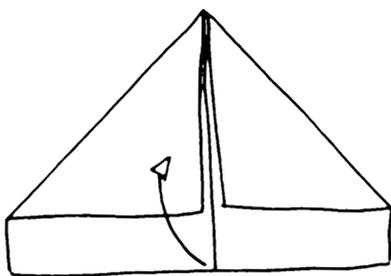
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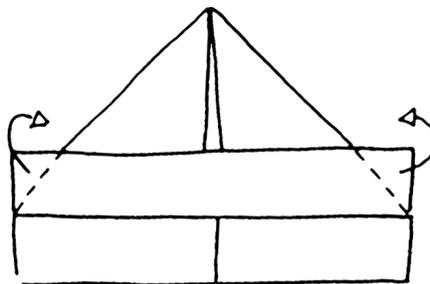
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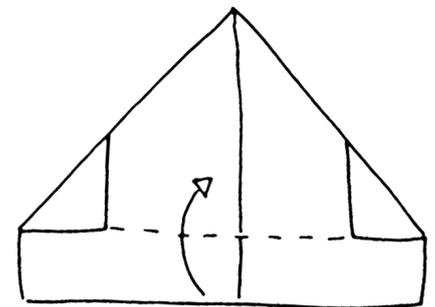
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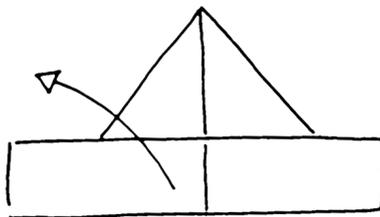
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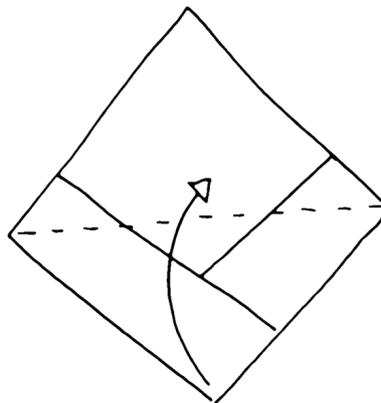
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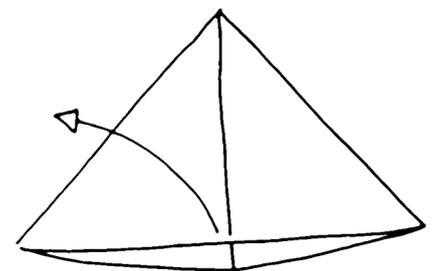
6. Turn over fold overhanging strip up and corners over



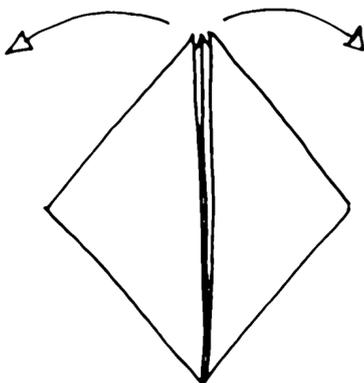
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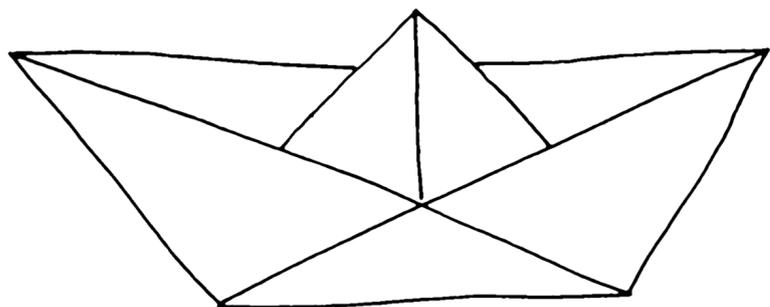
8. Fold triangle upwards turn over and repeat



9. Open out and flatten



10. Take upper corners and pull apart



11. Finished boat