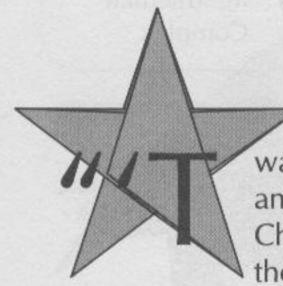
Christmas Origami John Montroll

### Introduction



was the night before Christmas and all through the house . . . ." Each year, friends and family around the world come together to celebrate the joyous holiday of Christmas and an exciting part of Christmas preparations is making decorations for the house and tree.

I am pleased to present 47 Christmas projects, most at the intermediate folding level. Models are grouped into four sections: the Nativity, Twelve Days of Christmas, Tree Ornaments and Gifts, and the North Pole. Each section contains exciting models that bring out the spirit of Christmas.

From the manger to the Three Wise Men, the Nativity scene reflects the meaning of Christmas. In the Twelve Days of Christmas section, folders will delight in making everything from the partridge to the twelve drummers drumming, with the five golden rings in the middle. In the Tree Ornaments and Gift section, which includes an angel and gift boxes, decorate your tree and house with a train set, stockings, and even the nutcracker. To round out the book, visit the North Pole where you will find trees, snowman, reindeer, and of course Santa Claus.

Each model is folded from a single sheet of uncut paper. The difficulty level, though somewhat arbitrary, is shown in the contents. It is recommended that a beginner start with simple, one star models. The illustrations conform to the internationally accepted Randlett-Yoshizawa conventions. The colored side of origami paper is represented by the shadings in the diagrams. Origami paper can be found in many hobby shops or purchased by mail from OrigamiUSA, 15 West 77th Street, New York, NY 10024-5192 or from Dover Publications, Inc., 31 East 2nd Street, Mineola, NY 11501. Large sheets are easier to use than small ones.

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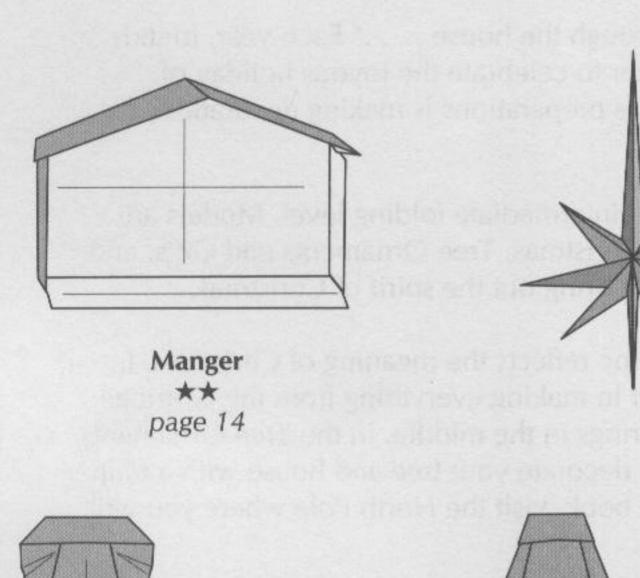
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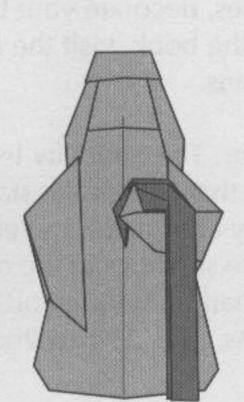
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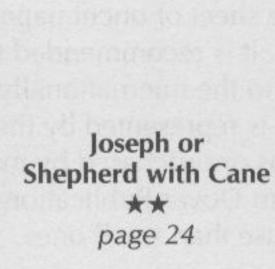
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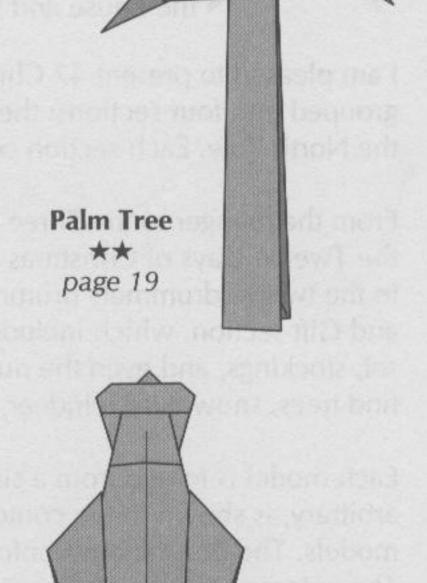


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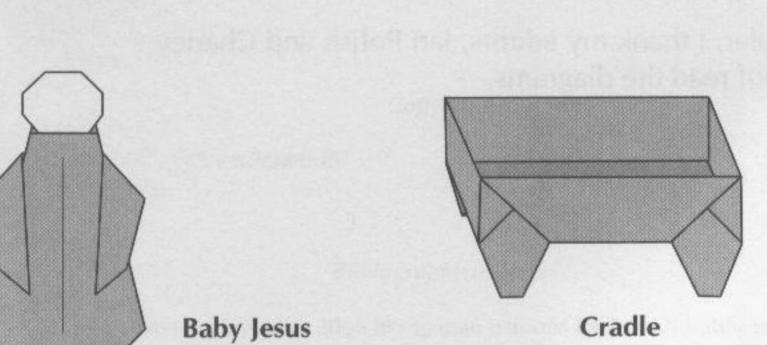
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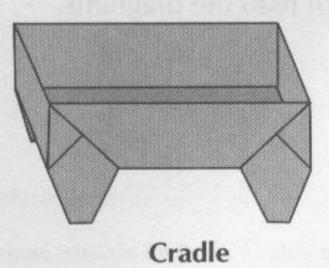


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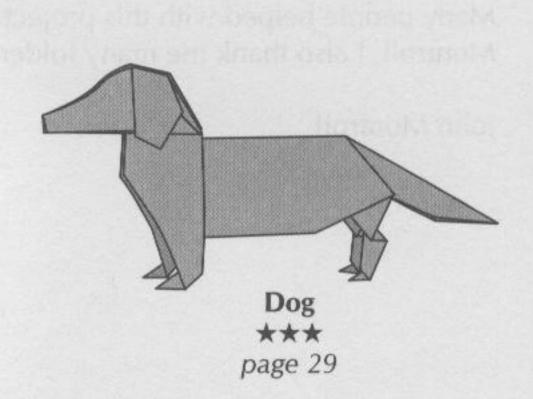
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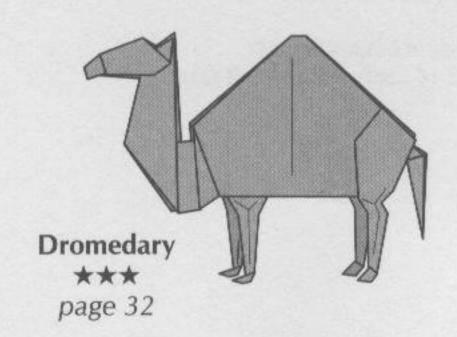




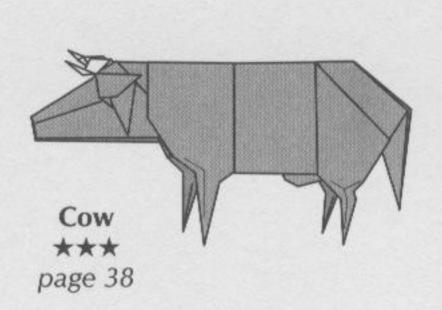
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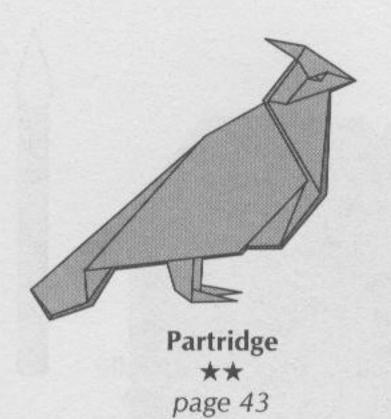
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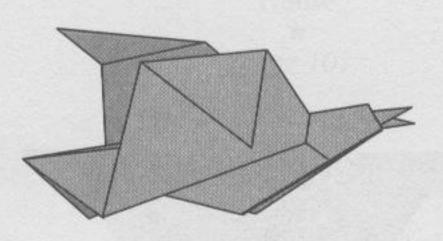




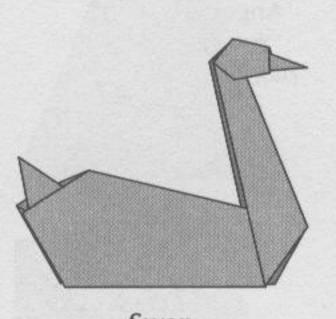




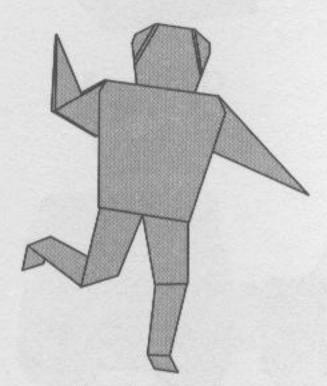




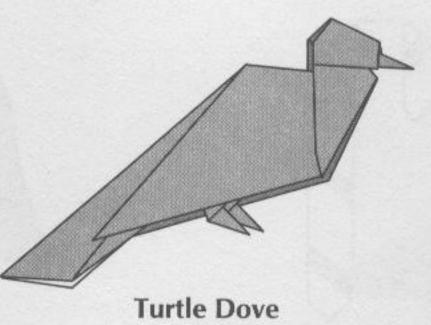
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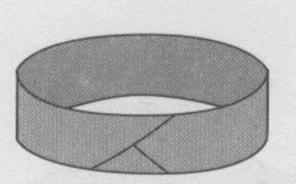
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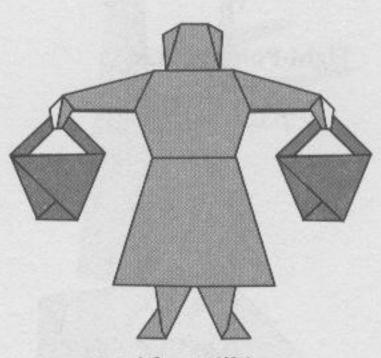
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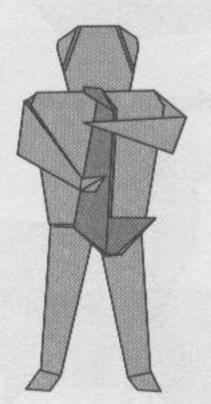
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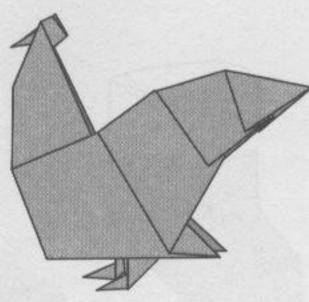
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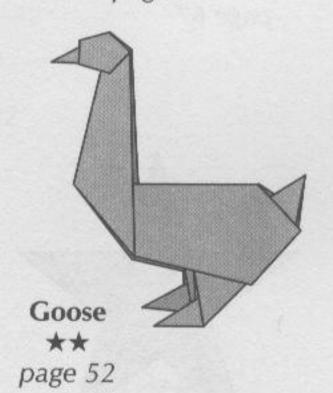
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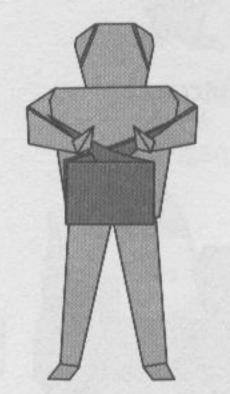


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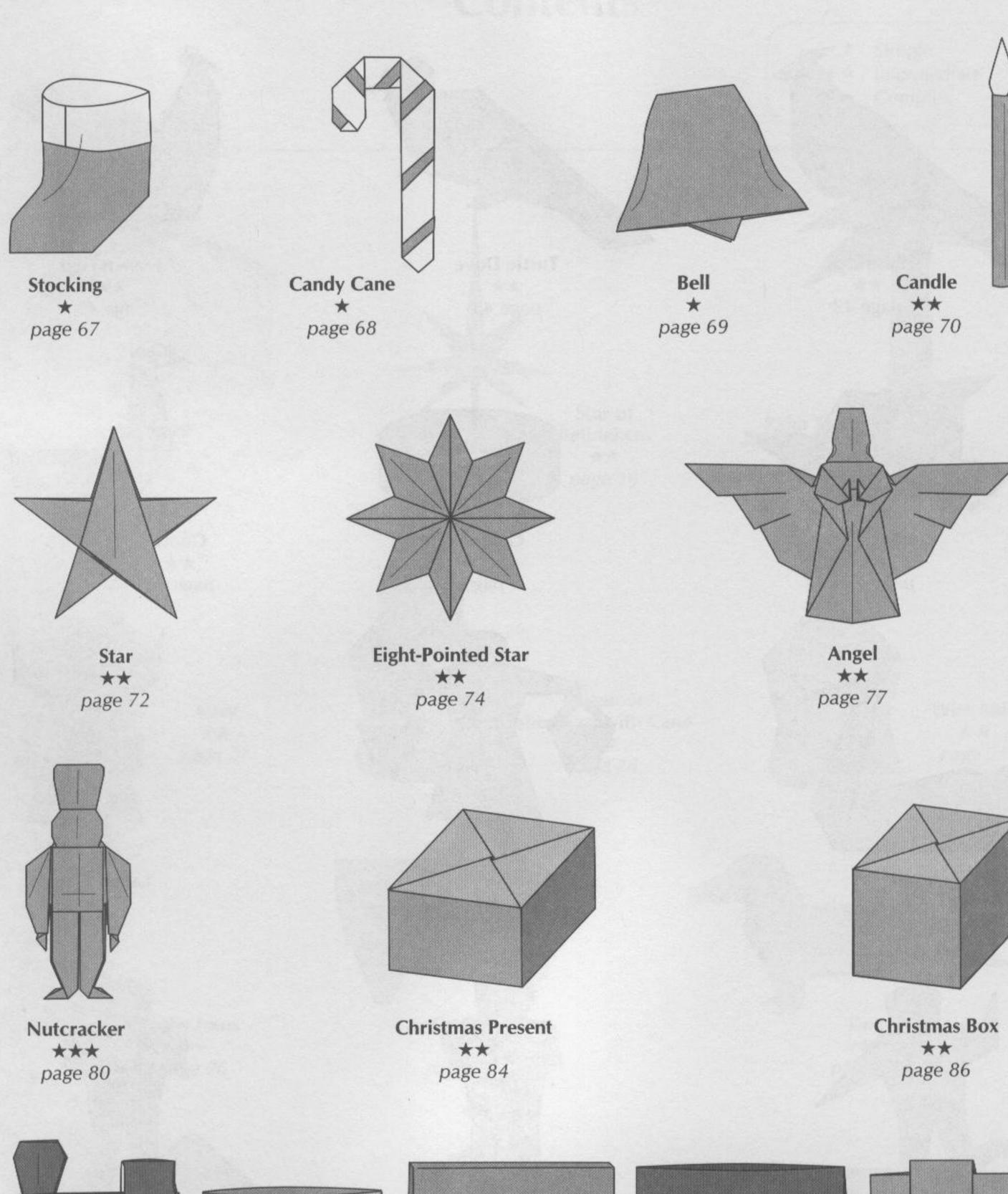


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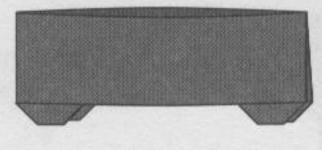
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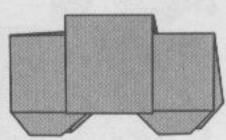
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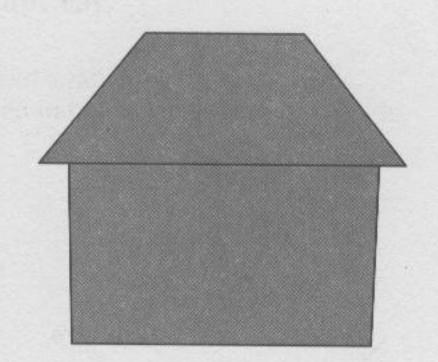
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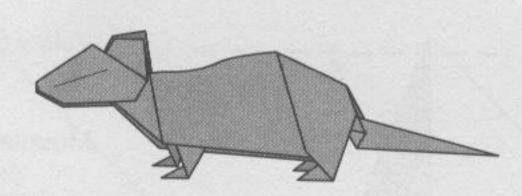


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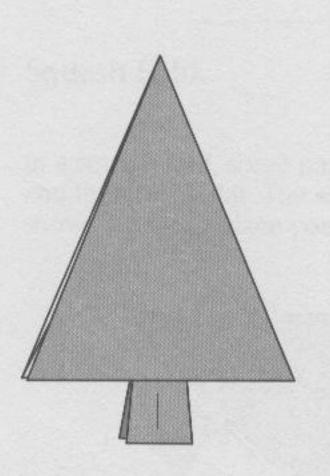
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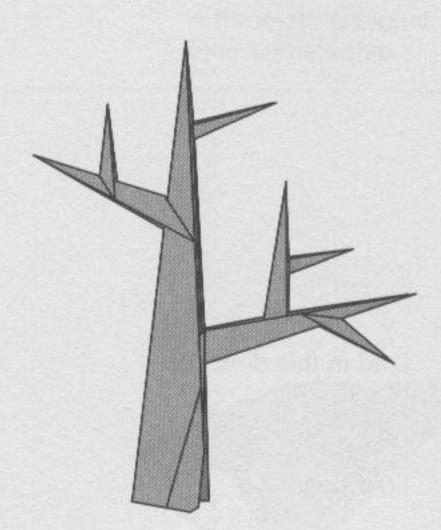
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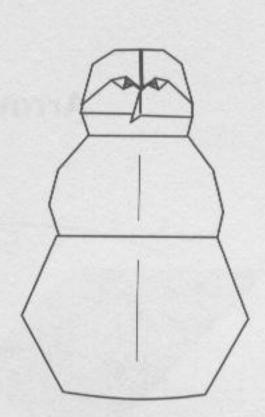
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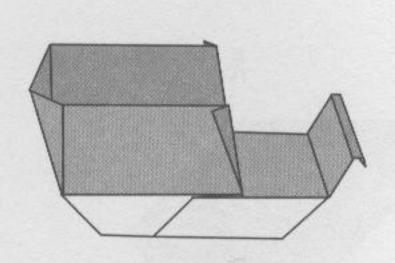
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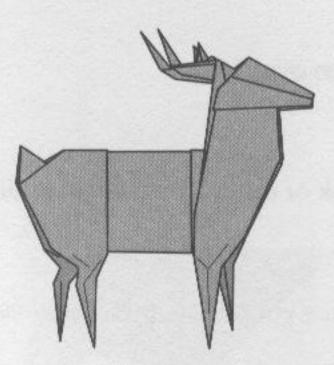
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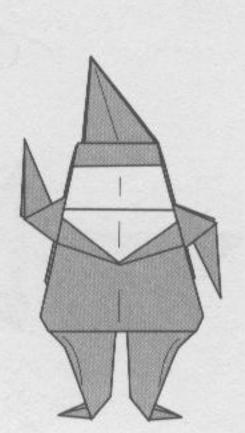
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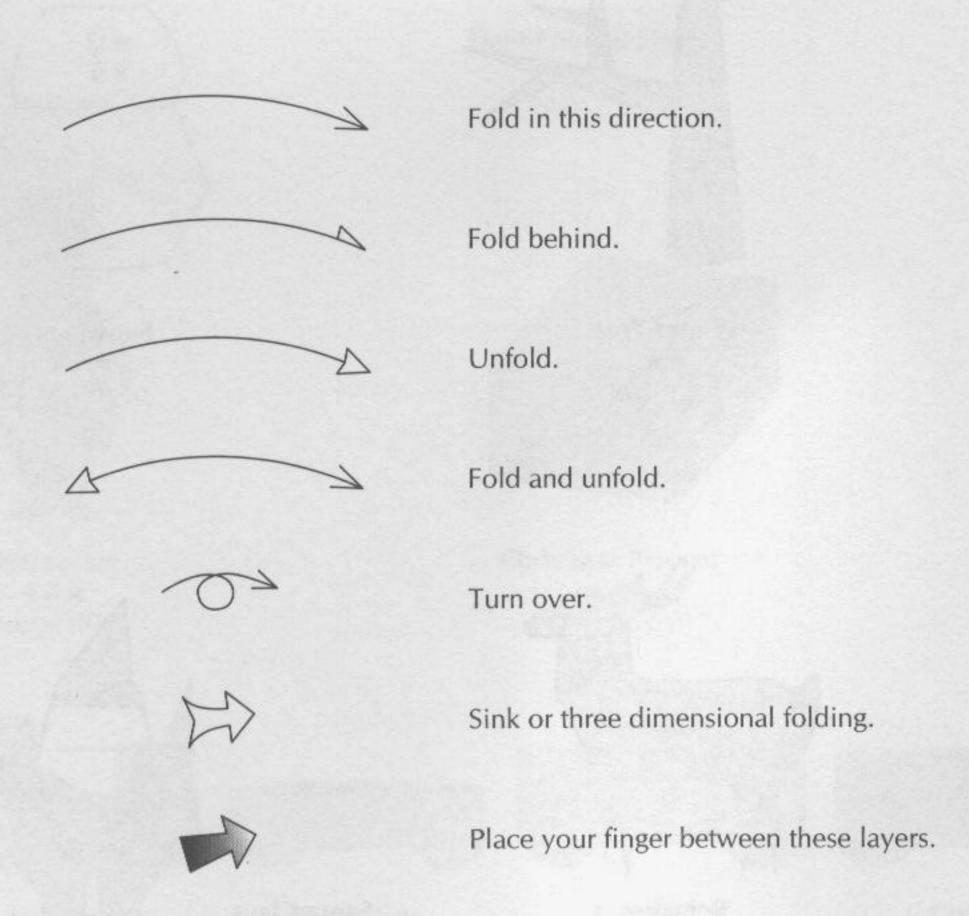
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# Symbols

### Lines

Valley fold, fold in front. Mountain fold, fold behind. Crease line. X-ray or guide line.

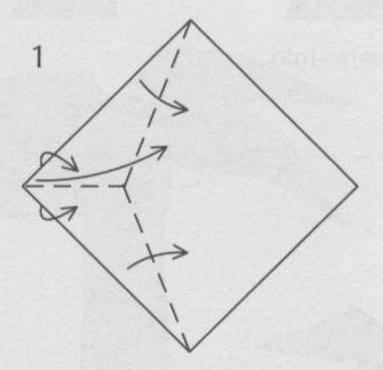
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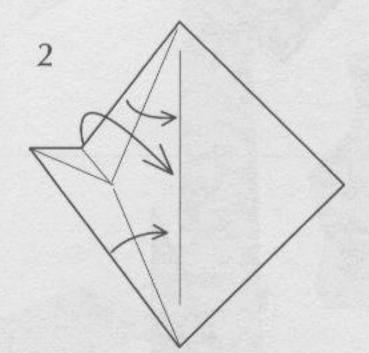
### **Basic Folds**

#### Rabbit Ear.

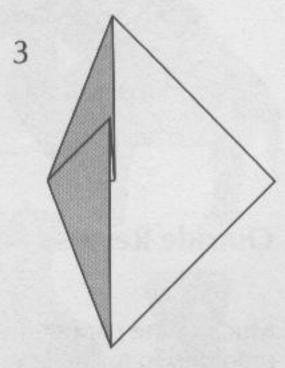
To fold a rabbit ear, one corner is folded in half and laid down to a side.



Fold a rabbit ear.

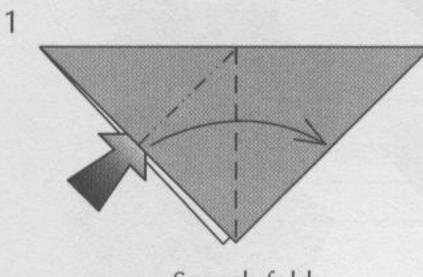


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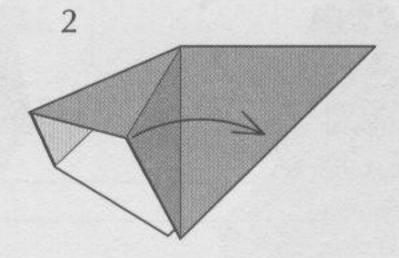


#### Squash Fold.

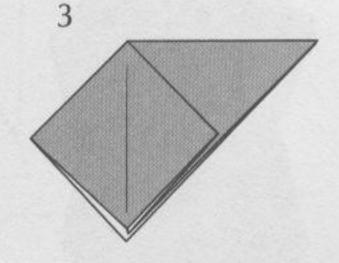
In a squash fold, some paper is opened and then made flat. The shaded arrow shows where to place your finger.



Squash-fold.

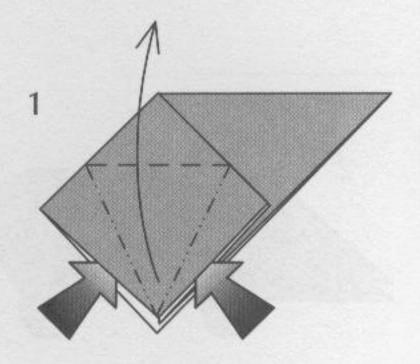


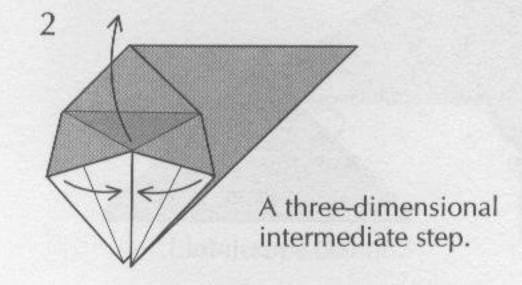
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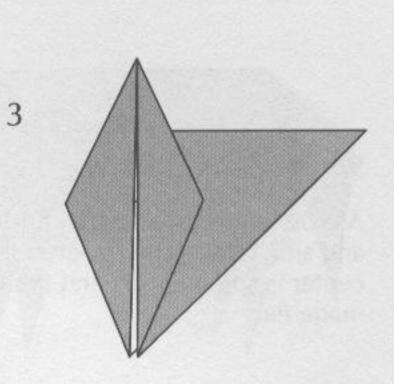


#### Petal Fold.

In a petal fold, one point is folded up while two opposite sides meet each other.



