## Flapping Bird



Who ever dreamed of flying? Flying high, seeing the world from above. Traveling to distant places... Today there are planes and helicopters. But before this dream of mankind come true, for a long time all that human beings could do was admire the birds and ... imagine!

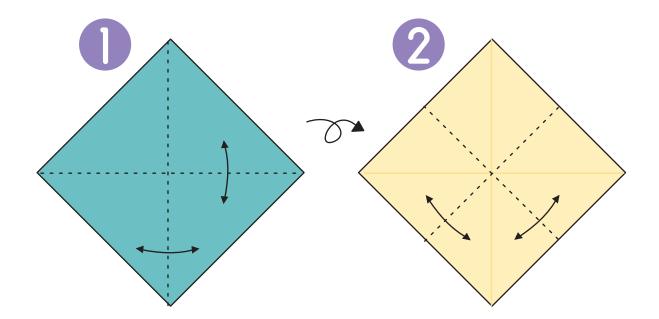
Leonardo Da Vinci, the Renaissance painter, inventor and engineer, created several drawings of flying machines. He also built some models. He was observant and persistent. So some of his projects sought to emulate the wings of birds and their movements.

Does Melvin dream of flying when he creates paper birds? Maybe. And he also does another very important thing for planet Earth, with paper. He recycles it! :)

> Origami (traditional). Steps and text: Rita Foelker Created for 'The Paper Girls Show' | Episode 9: A Shred' of a Difference' Ages: 6+

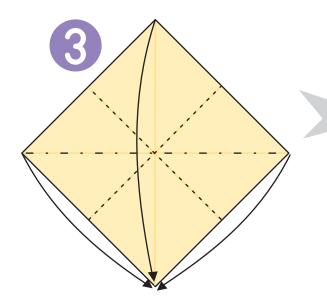
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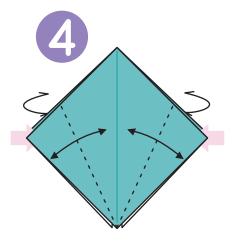
## Flapping Bird steps USE A SQUARE OF PAPER



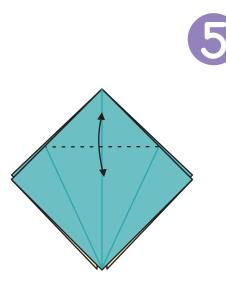
1. Fold by joining opposite corners, then open. Do the same by joining the other two corners.

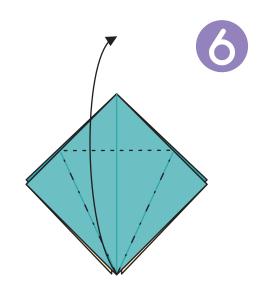
 2. Turn the model over. Then fold side to side.
Do the same with the other two sides and open.





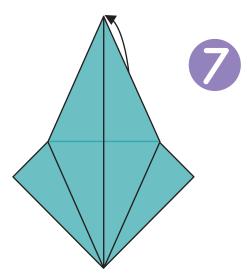
3. Taking advantage of the creases, join the corners at the bottom 4. Bring the front flaps to the center and open. Do the same behind.



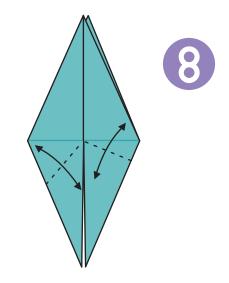


5. Fold the upper triangle at the edge of the previous folds.

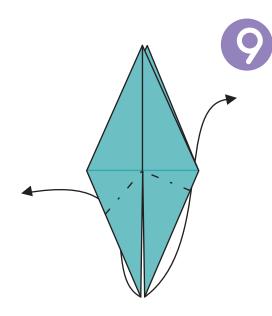
6. Lift the bottom tip, using the creases you just made.

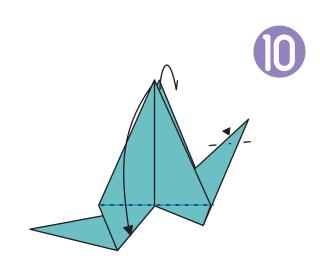


7. Repeat on the back.



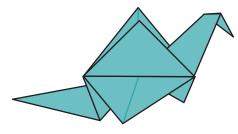
8. Fold forward to crease. Then unfold.

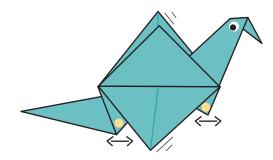




9. Fold the undersides inward.

10. Lower both wings. Fold the spout inward.





The Flapping Bird is ready!

Hold at the yellow dots. Move your hands in the direction of the arrows. The bird will flap its wings!

Ready! Now you can color and decorate it!