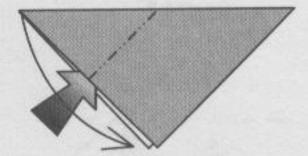




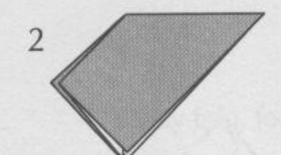
#### Inside Reverse Fold.

In an inside reverse fold, some paper is folded between layers. Here are two examples.

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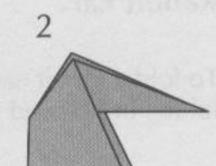


Reverse-fold.



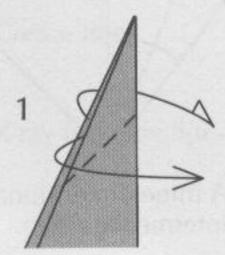
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Reverse-fold.

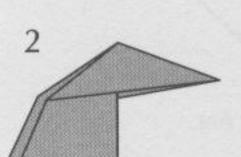


#### **Outside Reverse Fold.**

Much of the paper must be unfolded to make an outside reverse fold.

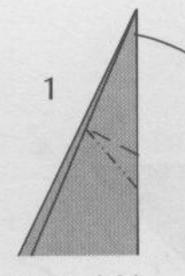


Outside-reverse-fold.

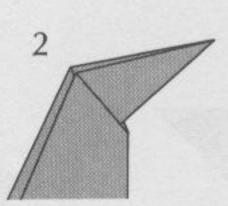


### Crimp Fold.

A crimp fold is a combination of two reverse folds.

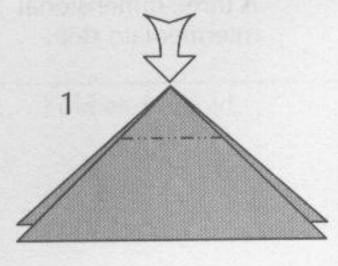


Crimp-fold.

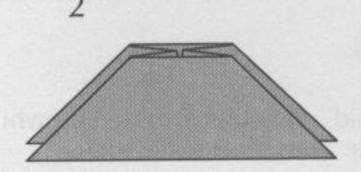


#### Sink Fold.

In a sink fold, some of the paper without edges is folded inside. To do this fold, much of the model must be unfolded.

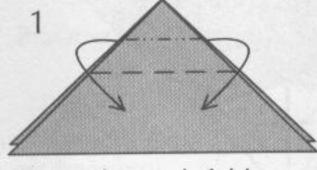


Sink.

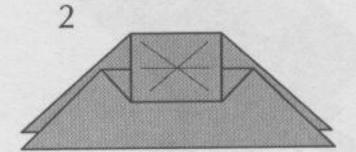


### Spread Squash Fold.

A cross between a squash fold and sink fold, some paper in the center is spread apart and then made flat.

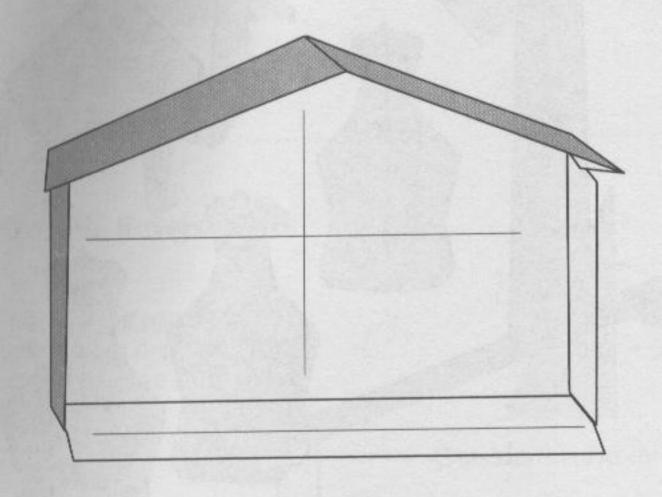


Spread-squash-fold.

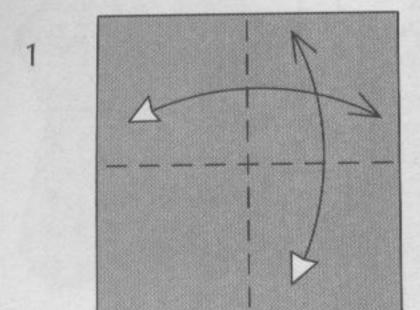




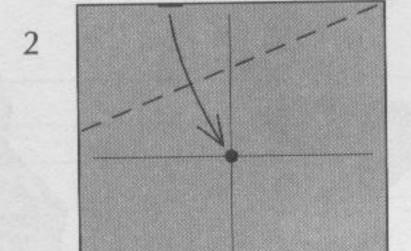
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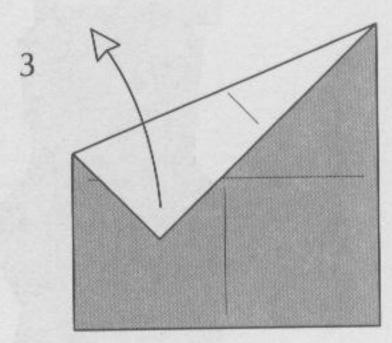
Away in a manger, no crib for His bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head; The stars in the heavens looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.



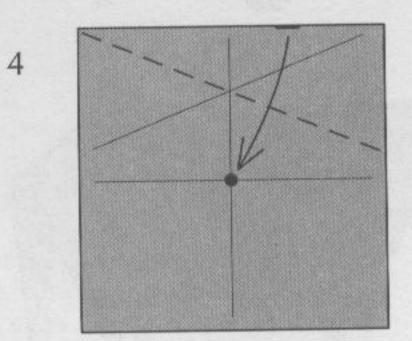
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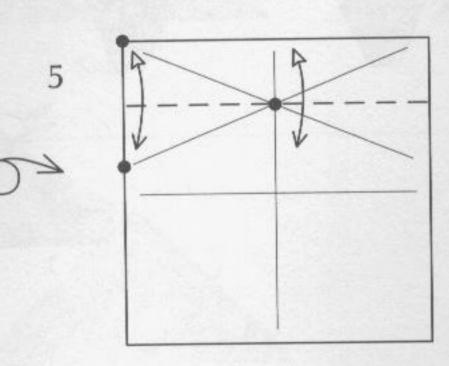
Bring the edge to the center.



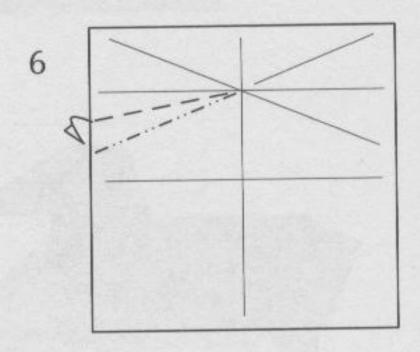
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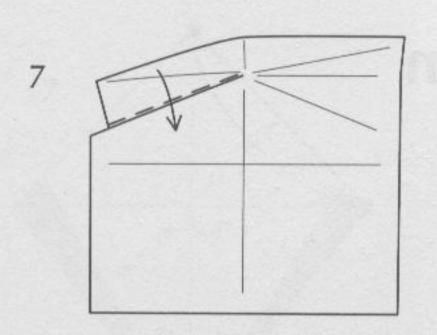


Repeat steps 2-3 on the right.

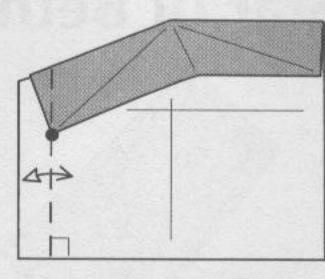


Fold and unfold.

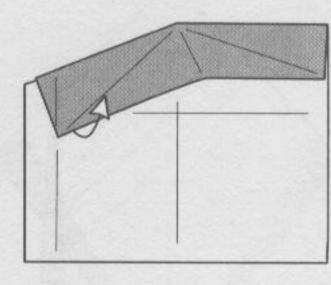




The model is three-dimensional. Crease on the left.



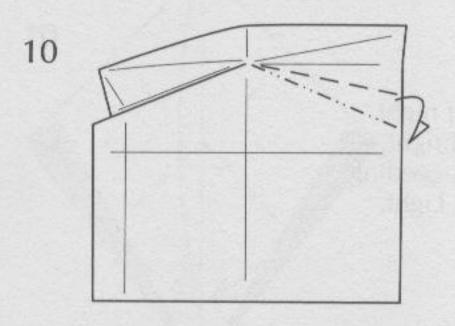
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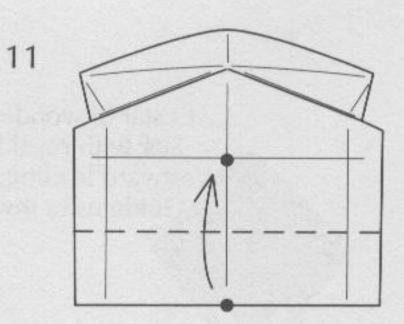
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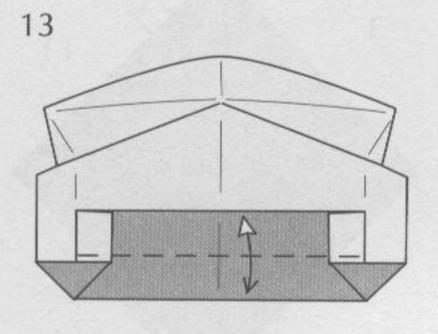
Lift up.



Repeat steps 6-9 on the right.

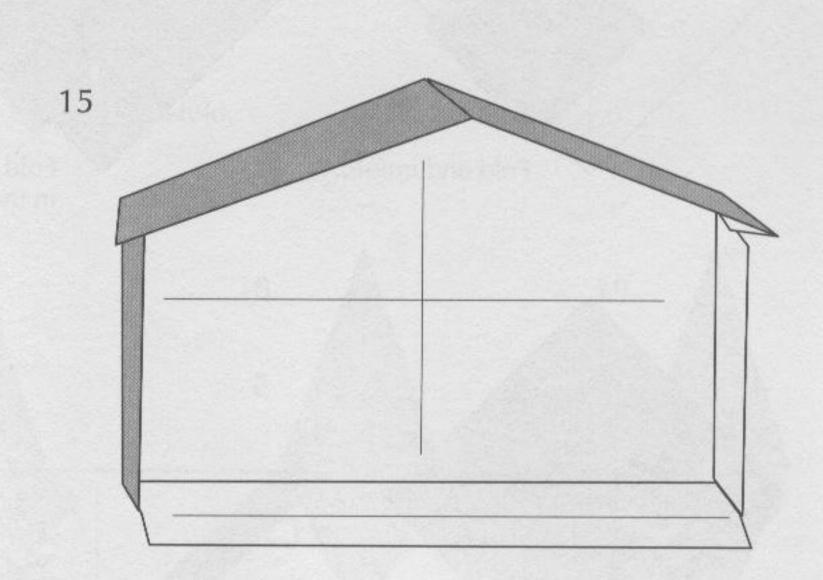


Squash folds.



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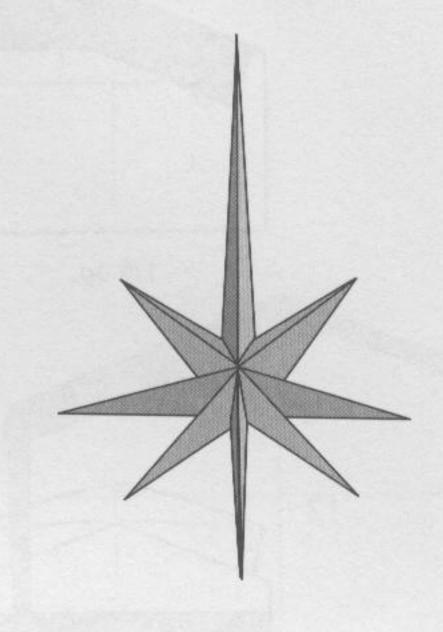
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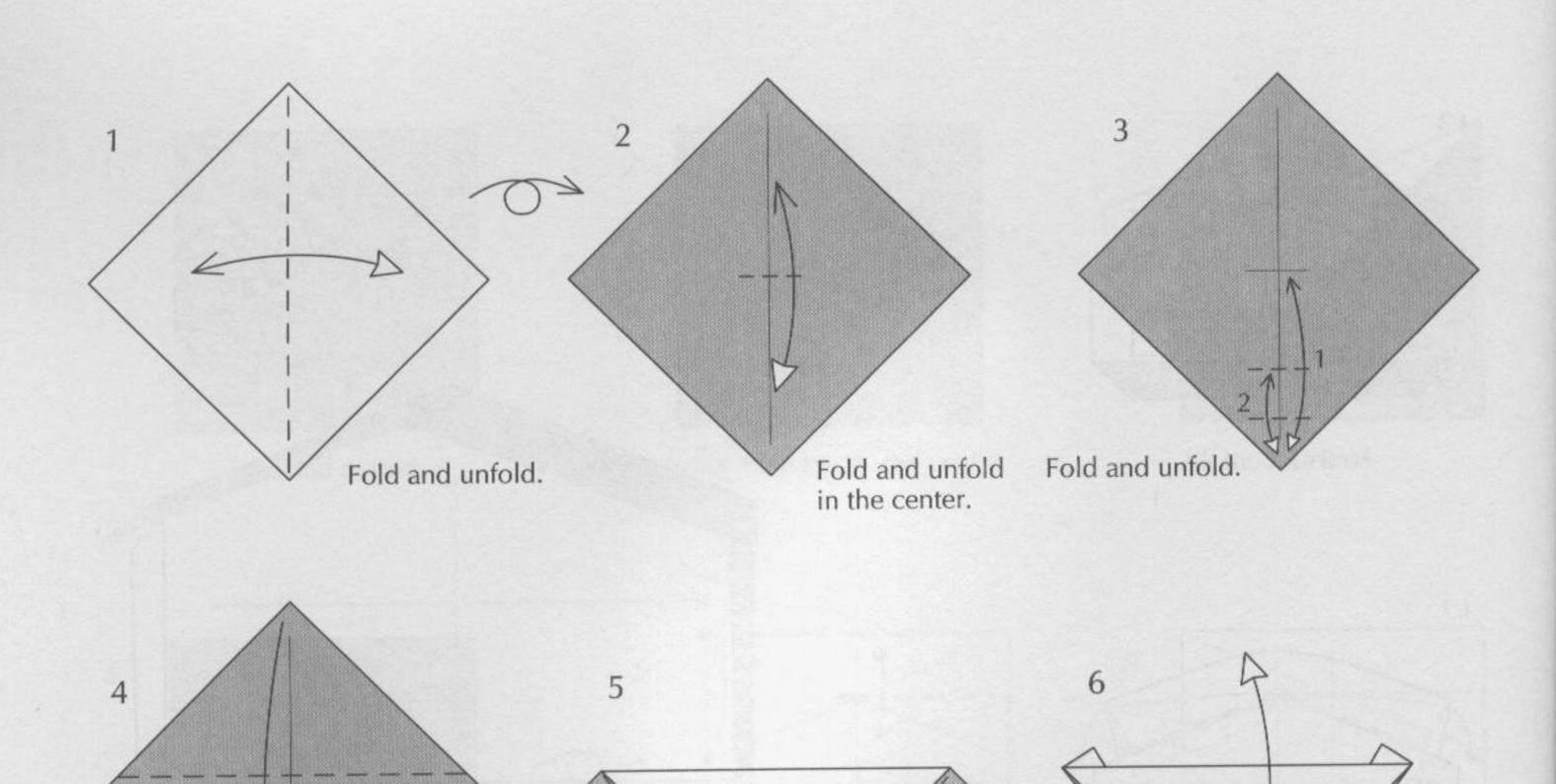
Open and shape.

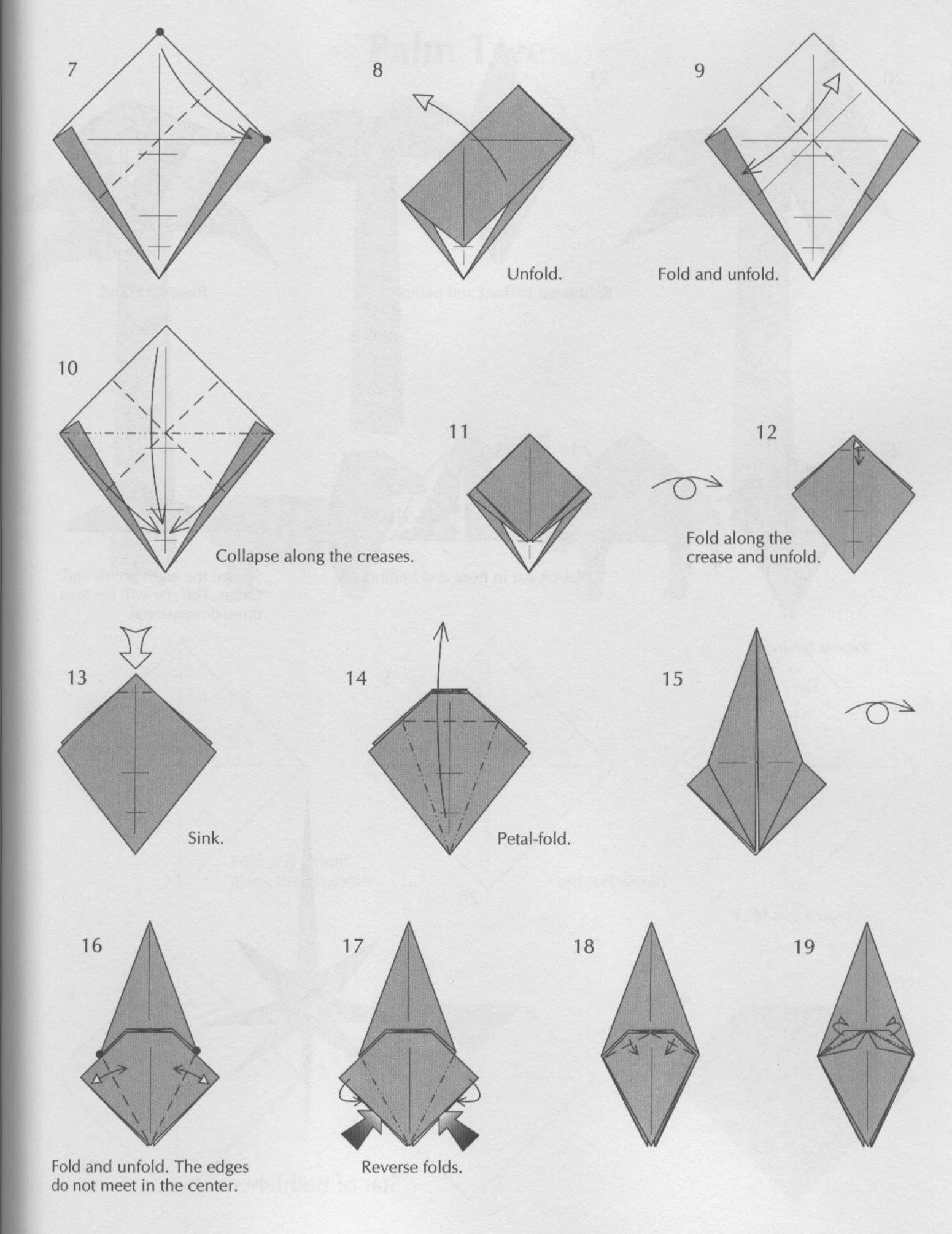
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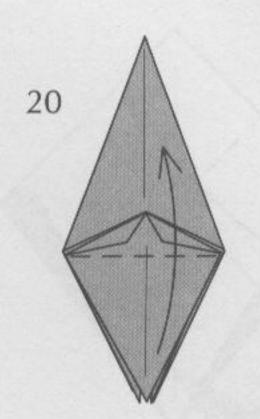


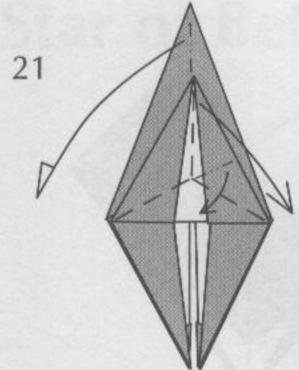
O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect Light.

Unfold.

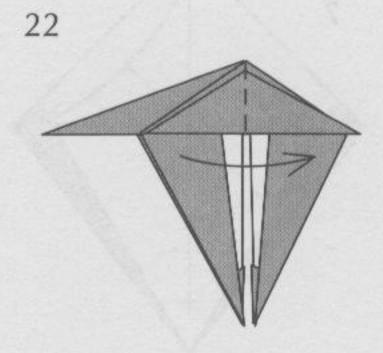




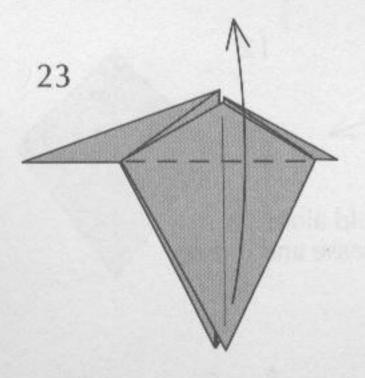




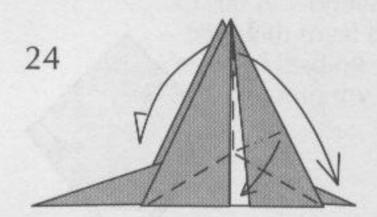
Rabbit-ear in front and behind.



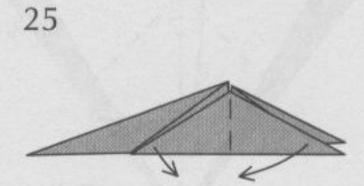
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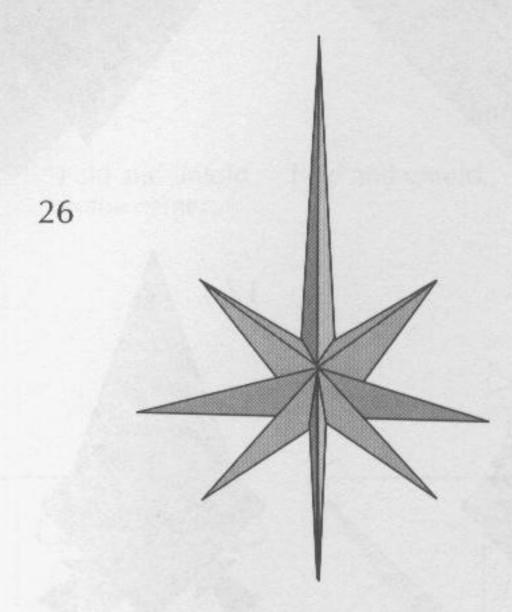
Repeat behind.



Rabbit-ear in front and behind.

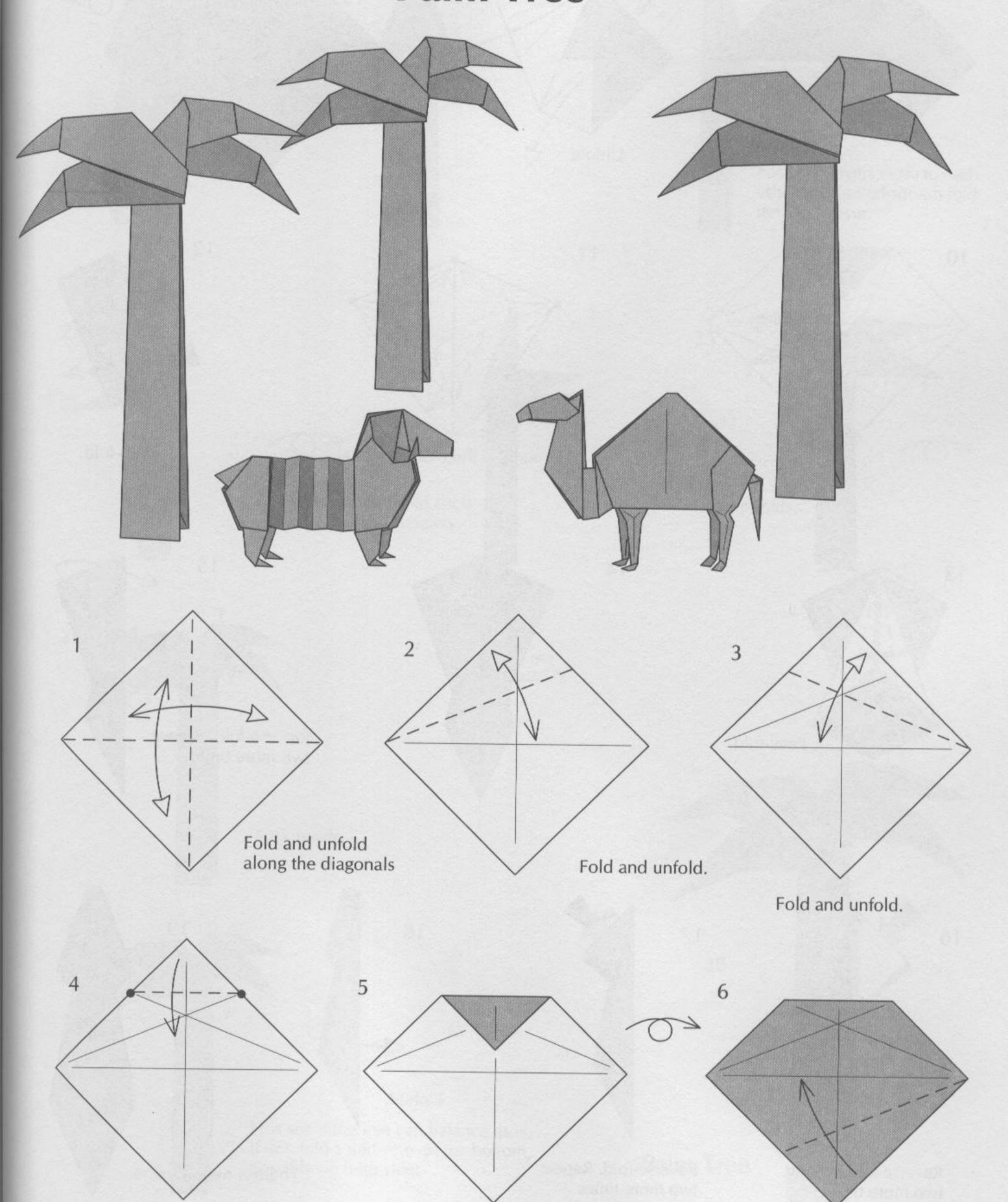


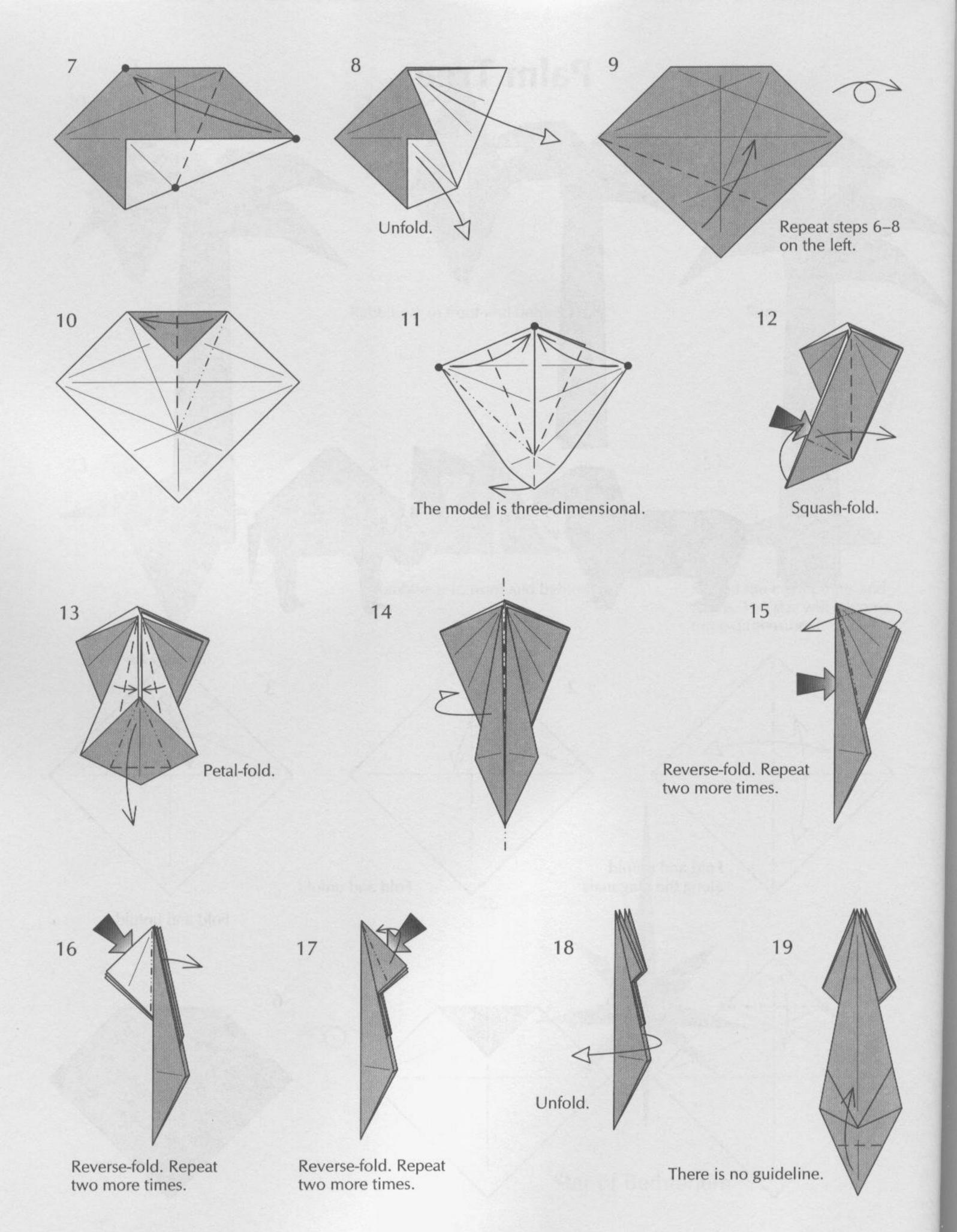
Spread the eight points and rotate. The star will become three-dimensional.

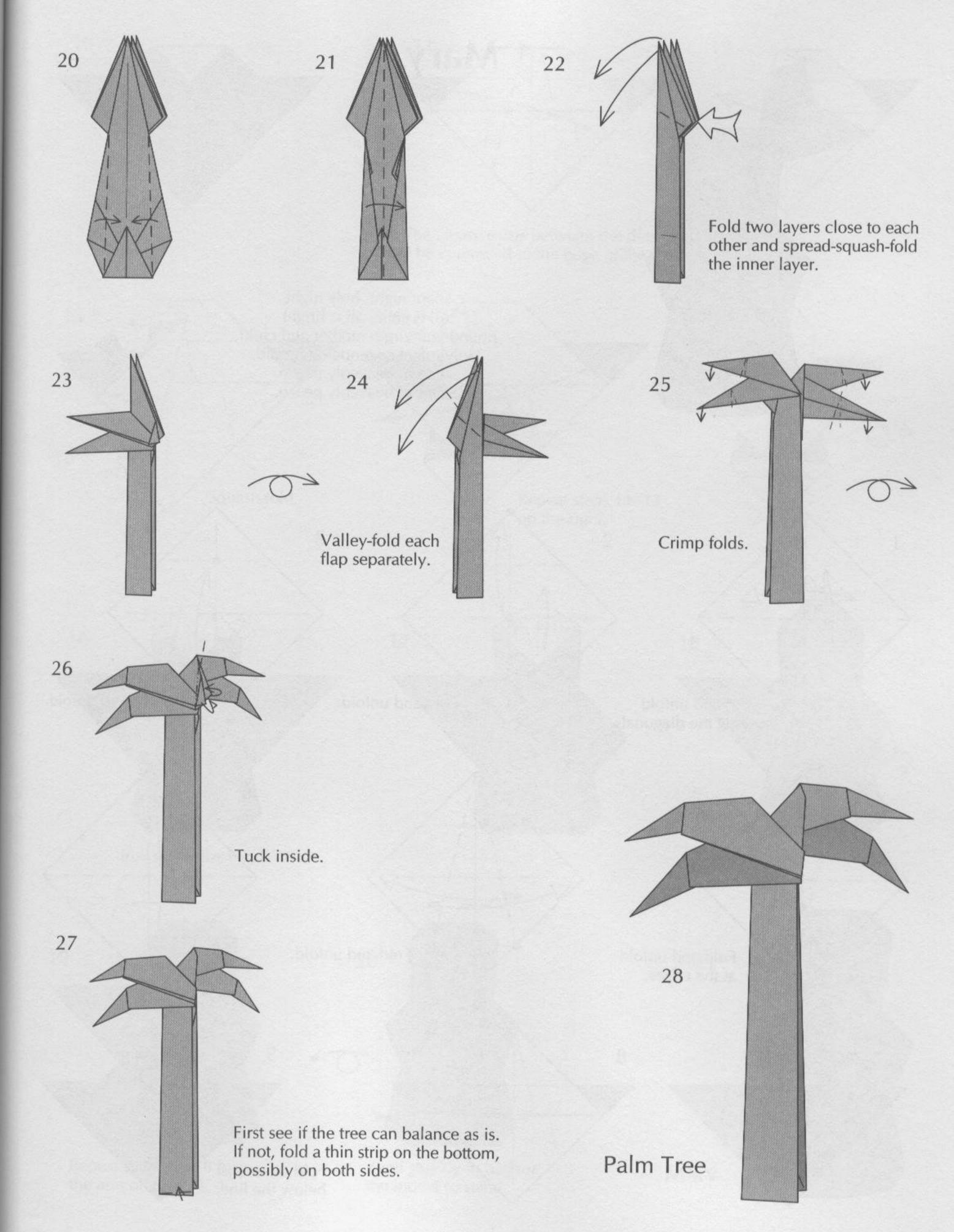


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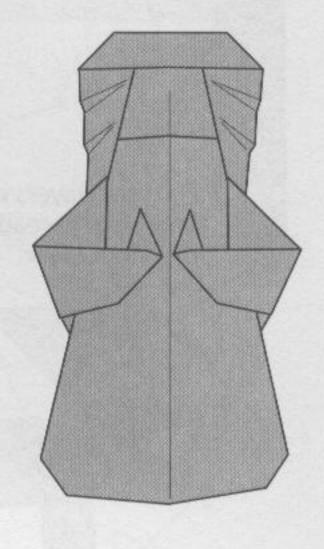
## Palm Tree



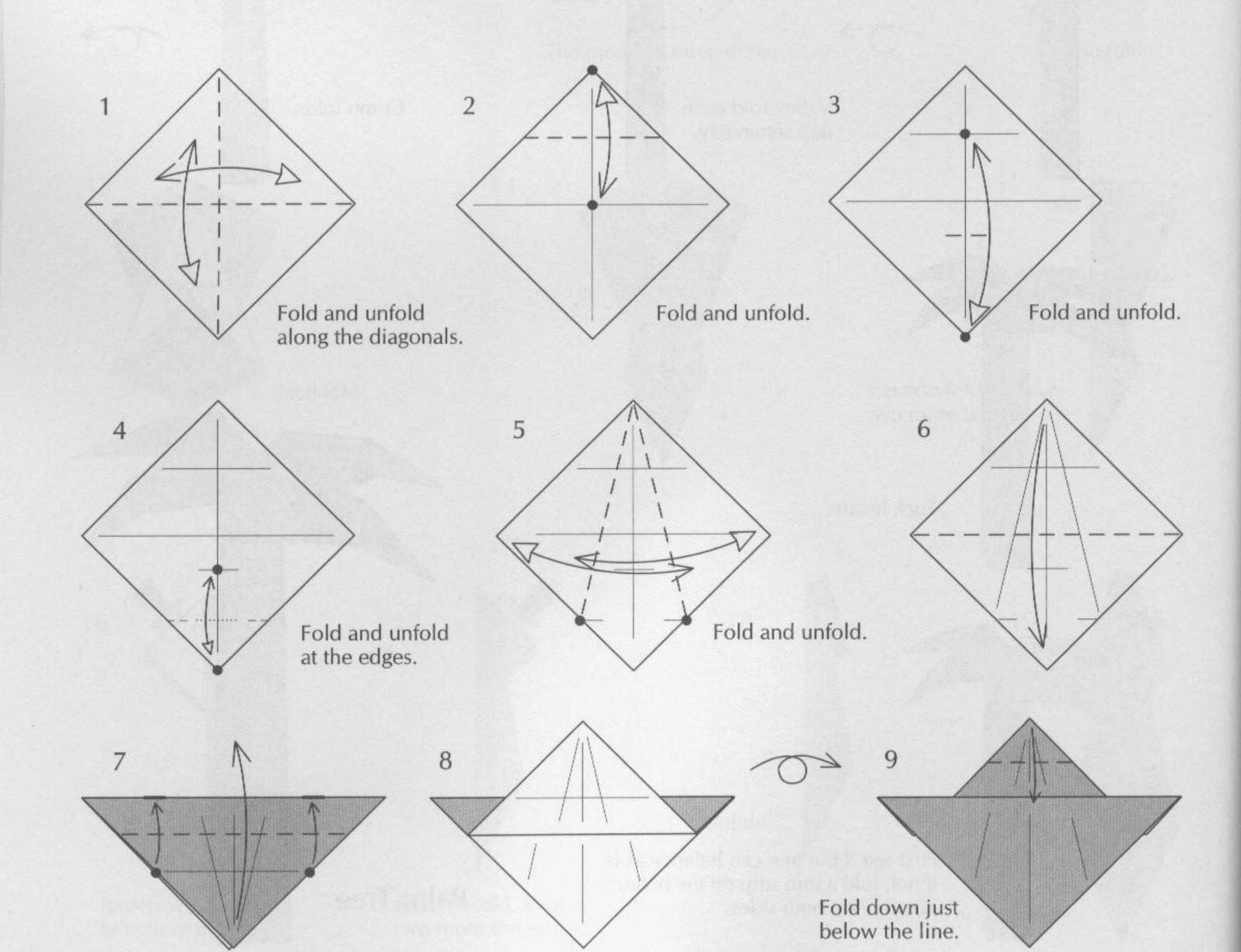


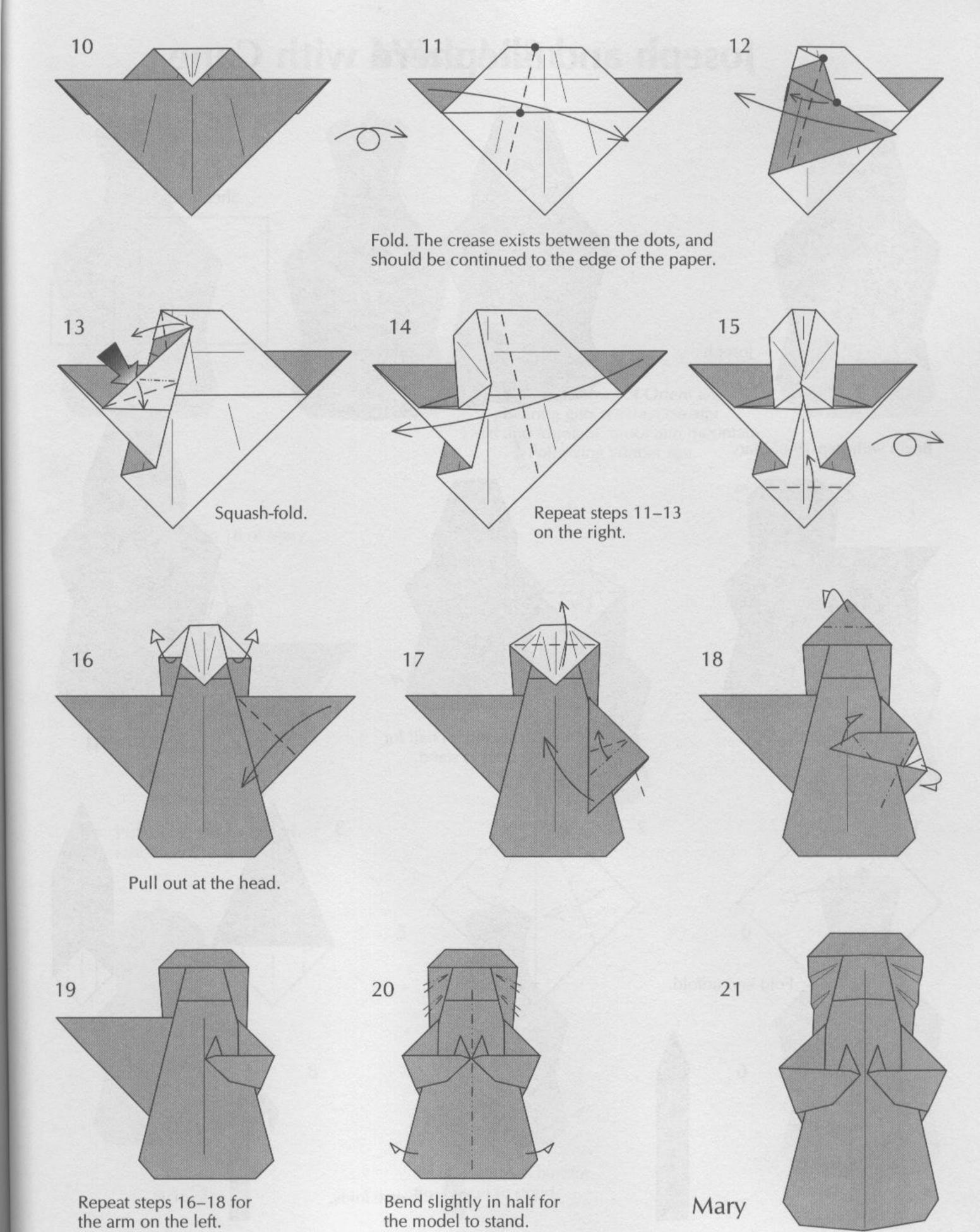


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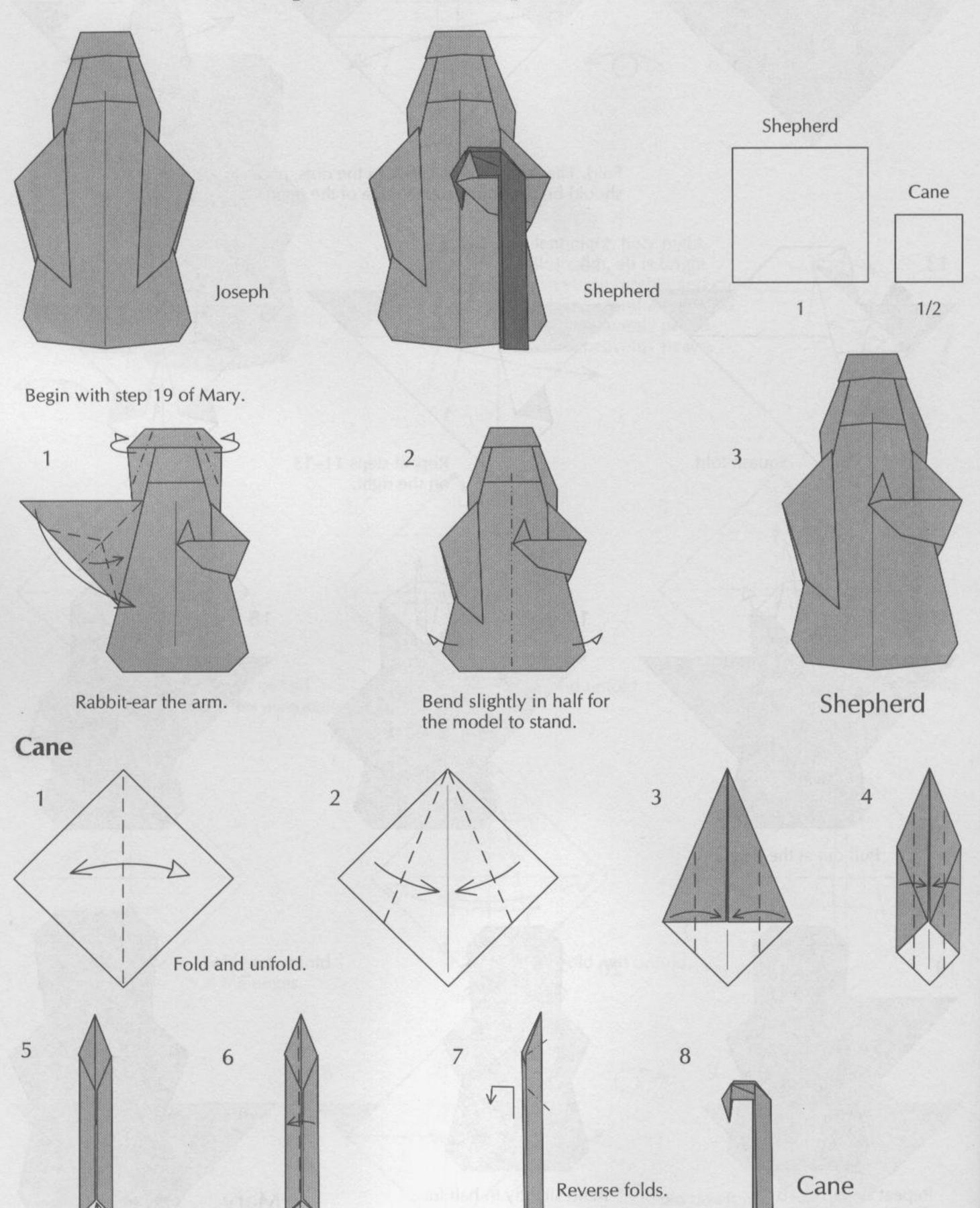


Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace.
Sleep in heavenly peace.

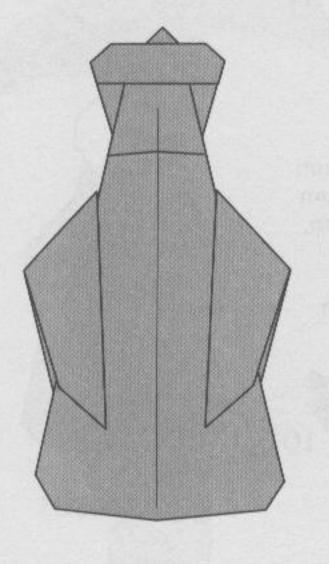


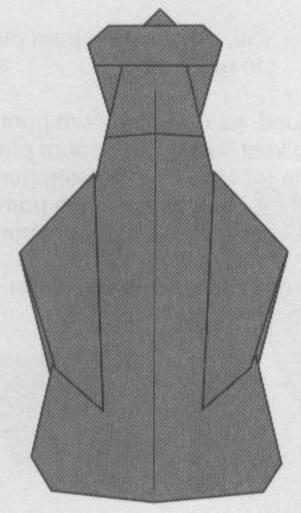


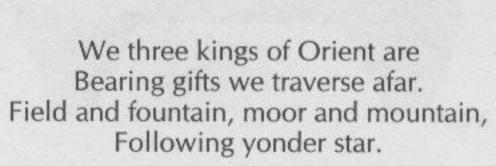
# Joseph and Shepherd with Cane

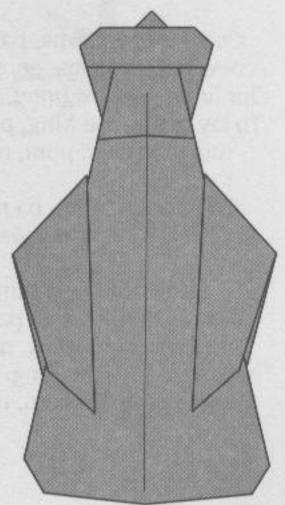


### Wise Man

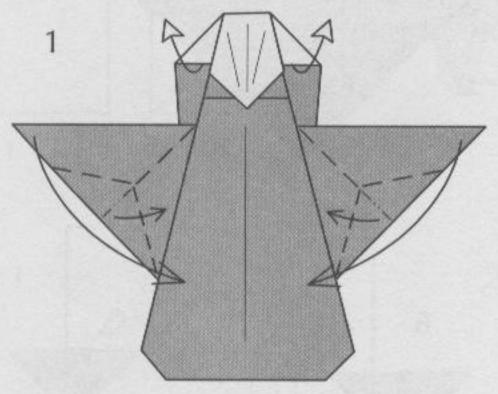




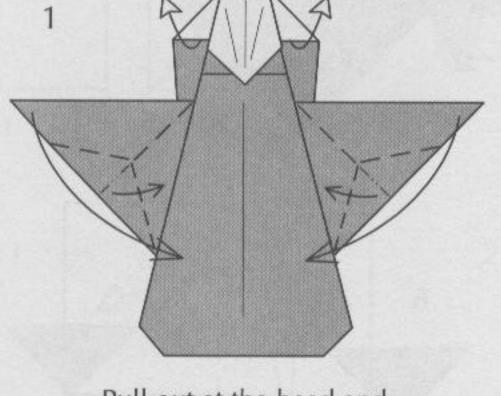


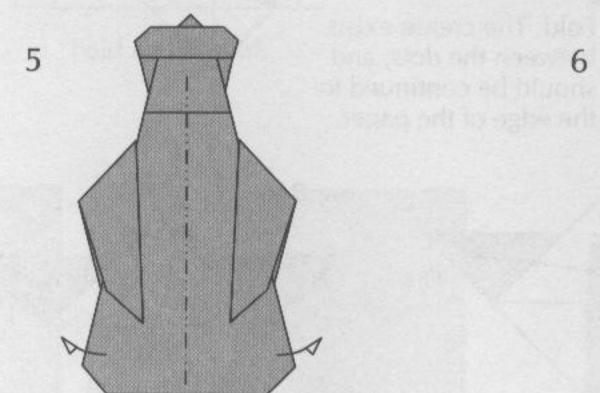


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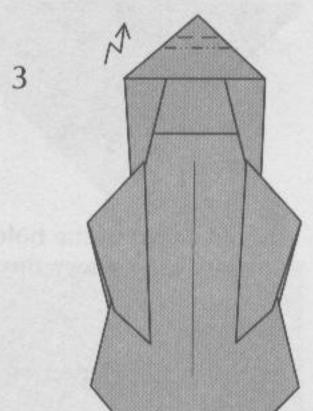


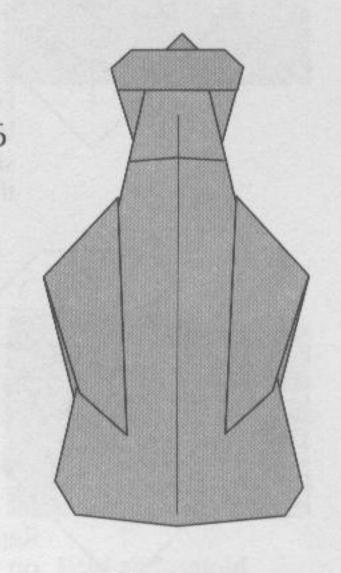
Pull out at the head and rabbit-ear the arms.



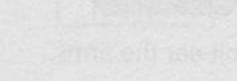


Bend slightly in half for the model to stand.





Wise Man



## **Baby Jesus**

Come they told me, pa rum pum pum pum
A new born King to see, pa rum pum pum pum
Our finest gifts we bring, pa rum pum pum pum
To lay before the King, pa rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum,

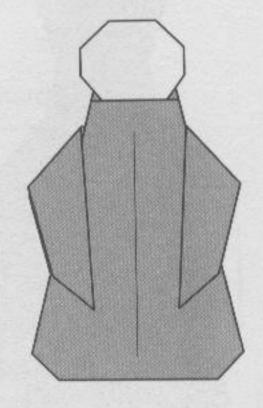
So to honor Him, pa rum pum pum pum, When we come.

Little Baby, pa rum pum pum pum
I am a poor boy too, pa rum pum pum pum
I have no gift to bring, pa rum pum pum pum
That's fit to give the King, pa rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum,

Shall I play for you, pa rum pum pum pum, On my drum?

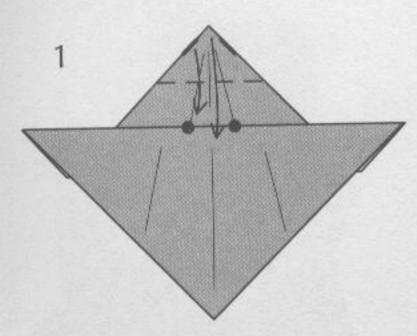
Mary nodded, pa rum pum pum pum
The ox and lamb kept time, pa rum pum pum pum
I played my drum for Him, pa rum pum pum pum
I played my best for Him, pa rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum,

Then He smiled at me, pa rum pum pum Me and my drum.

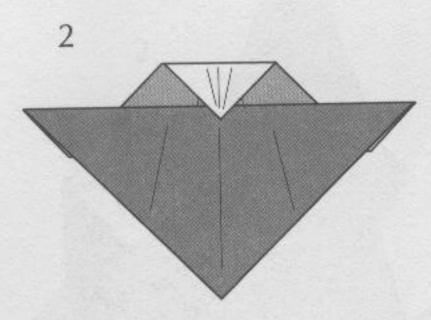


Baby Jesus

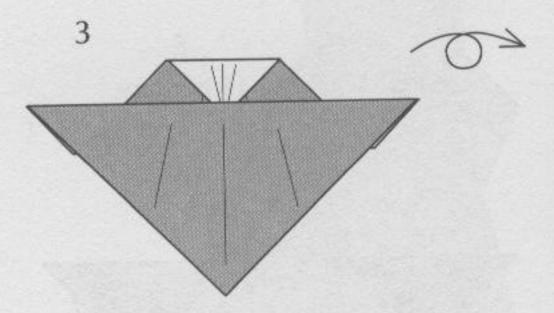
Begin with step 9 of Mary.



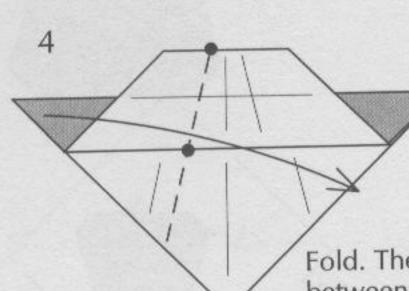
Fold down so the bold edge is just above the dot.



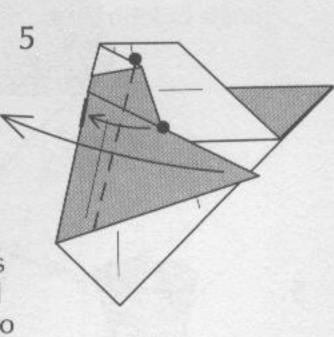
Bring the dark paper to the front.



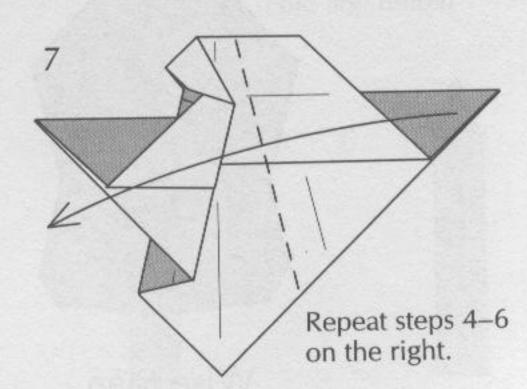
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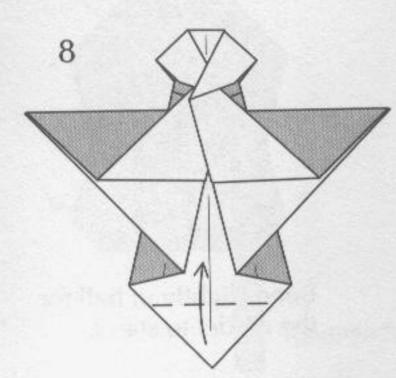


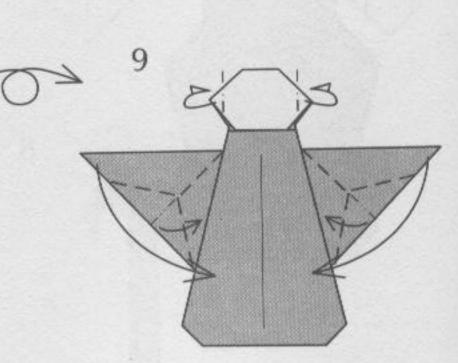
Fold. The crease exists between the dots, and should be continued to the edge of the paper.



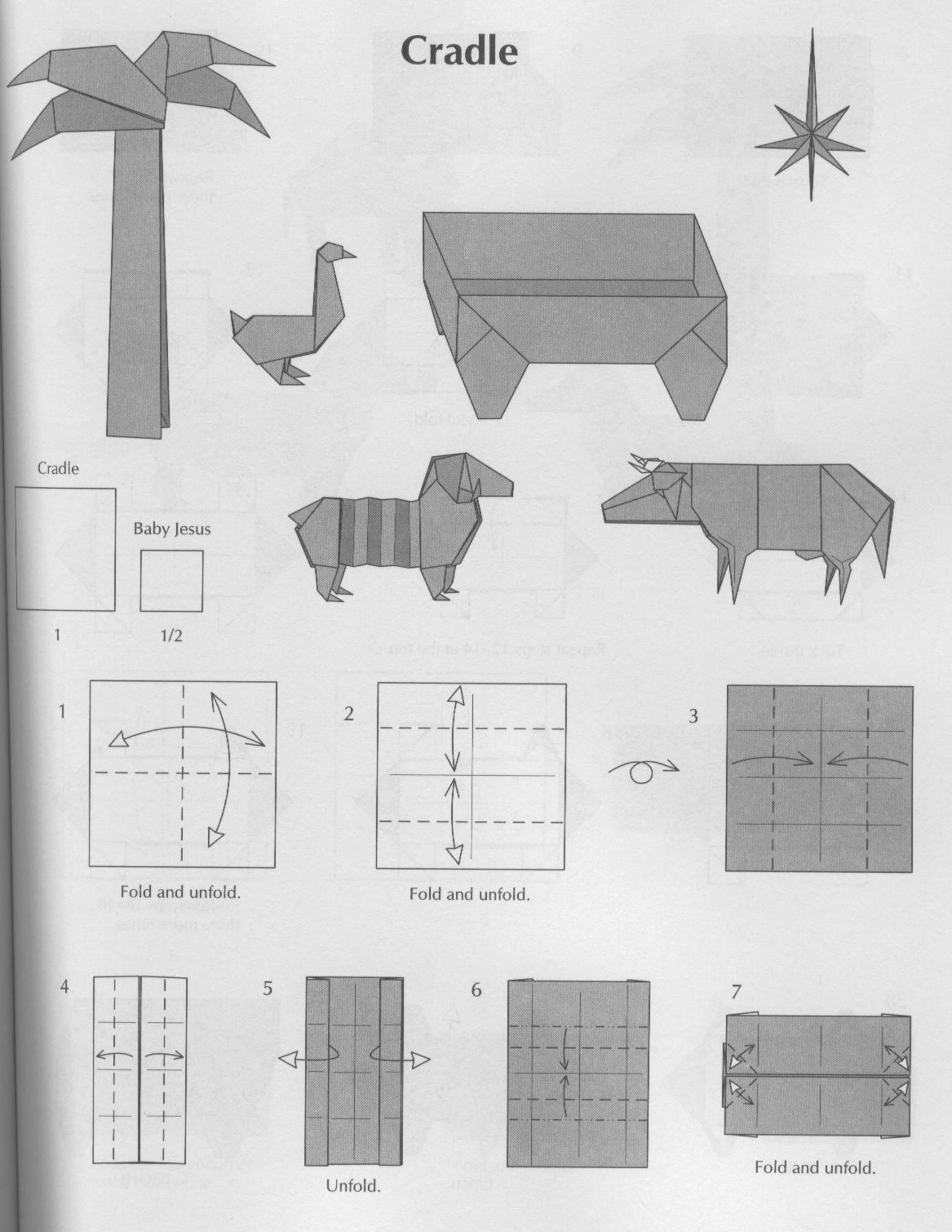
Open.

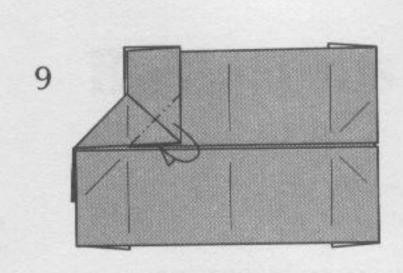


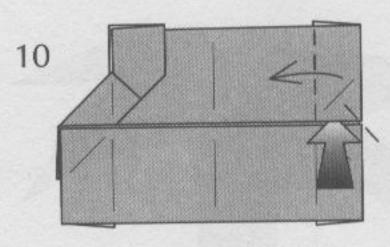




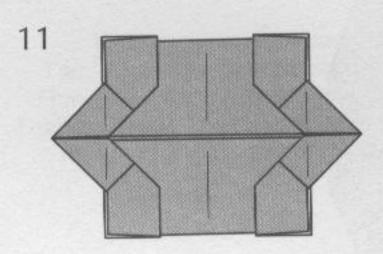
Rabbit-ear the arms.

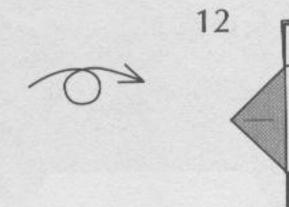


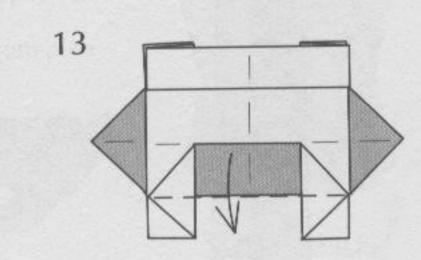




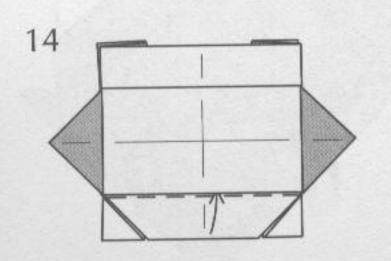
Repeat steps 7–9 three more times.

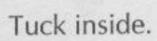


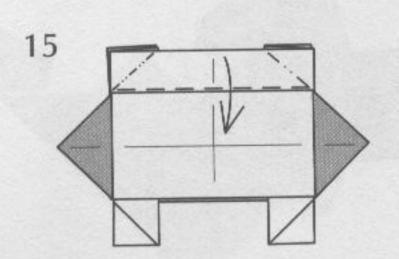




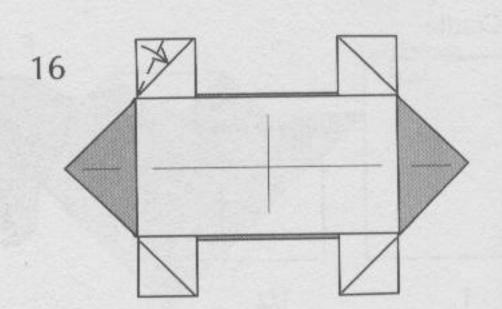


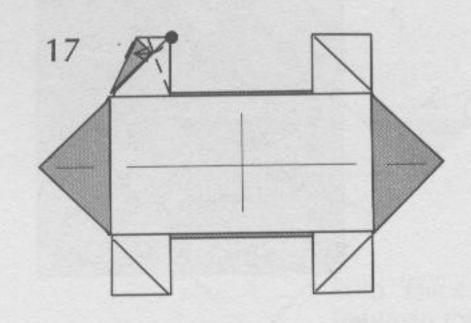


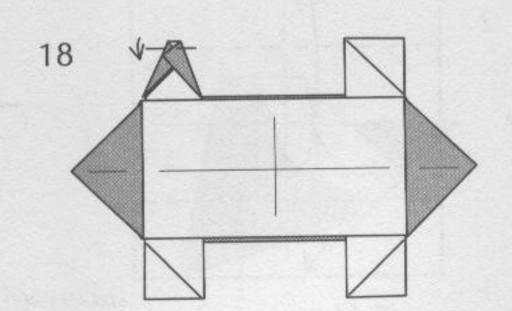


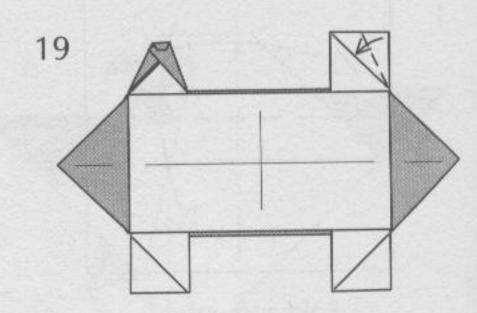


Repeat steps 12-14 at the top.

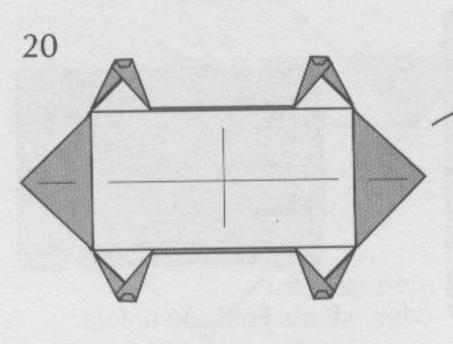


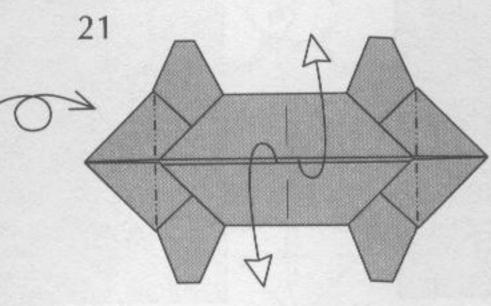




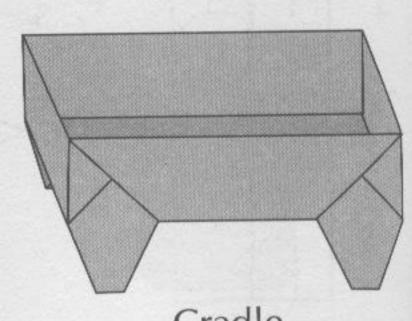


Repeat steps 16–18 three more times.

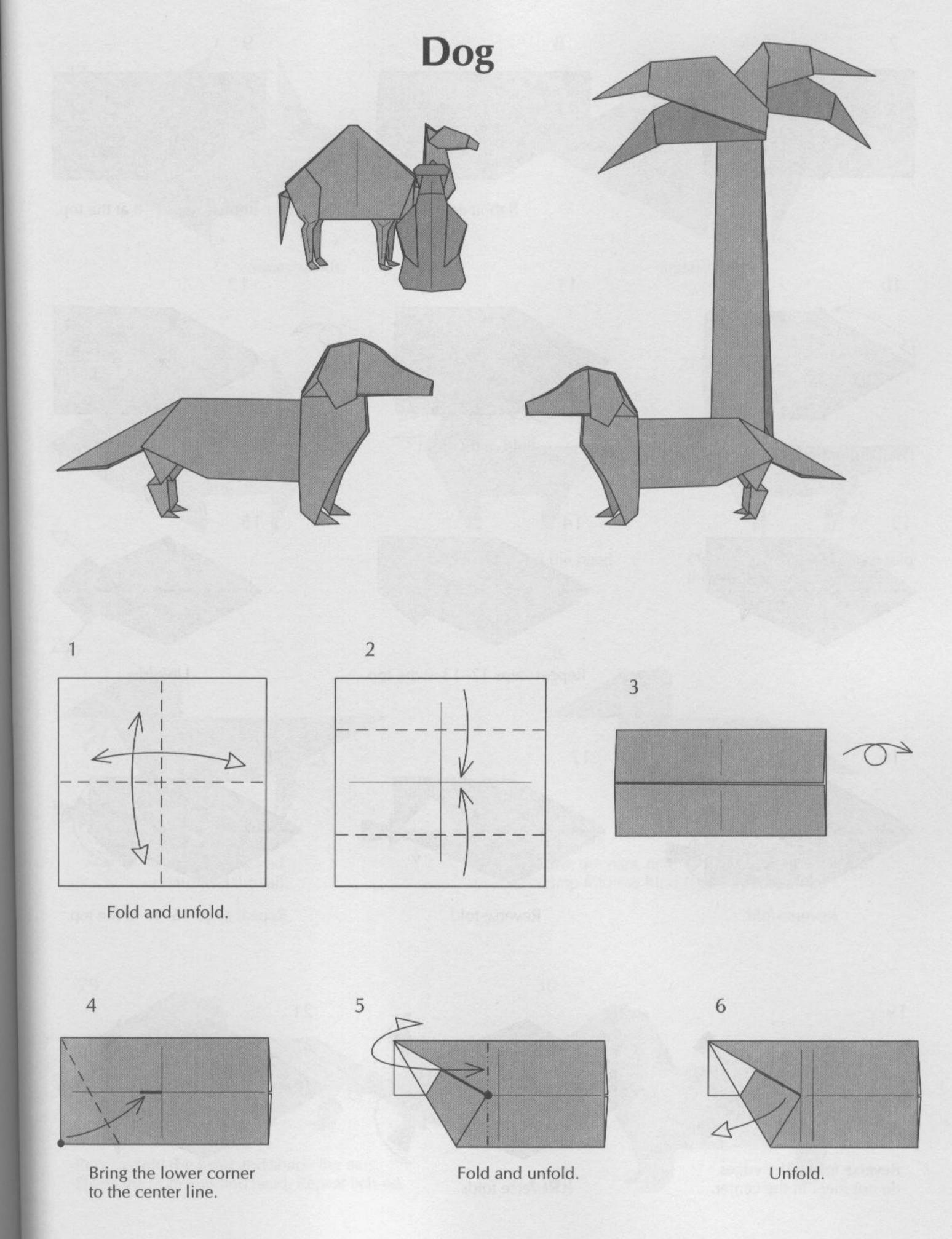


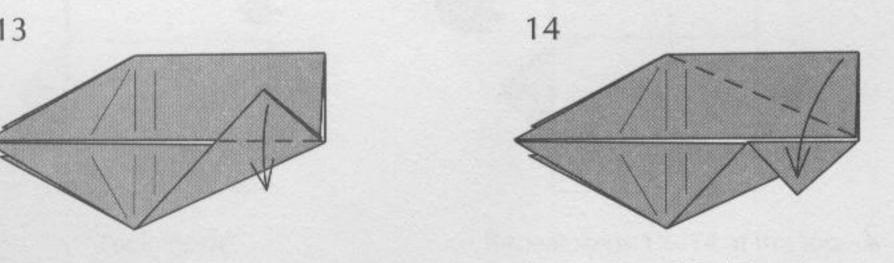


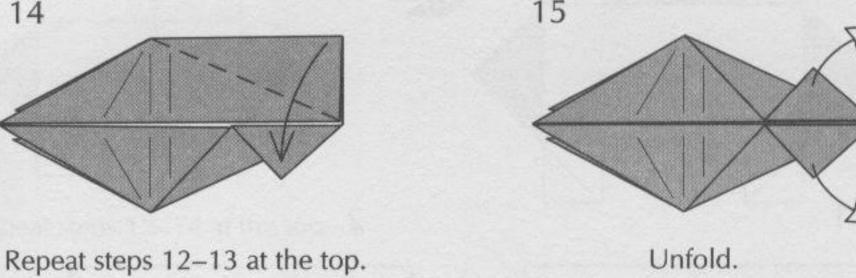
Open.

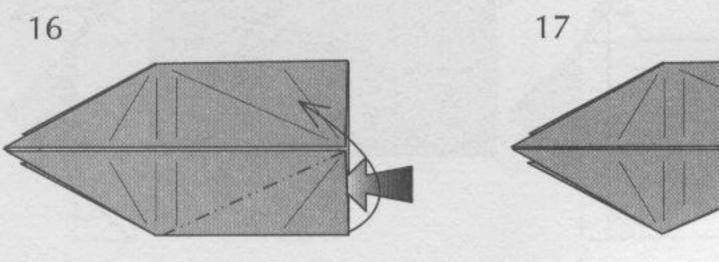


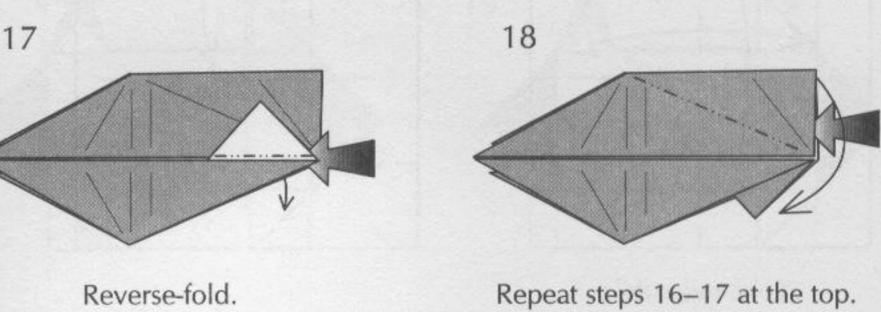
Cradle

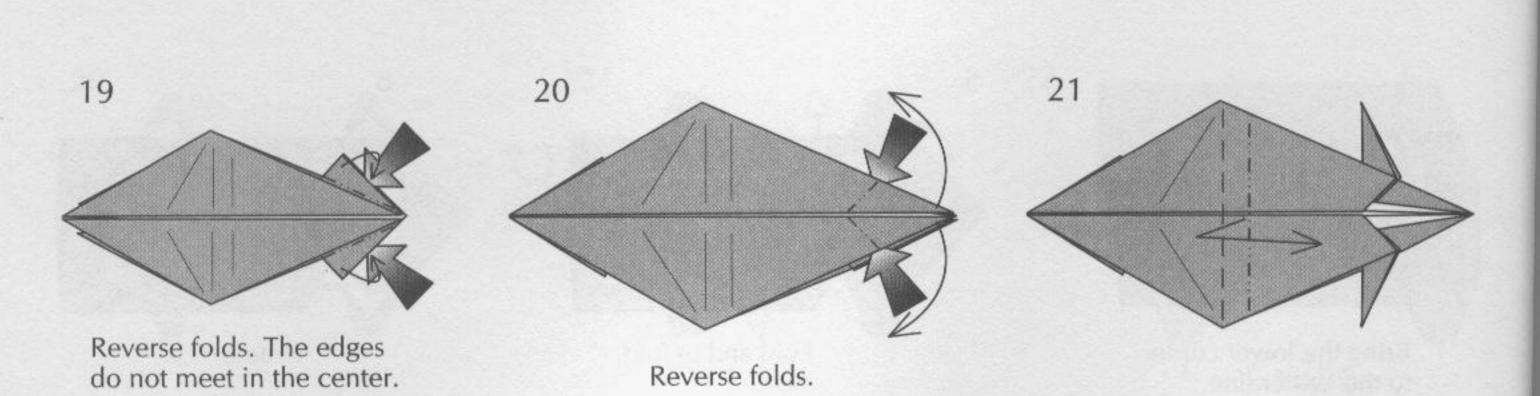




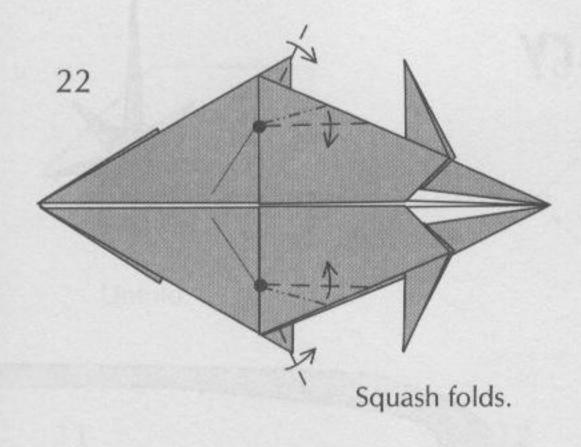


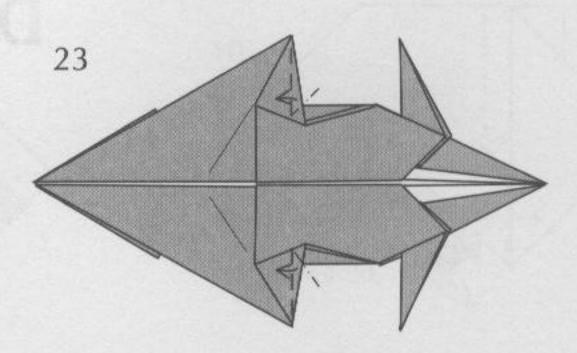




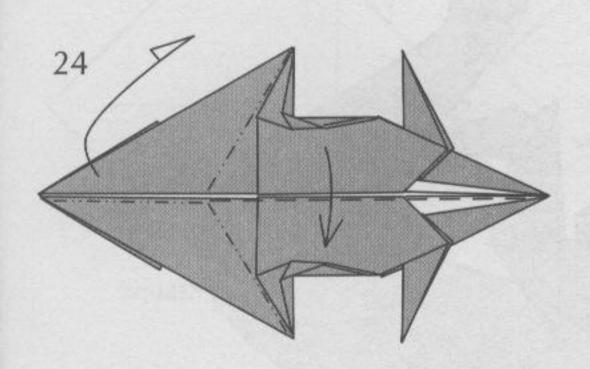


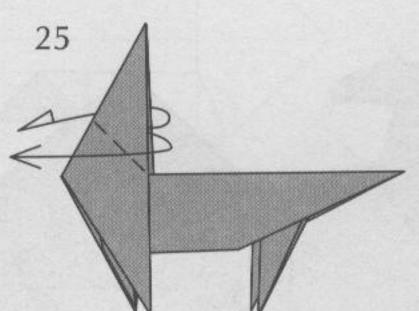
Reverse-fold.

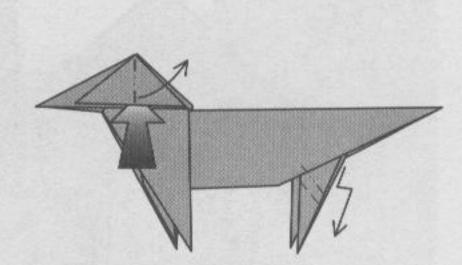




Squash folds.

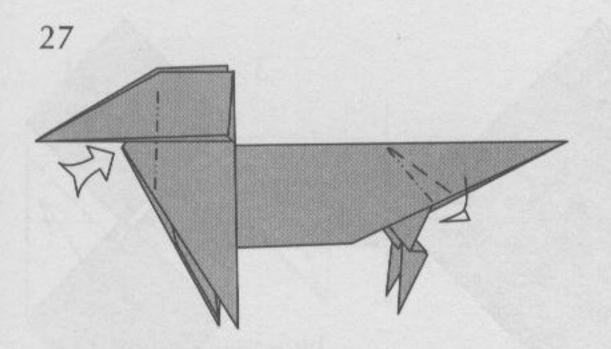


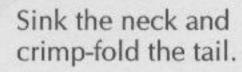


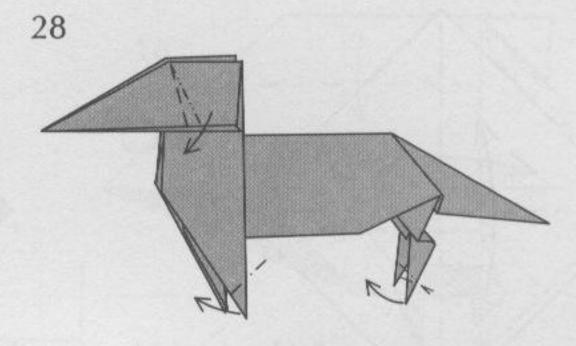


Outside-reverse-fold the head.

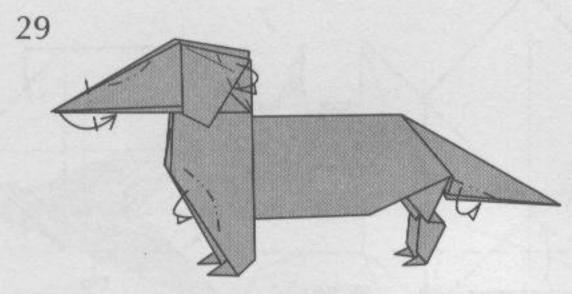
Open at the ear and crimp-fold the leg. Repeat behind.



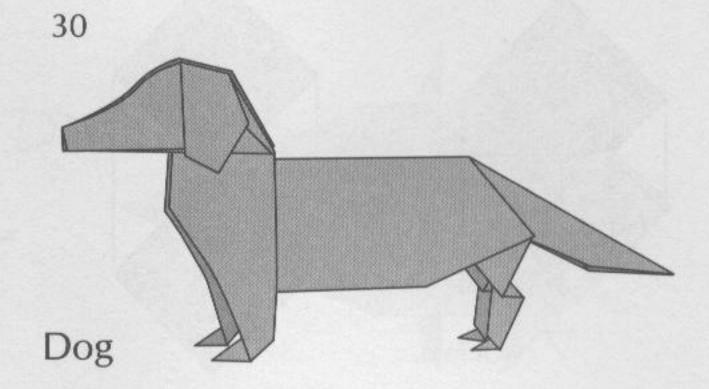




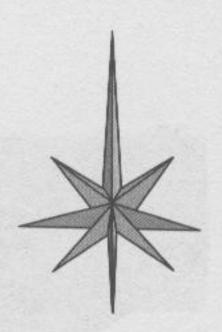
Form the ears, reverse-fold the front legs, and crimp-fold the hind legs. Repeat behind.

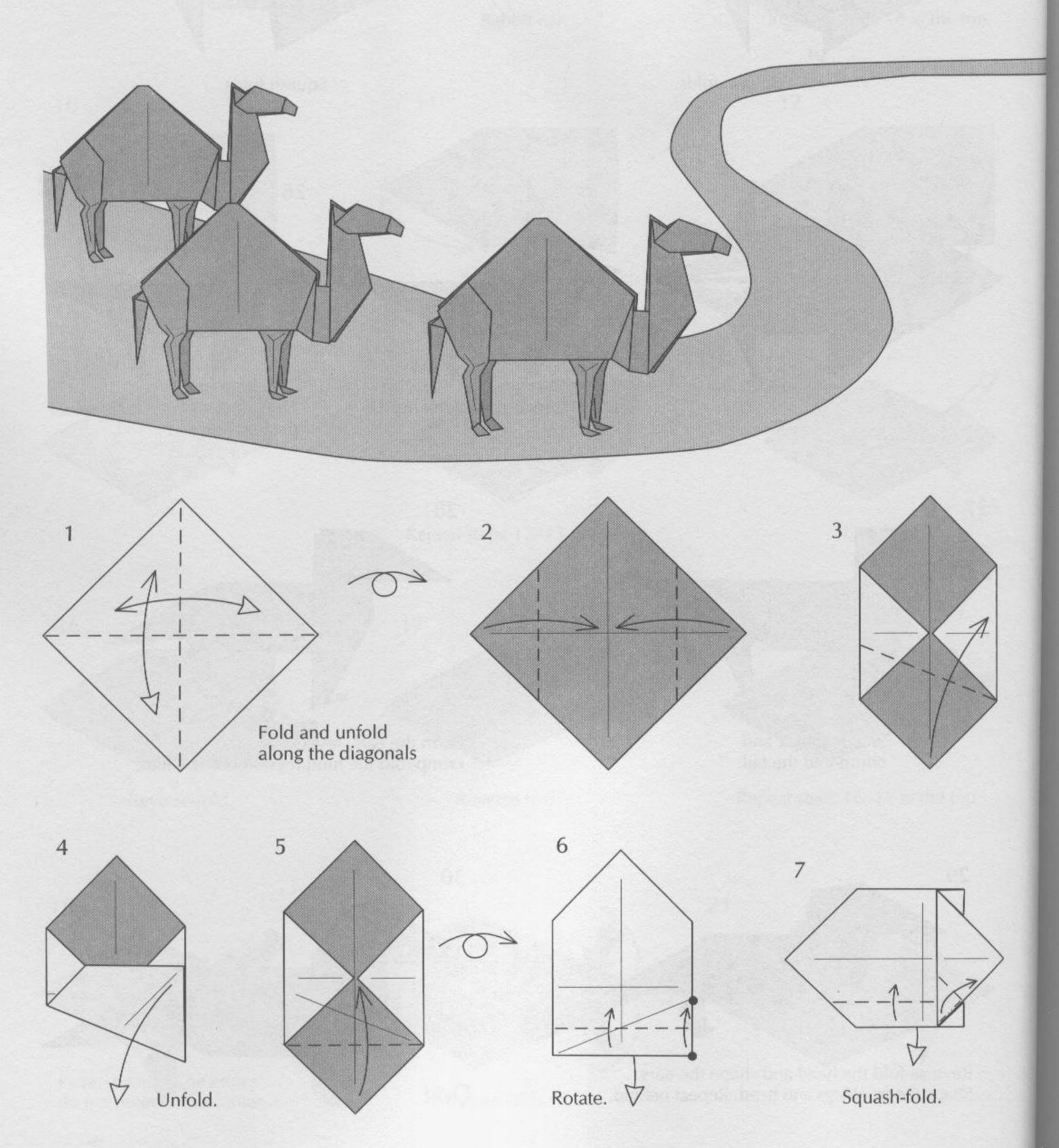


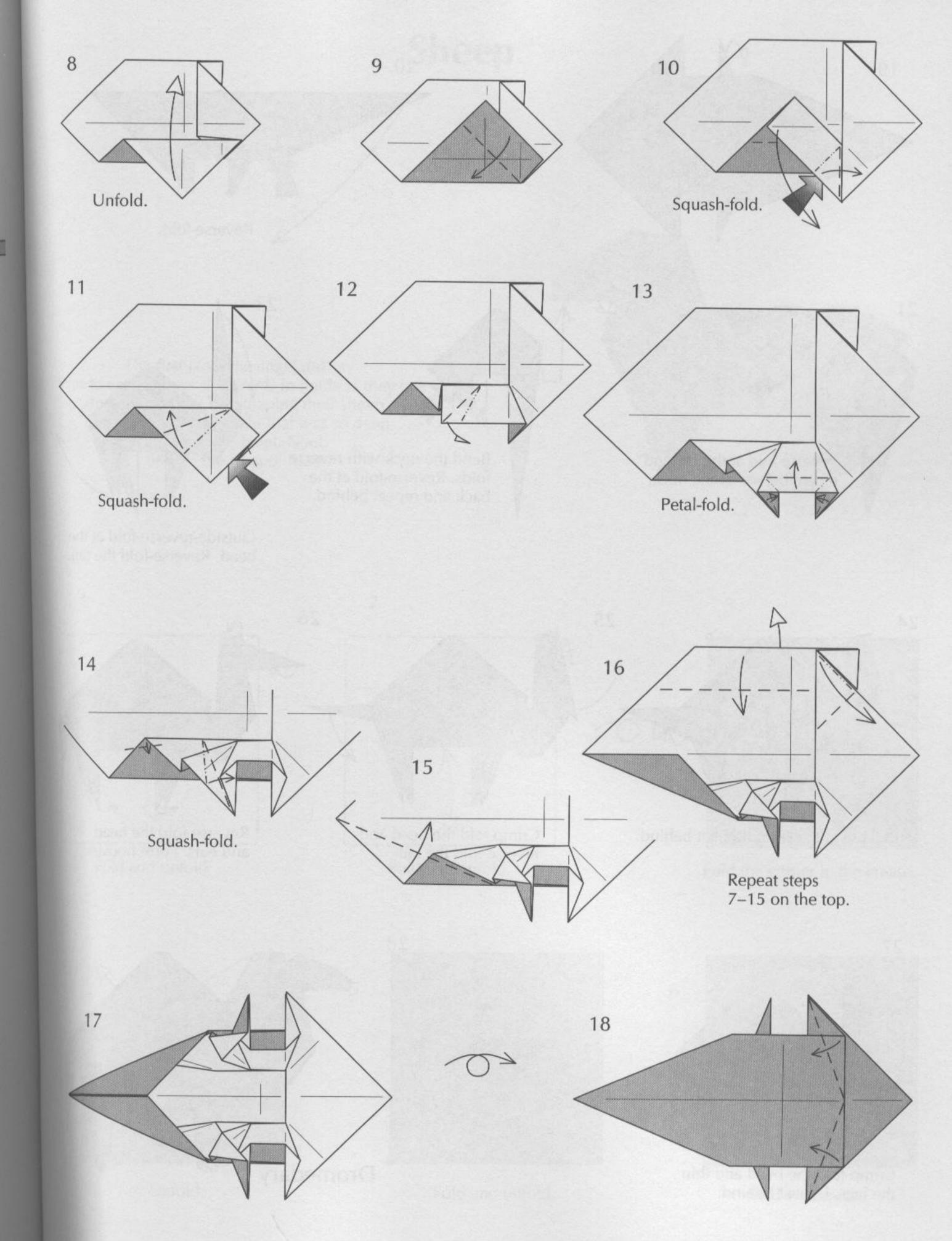
Reverse-fold the head and shape the ears. Shape the front legs and head. Repeat behind.

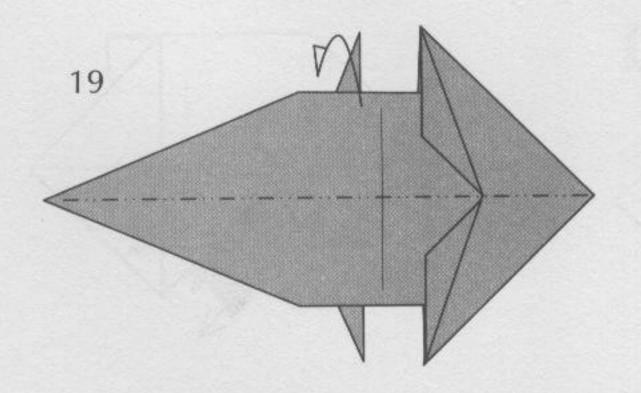


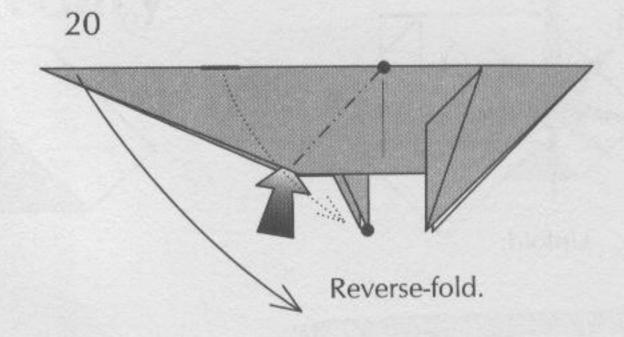
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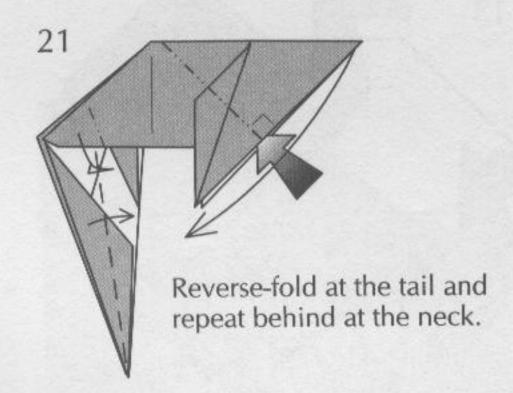


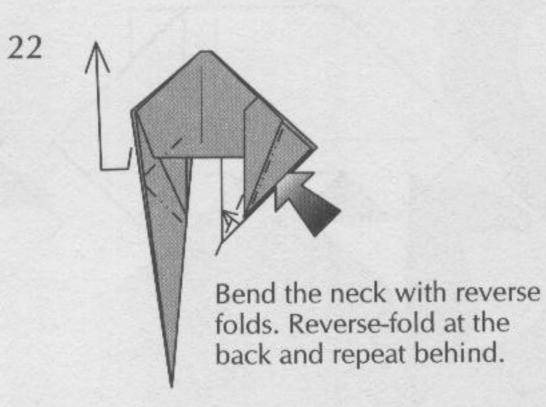


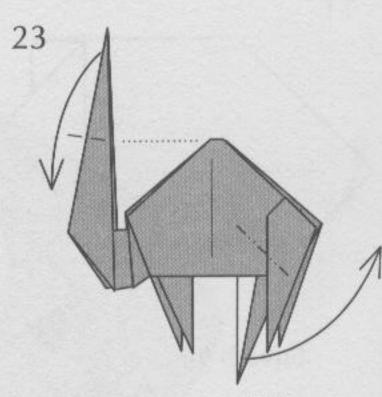




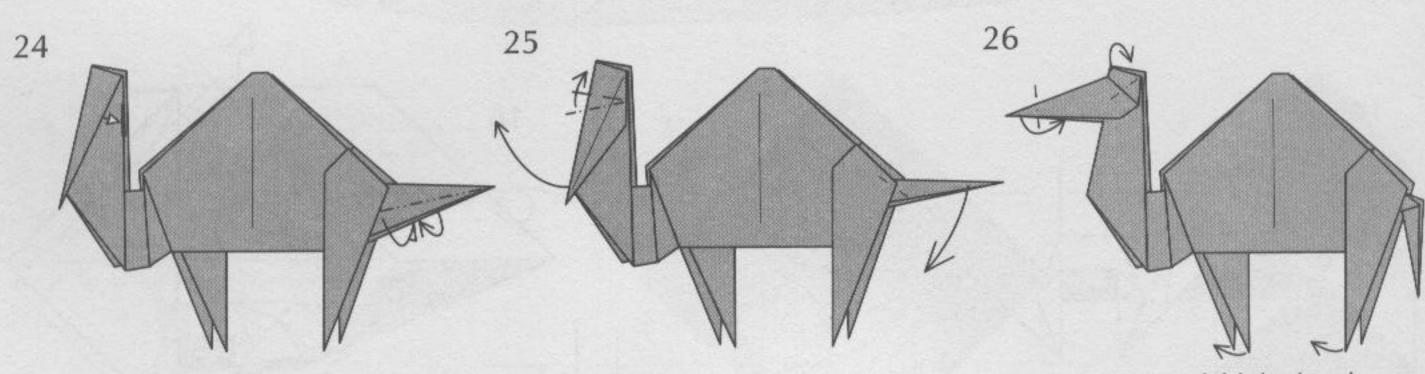








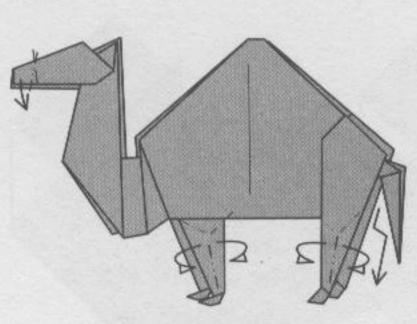
Outside-reverse-fold at the head. Reverse-fold the tail.



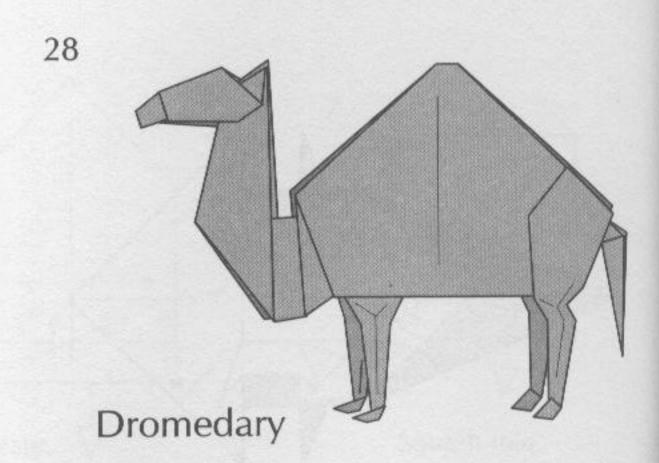
Pull out at the head. Repeat behind.

Crimp-fold the head and reverse-fold the tail.

Reverse-fold the head and ears. Form hooves.

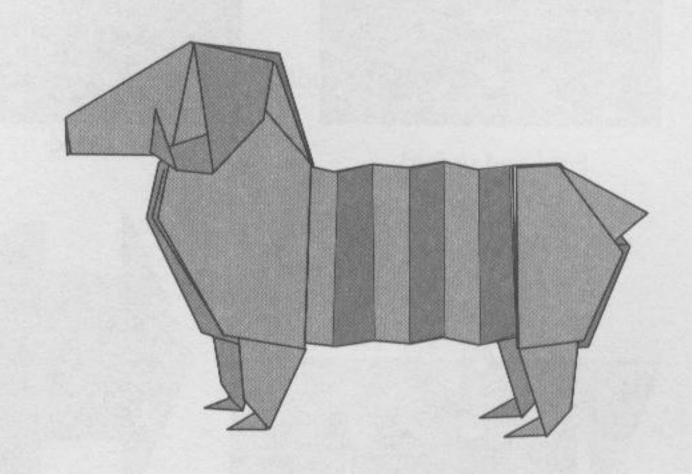


Crimp-fold the head and thin the legs. Repeat behind.



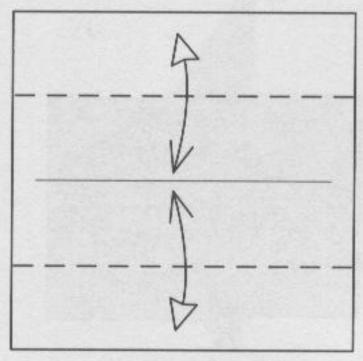
# Sheep

The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel.



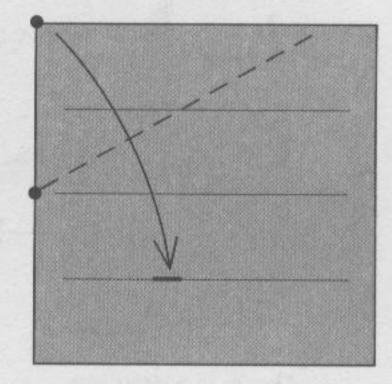
Fold and unfold.

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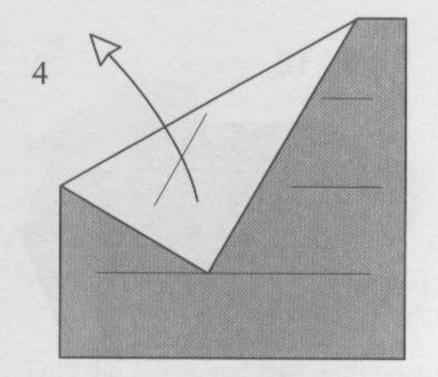


Fold and unfold.

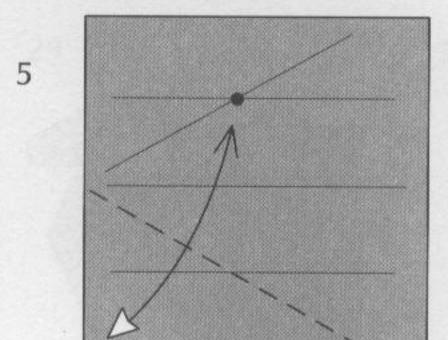
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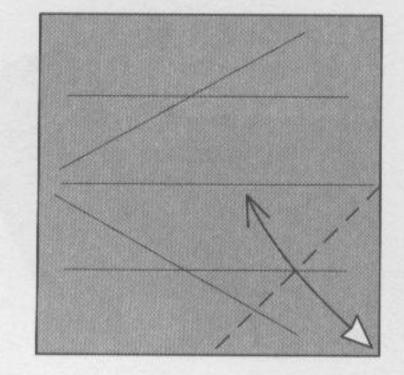
Fold the corner to the crease.



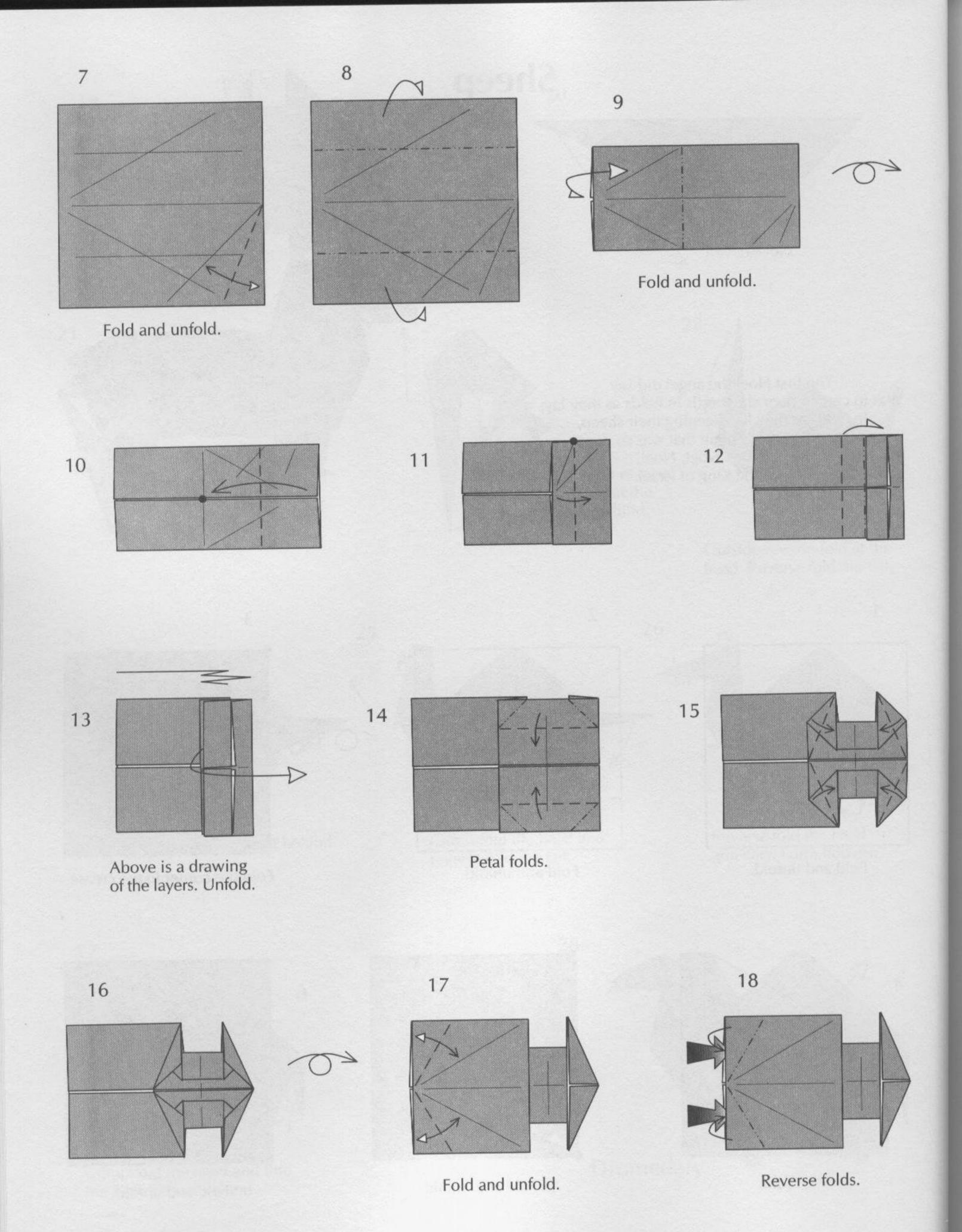
Unfold.

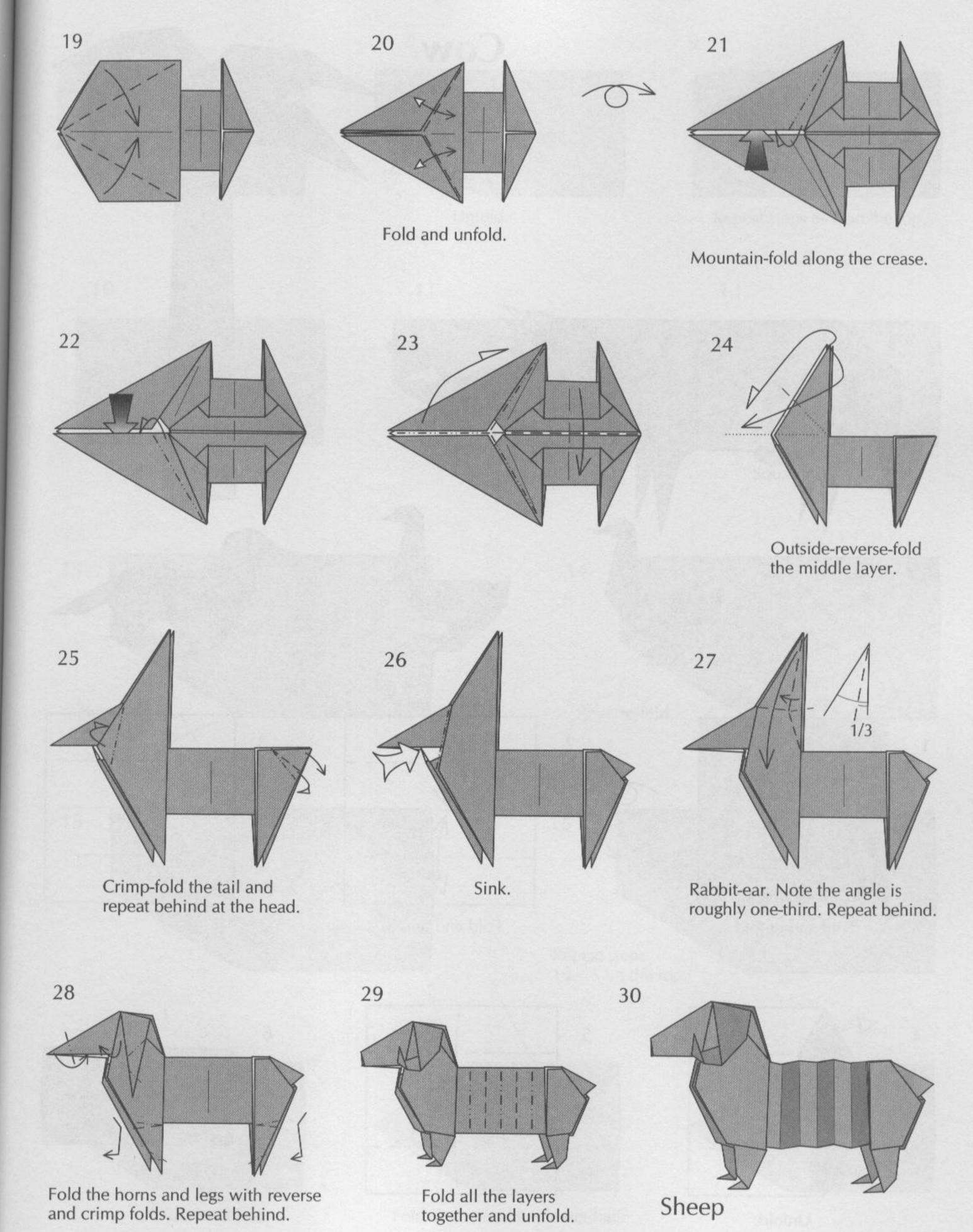


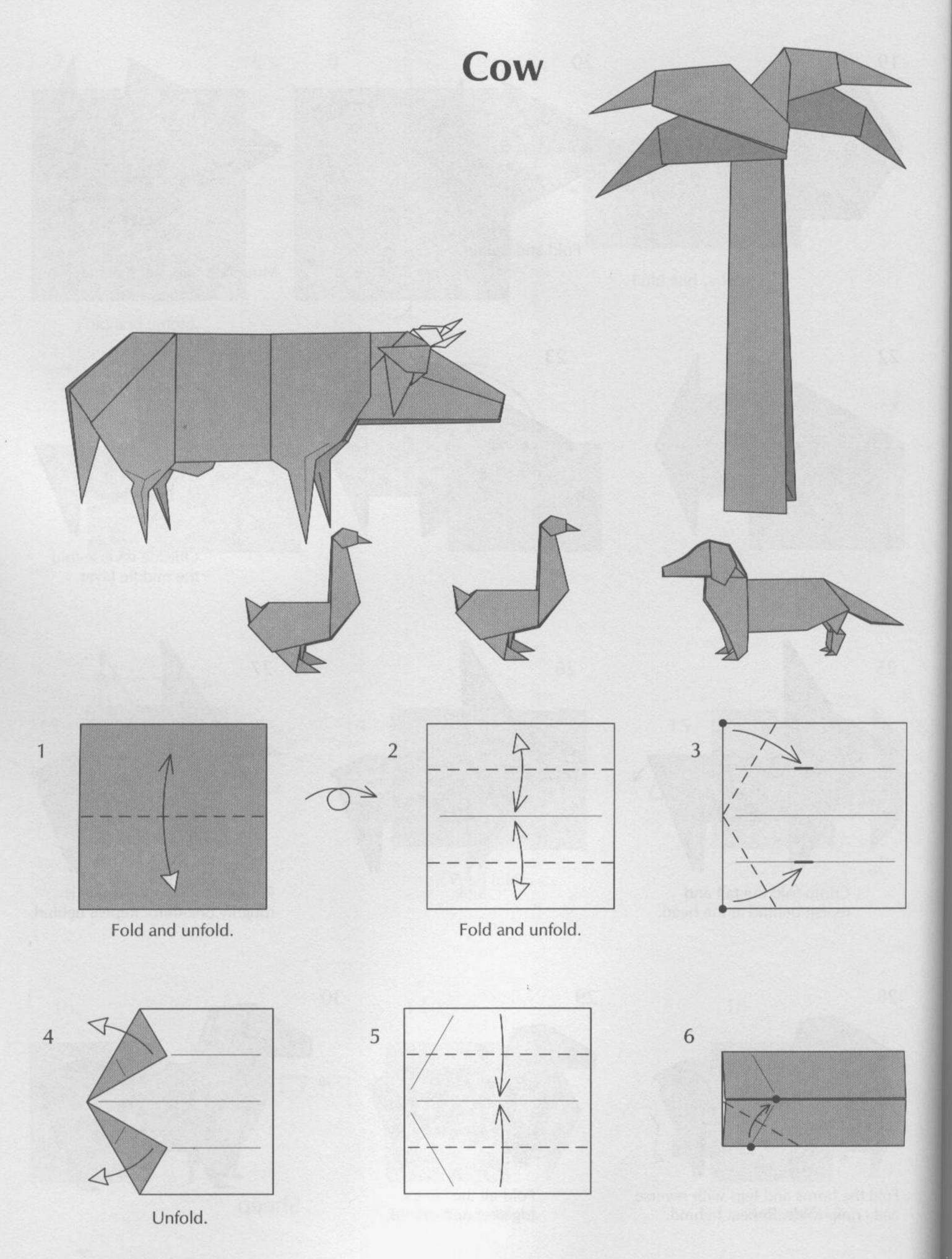
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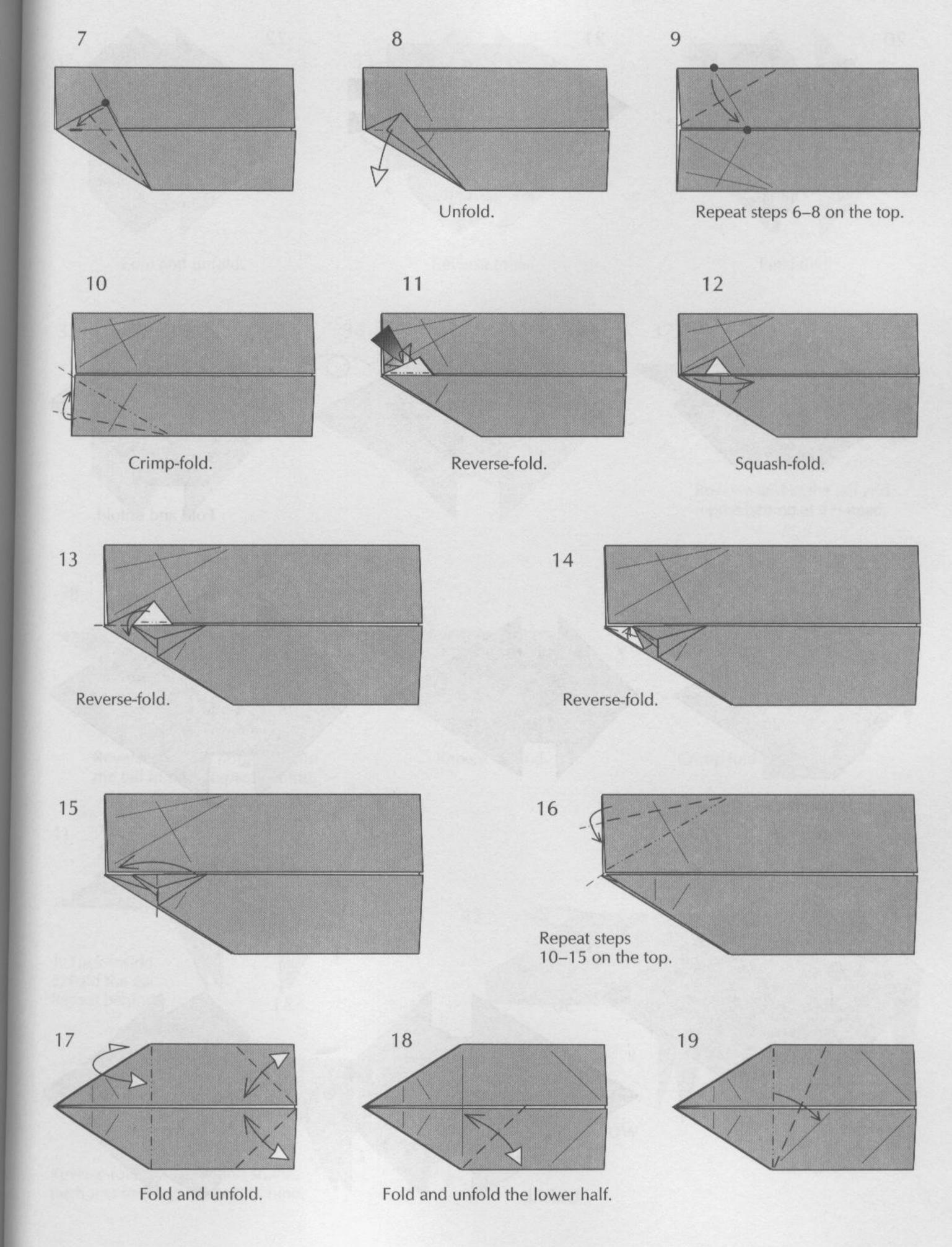


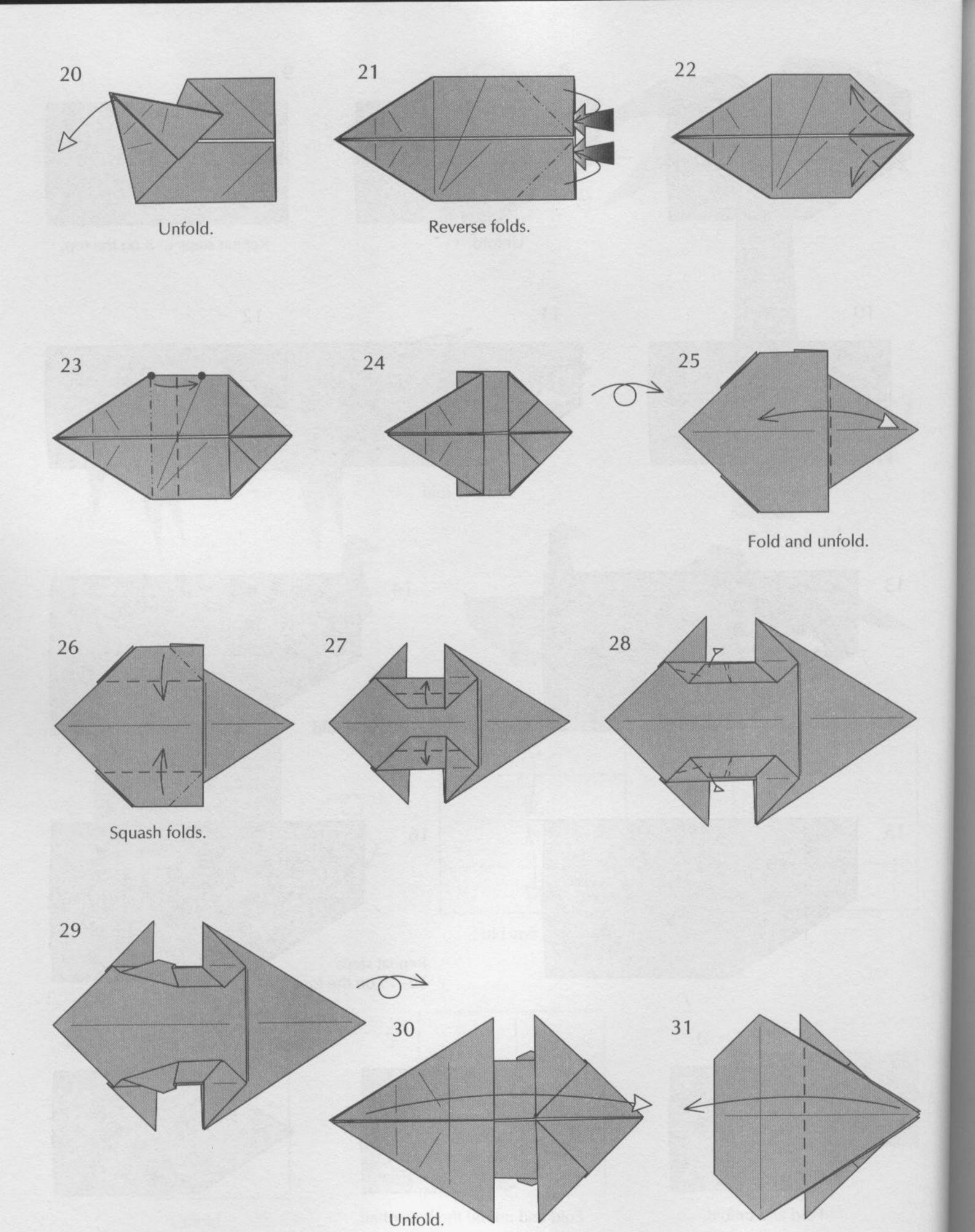
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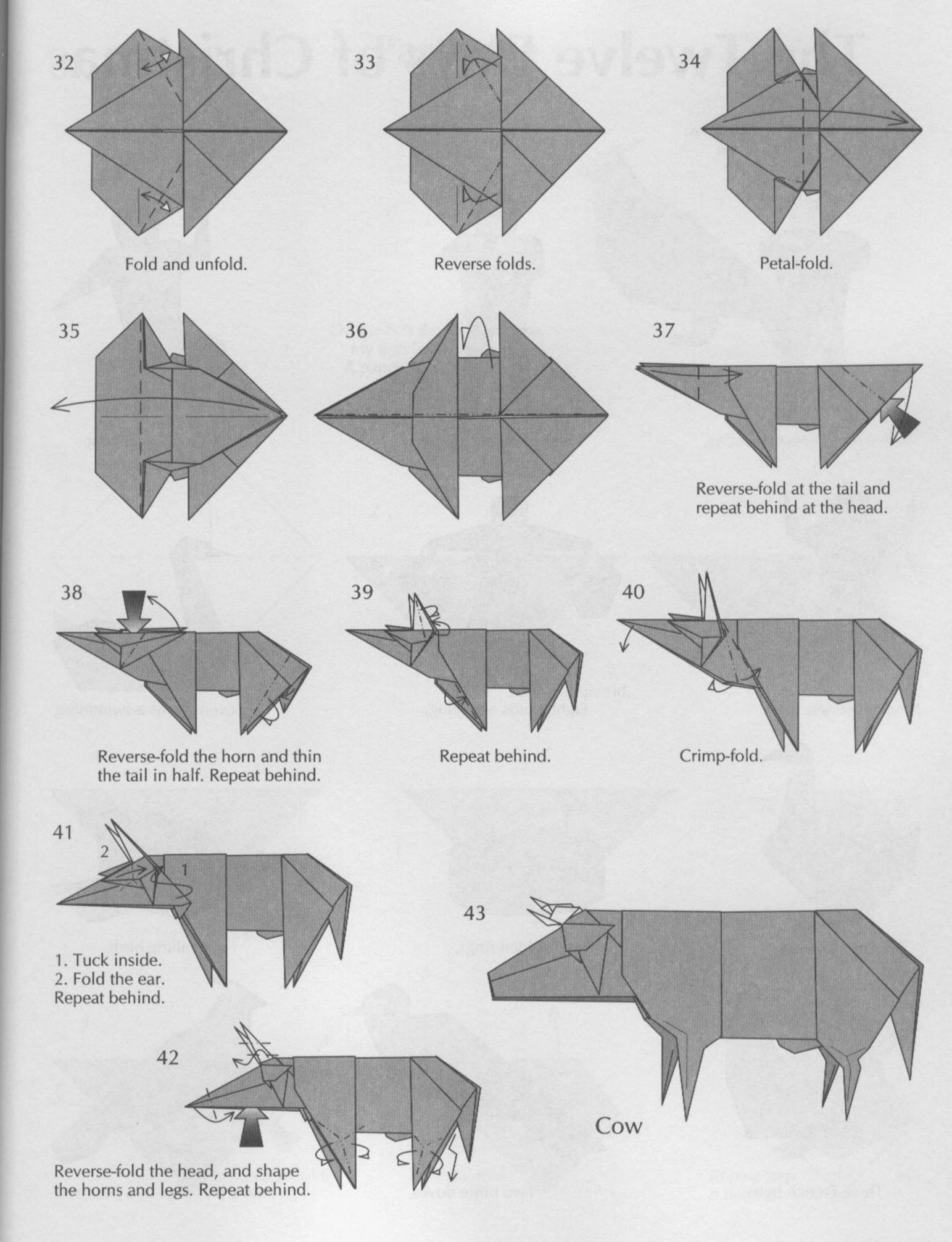






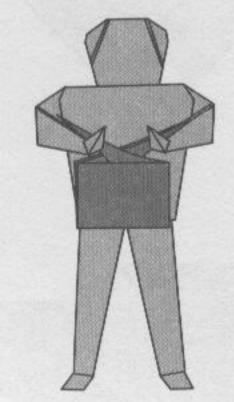




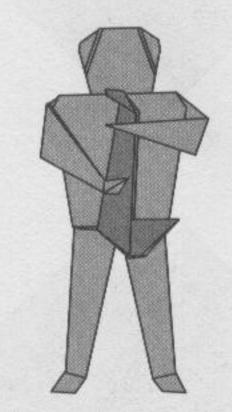


# The Twelve Days of Christmas

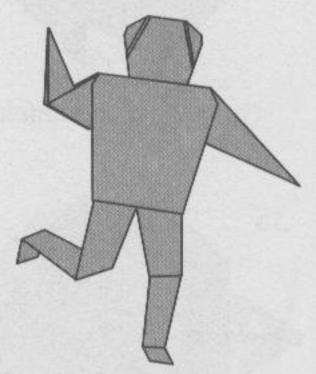
On the twelfth day of Christmas, my true love sent to me



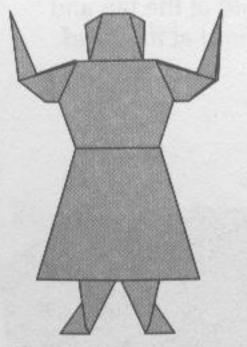
Twelve drummers drumming,



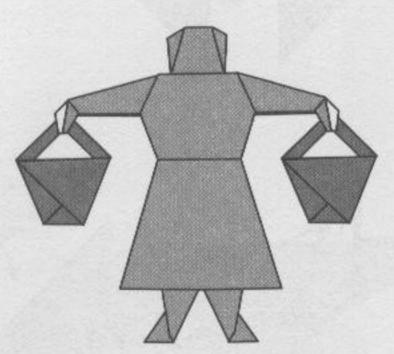
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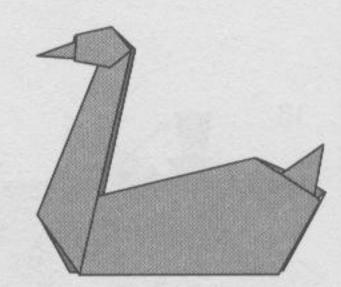
Ten lords a-leaping,



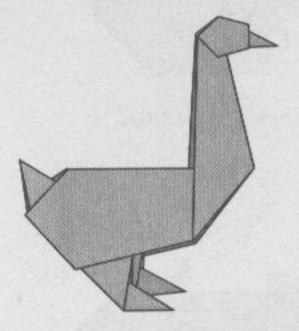
Nine ladies dancing,



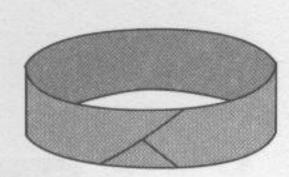
Eight maids a-milking,



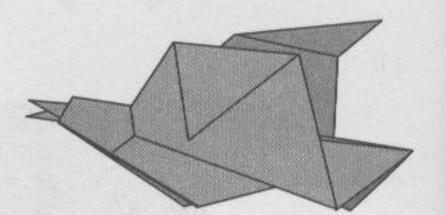
Seven swans a-swimming,



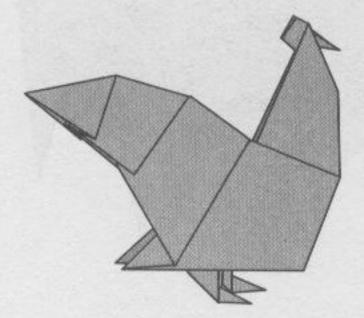
Six geese a-laying,



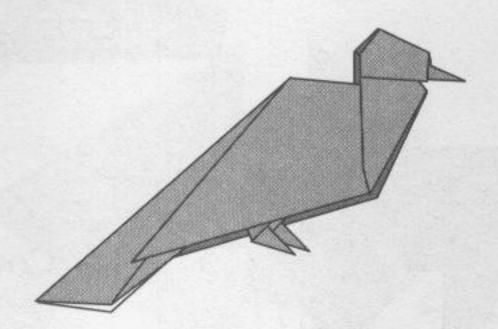
Five golden rings,



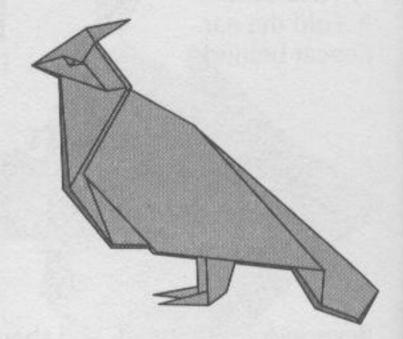
Four calling birds,



Three French hens,

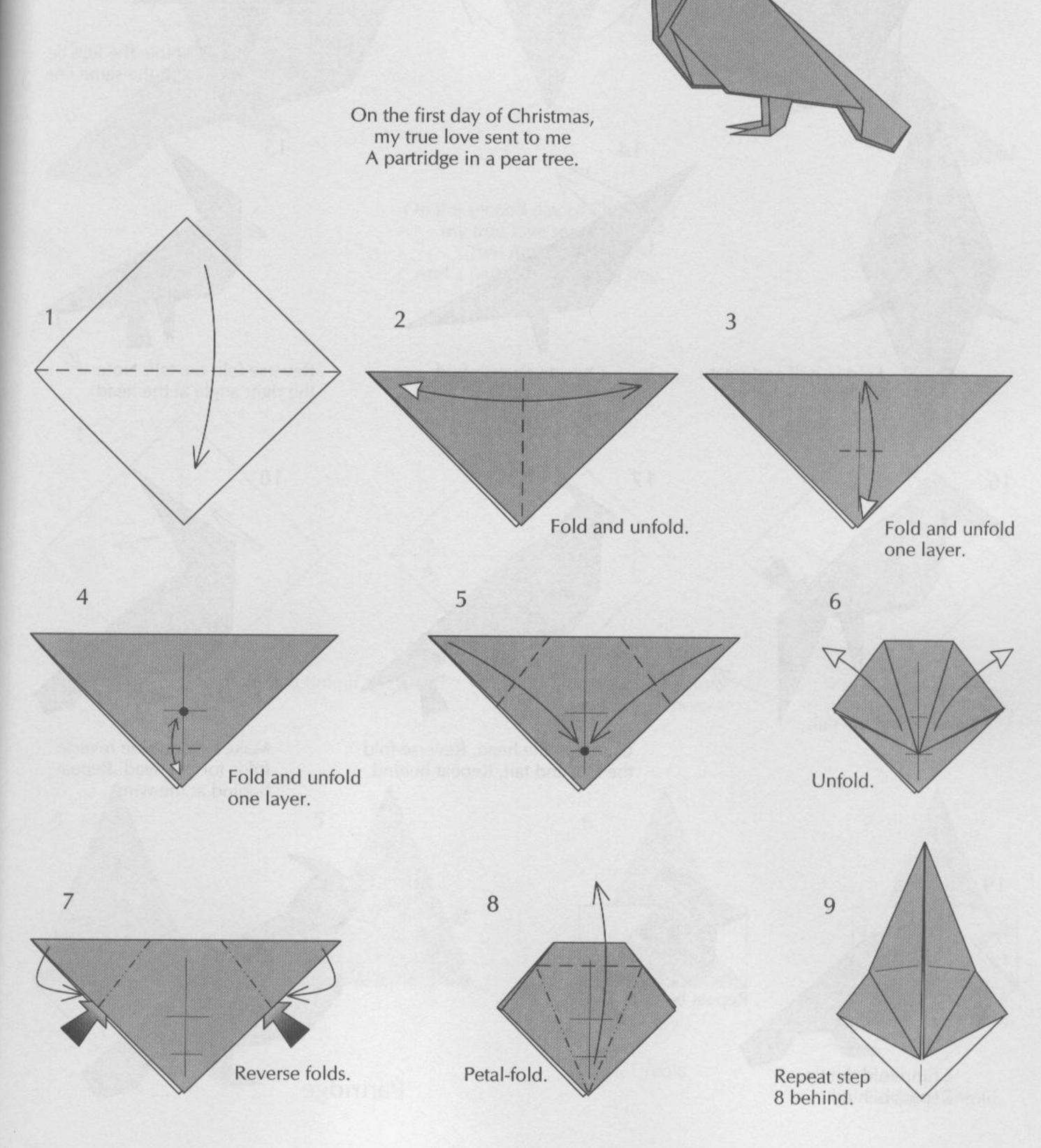


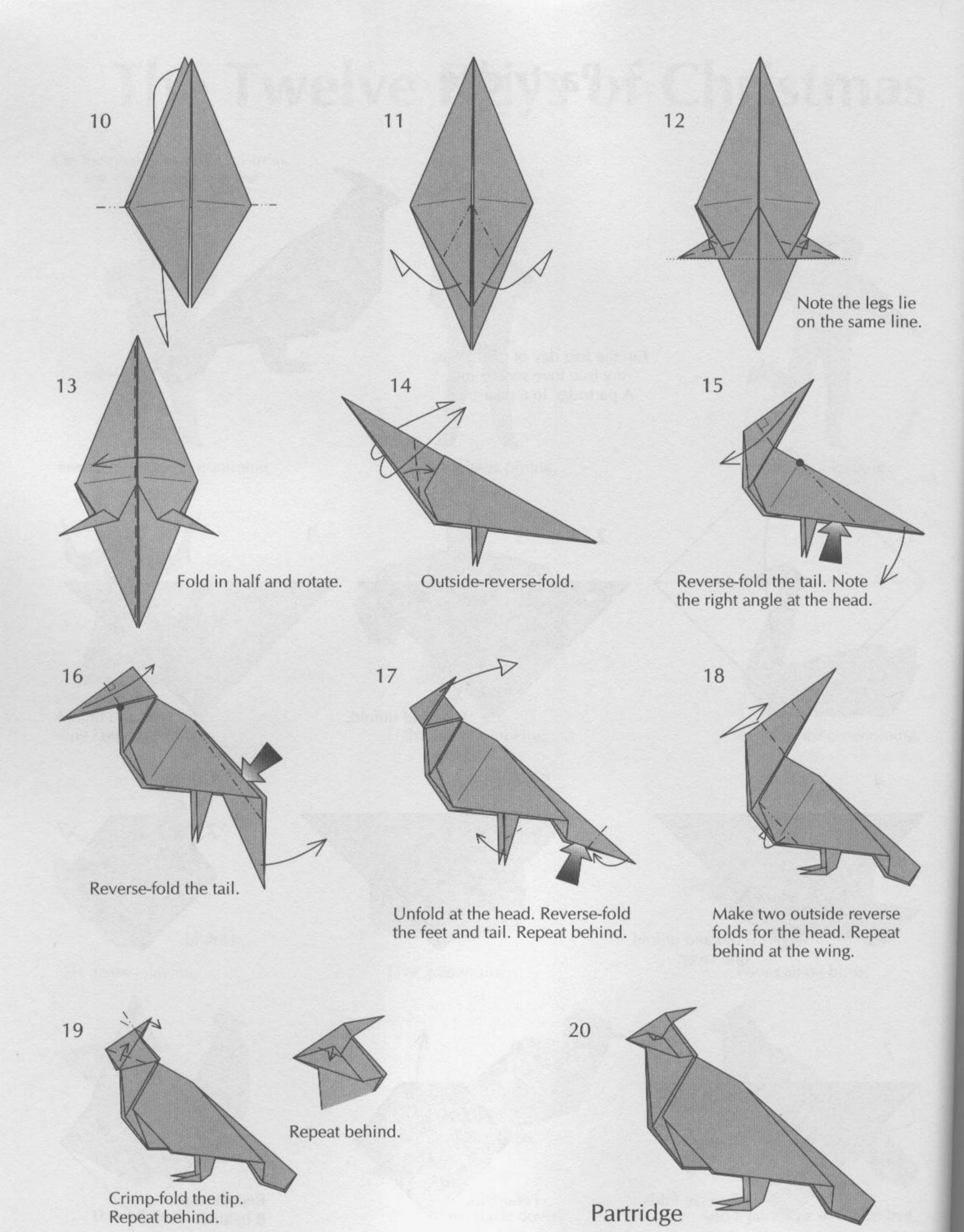
Two turtle doves,



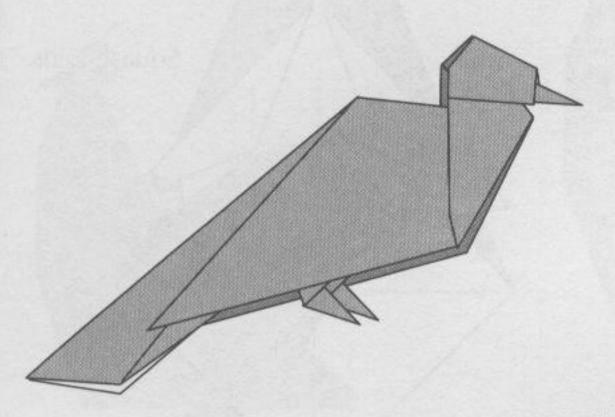
And a partridge in a pear tree.

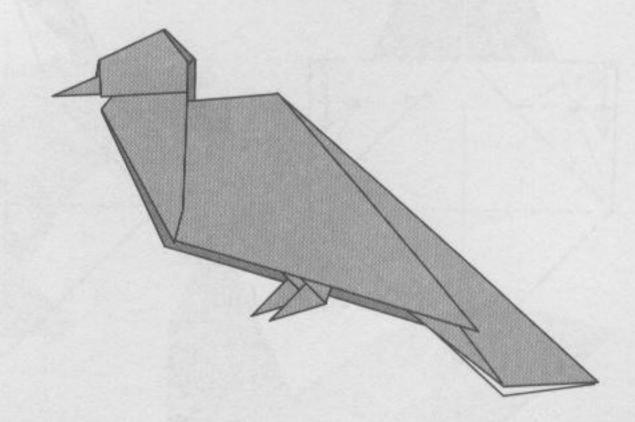
## **Partridge**



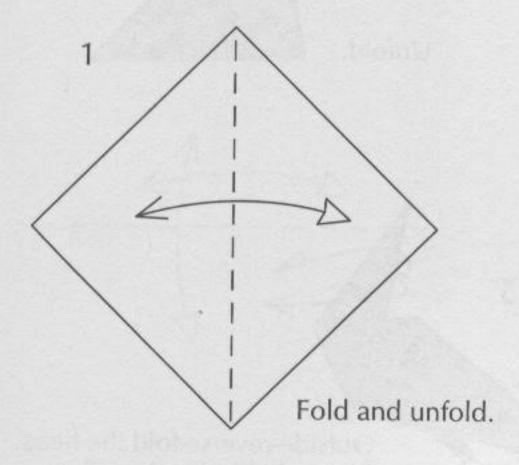


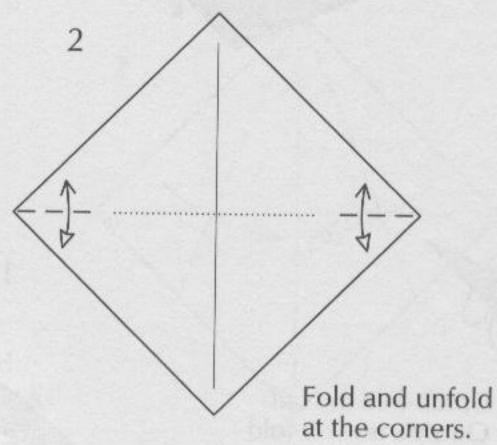
### **Turtle Dove**

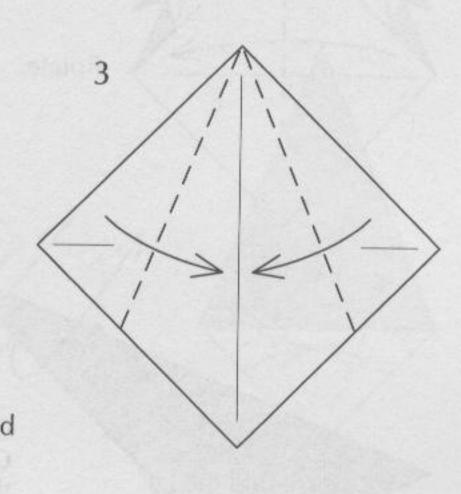


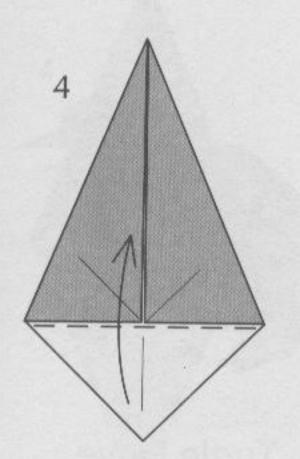


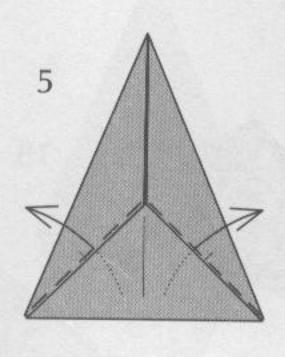
On the second day of Christmas, my true love sent to me Two turtle doves, And a partridge in a pear tree.

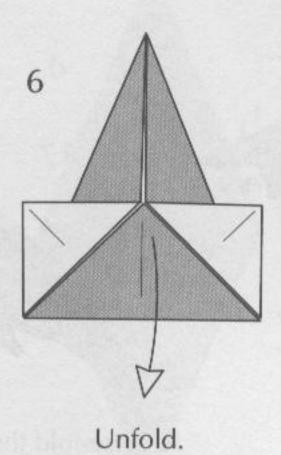


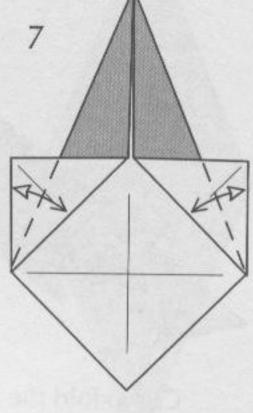




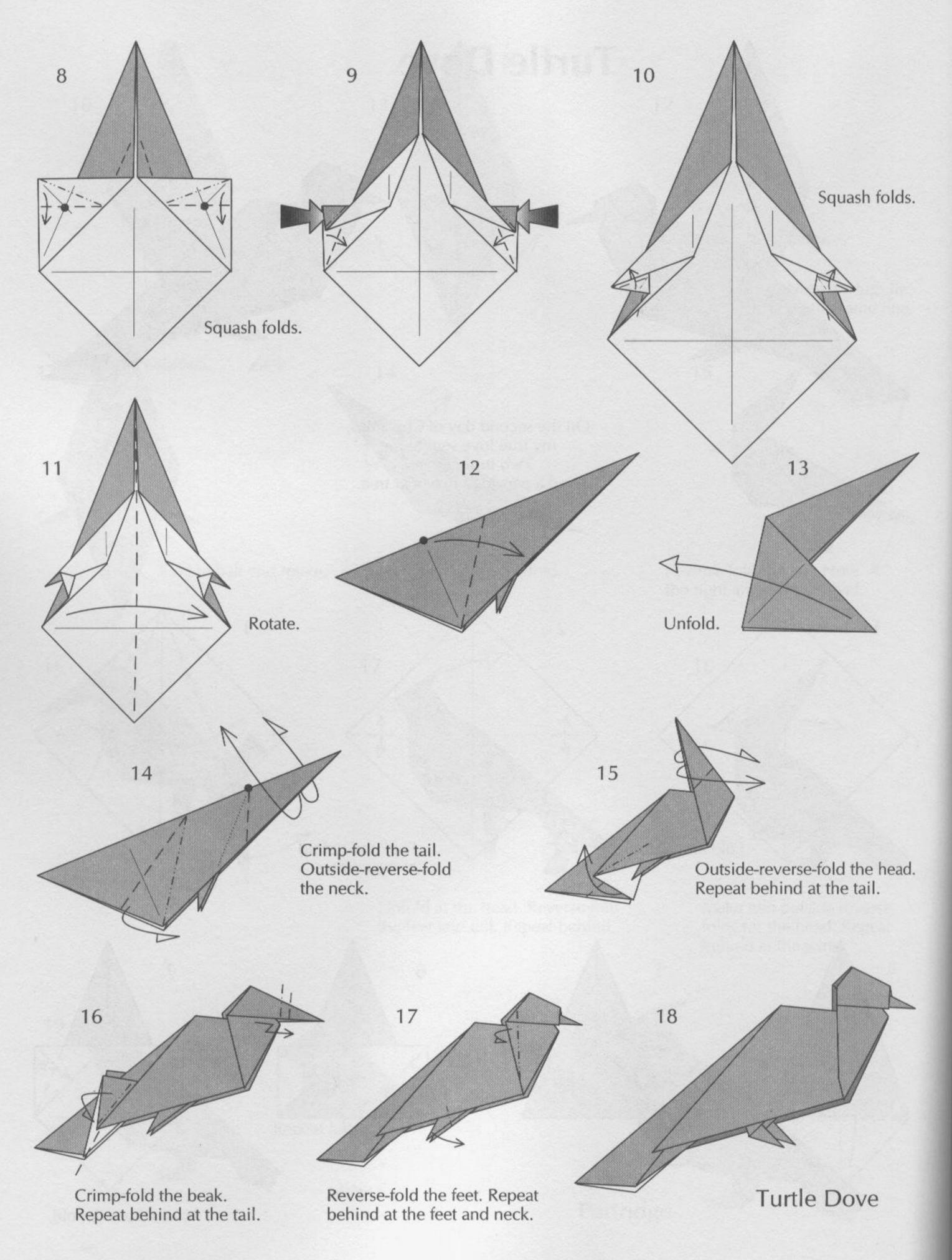




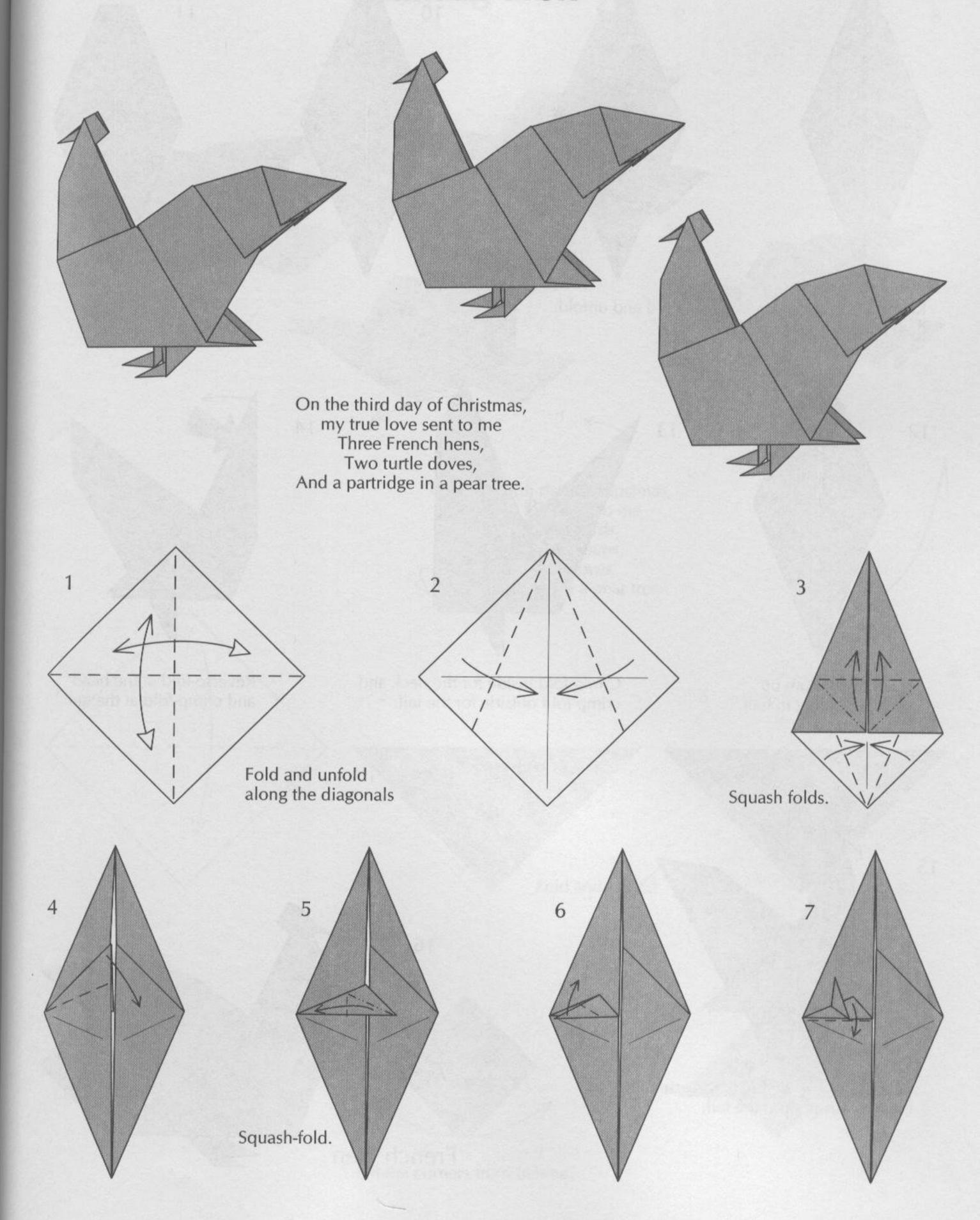


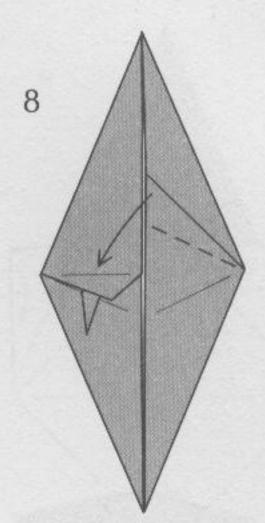


Fold and unfold.

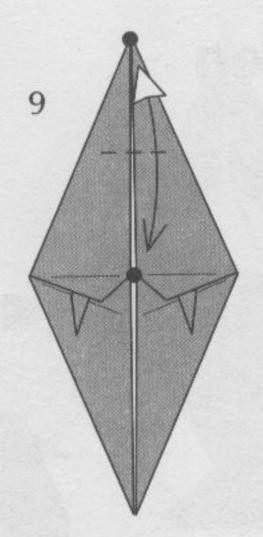


#### French Hen

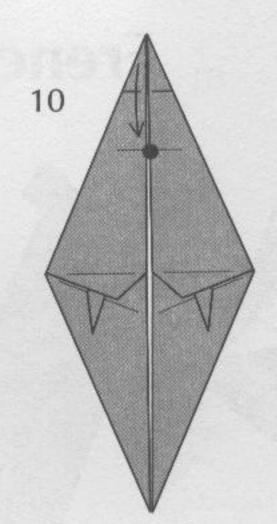


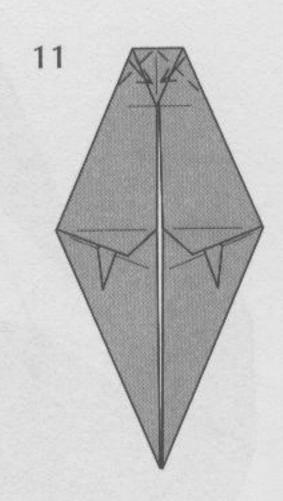


Repeat steps 4–7 on the right.



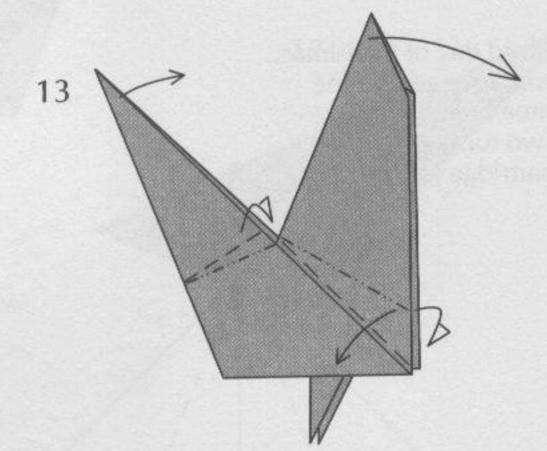
Fold and unfold.



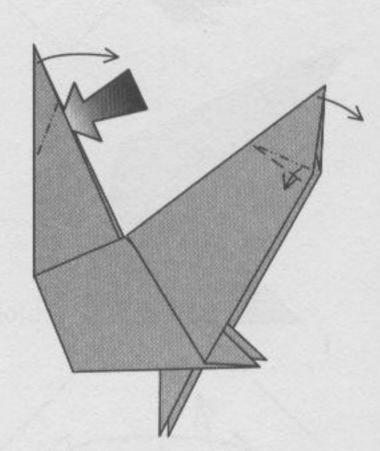


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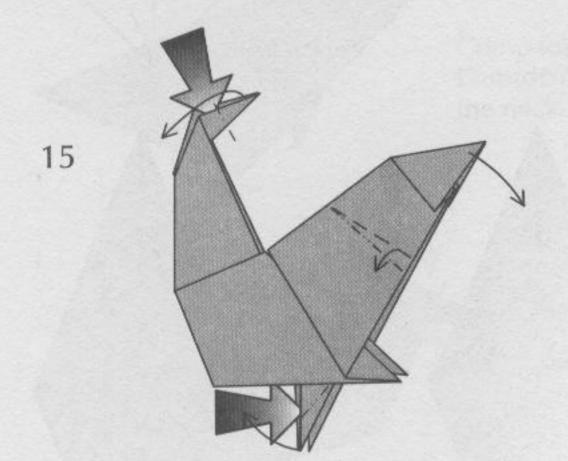
Lift the bottom up while folding in half.



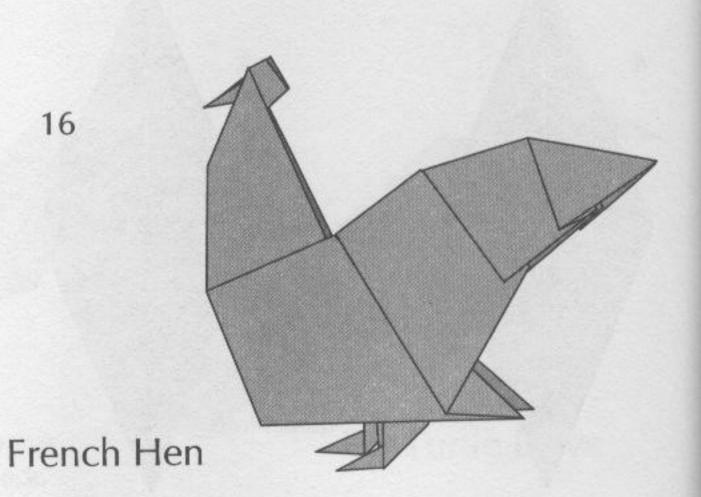
Crimp-fold inside for the neck and crimp-fold outside for the tail.



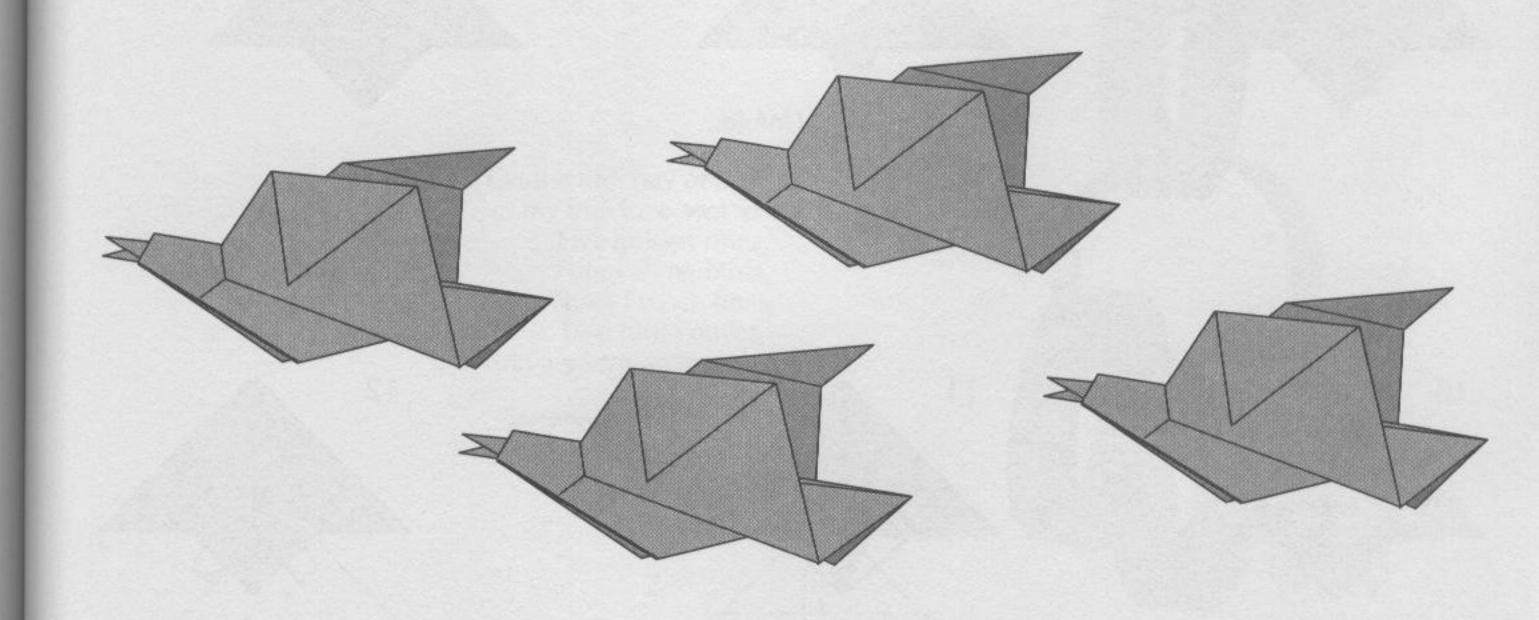
Reverse-fold at the head and crimp-fold at the tail.



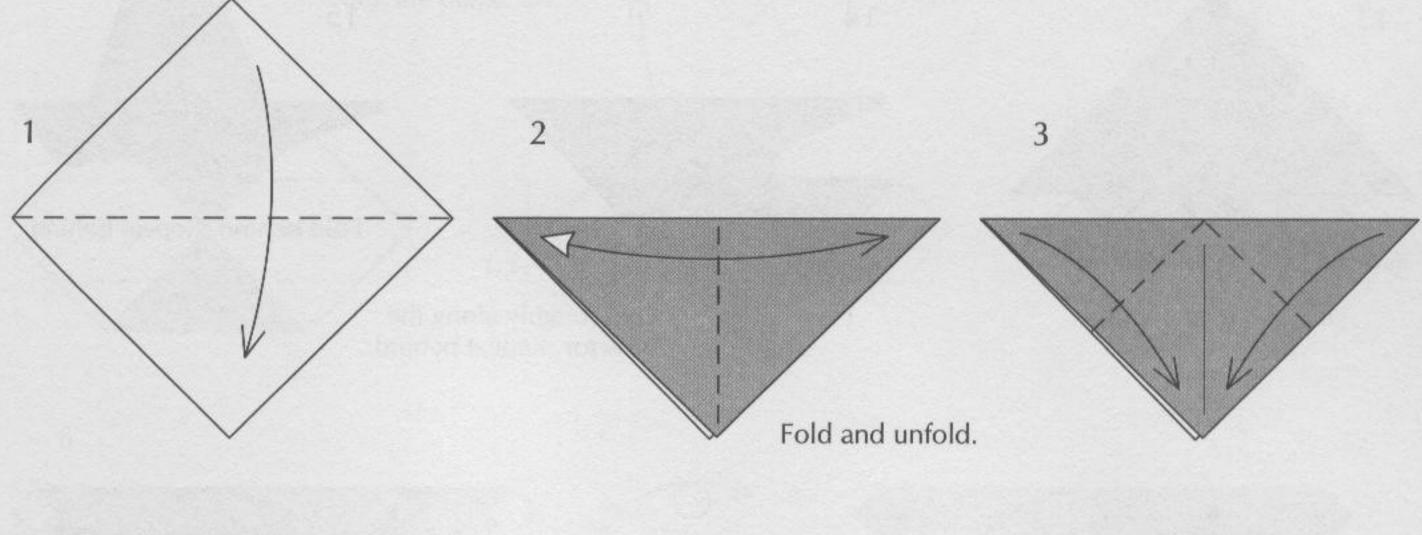
Reverse-fold at the head. Reverse-fold the feet. Crimp-fold the tail.

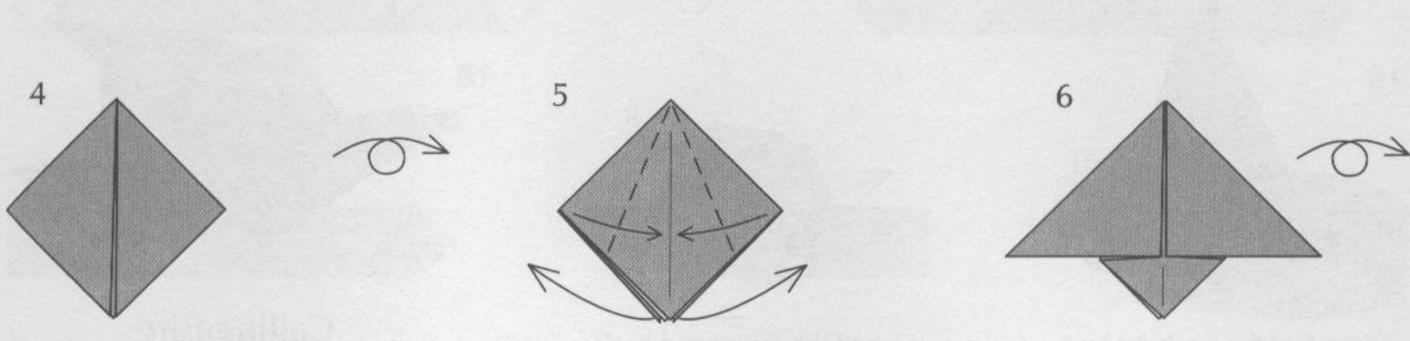


# **Calling Bird**

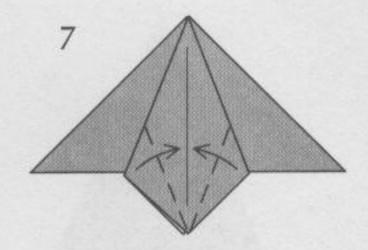


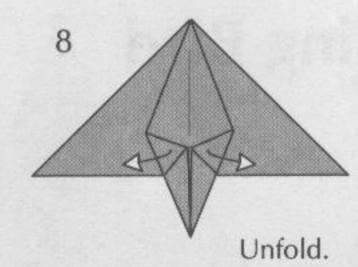
On the fourth day of Christmas, my true love sent to me Four calling birds, Three French hens, Two turtle doves, And a partridge in a pear tree.

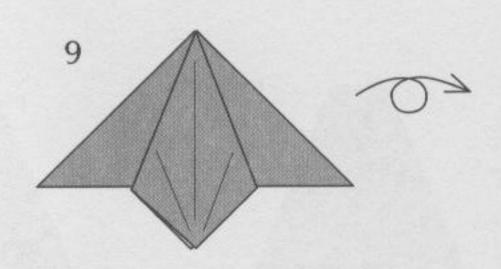


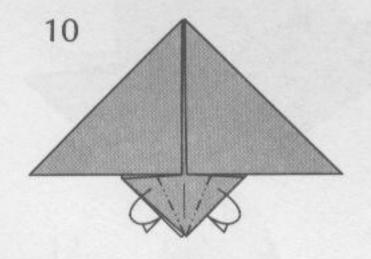


Lift the corners from behind.

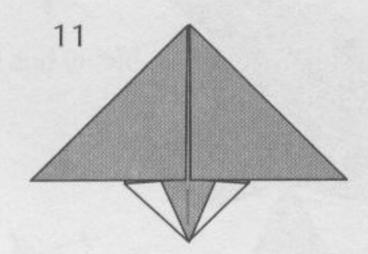


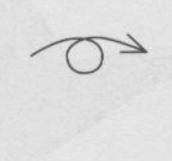


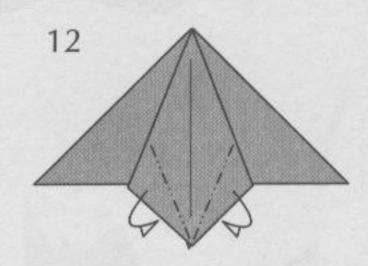




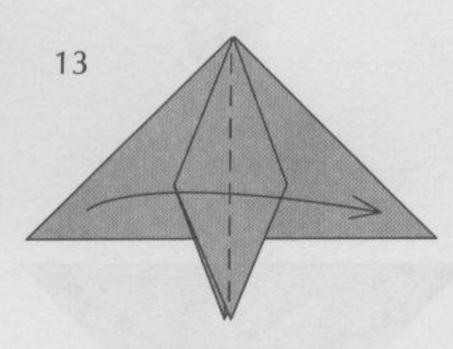
Fold inside.



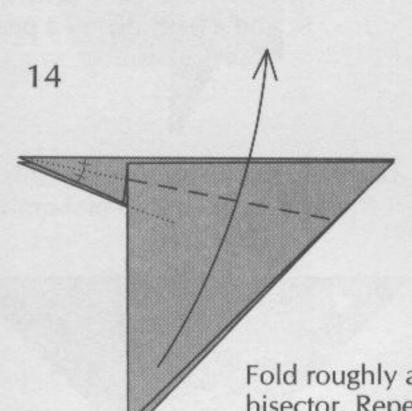




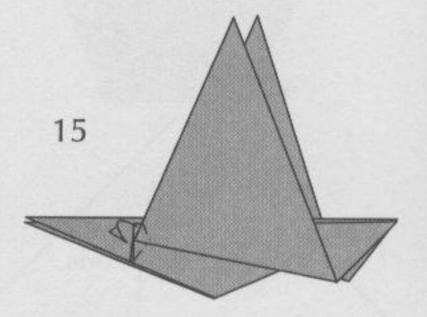
Reverse-fold the paper inside.



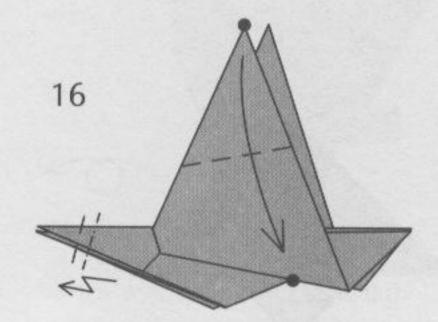
Fold in half and rotate.



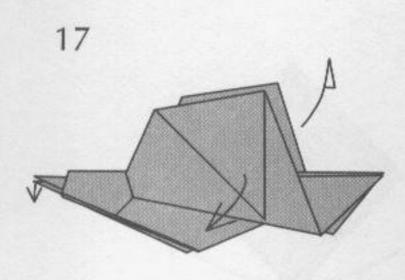
Fold roughly along the bisector. Repeat behind.



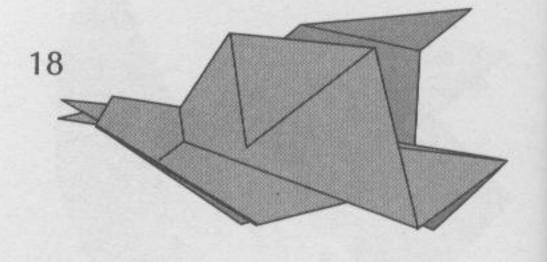
Fold behind. Repeat behind.



Crimp-fold the beak. Repeat behind at the wing.



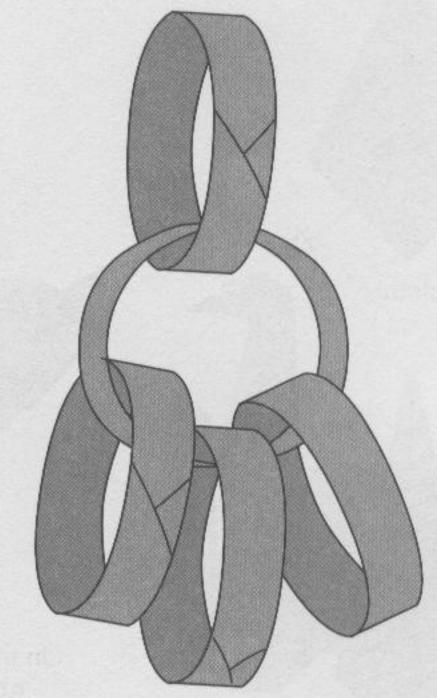
Spread the wings and beak.

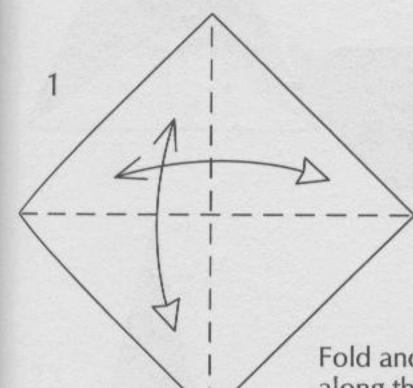


Calling Bird

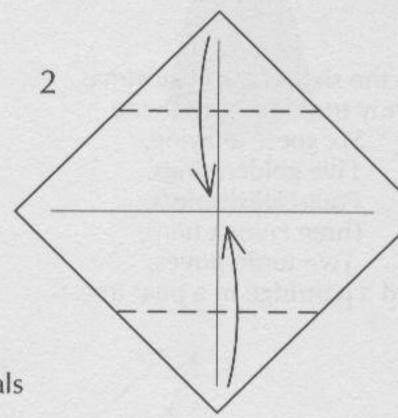
# Golden Ring

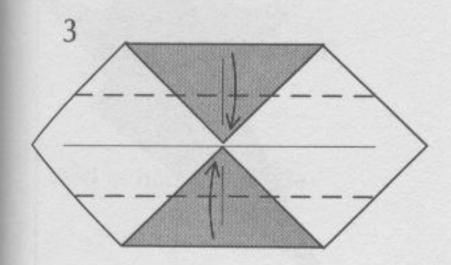
On the fifth day of Christmas, my true love sent to me
Five golden rings,
Four calling birds,
Three French hens,
Two turtle doves, And a partridge in a pear tree.

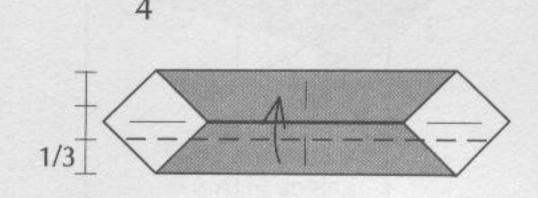


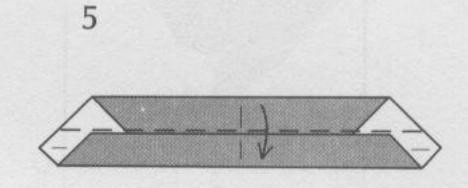


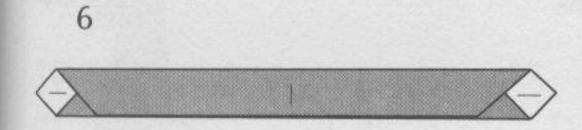
Fold and unfold along the diagonals

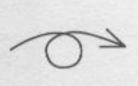


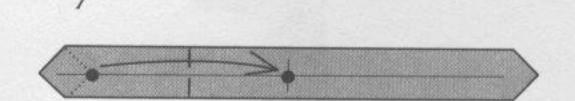






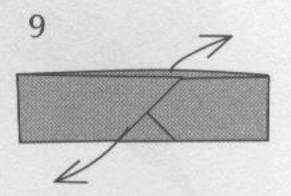




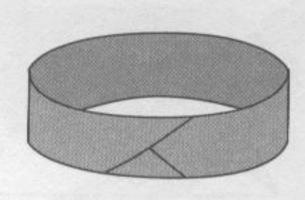




Tuck inside.

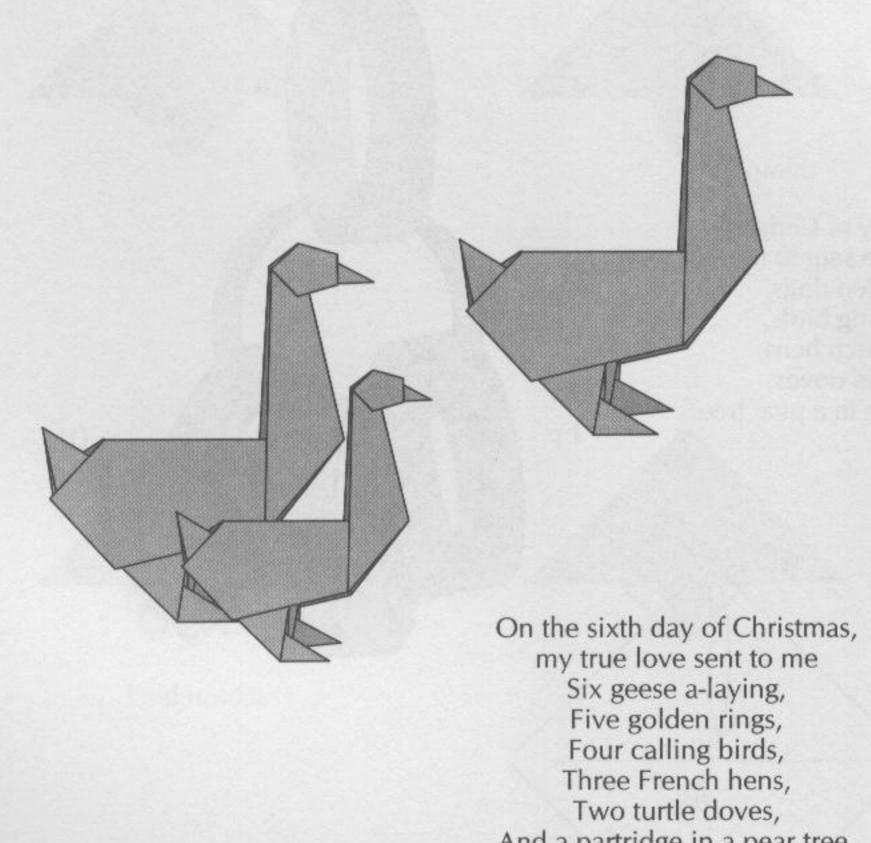


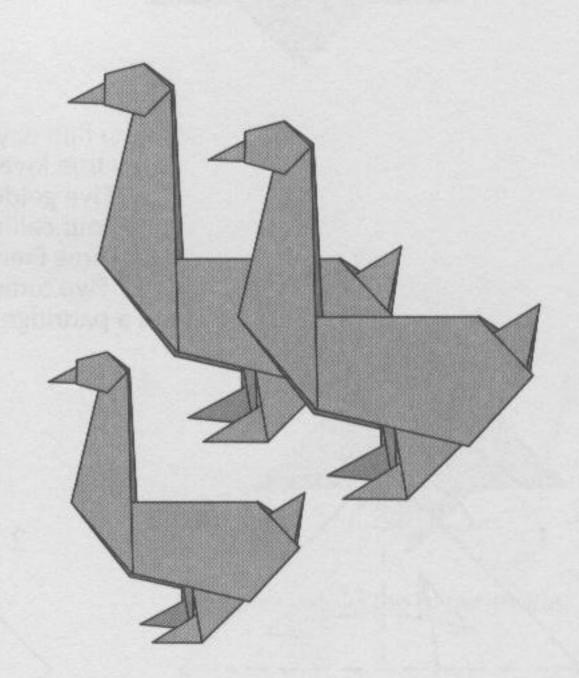
Make the ring round.



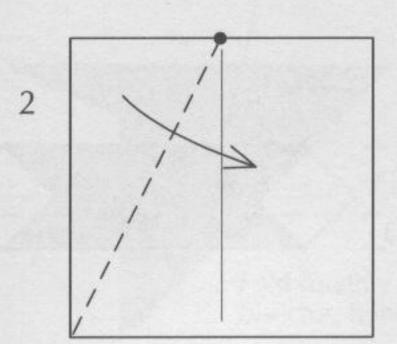
Golden Ring

#### Goose

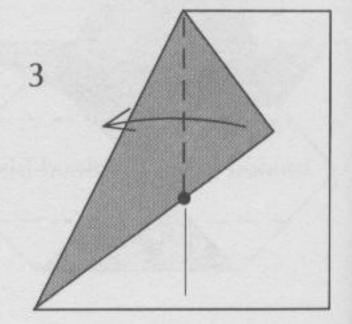




Fold and unfold.

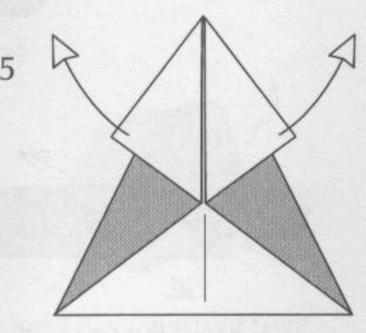


And a partridge in a pear tree.

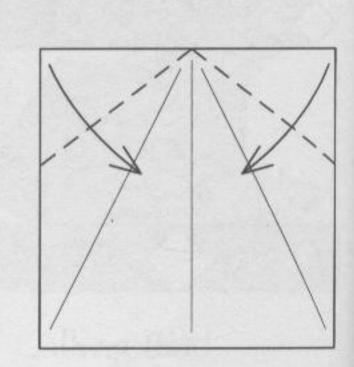


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Repeat steps 2-3 on the right.

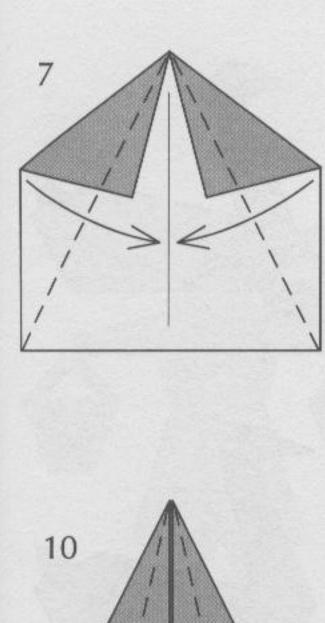


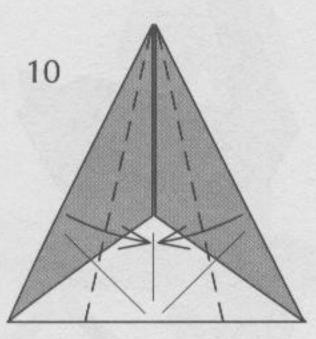
Unfold.

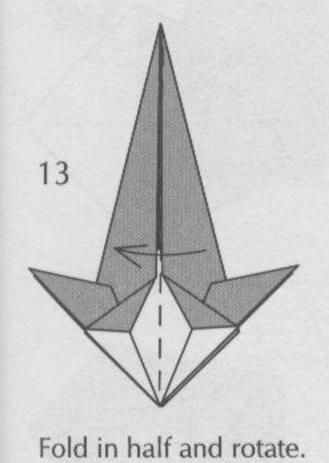


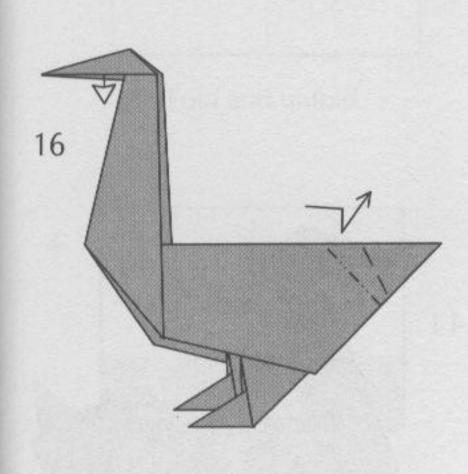
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Fold along the creases.

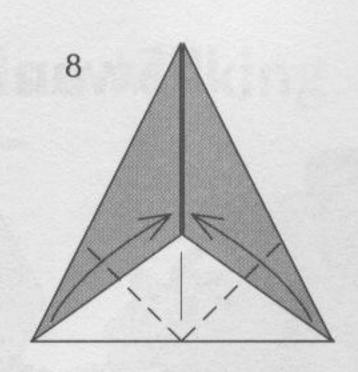


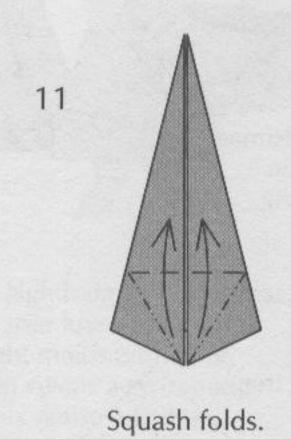


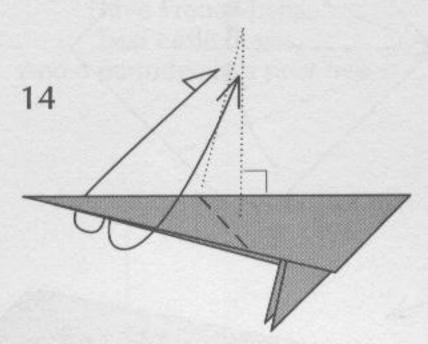


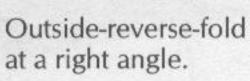


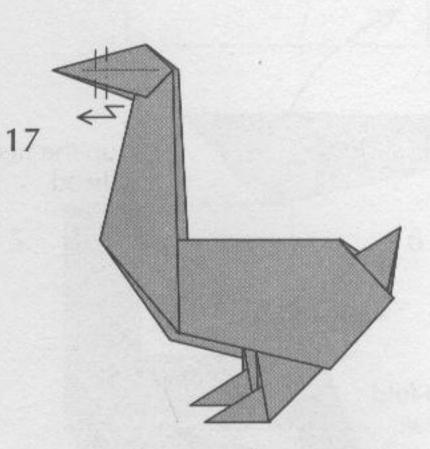
Pull out at the head and repeat behind. Crimp-fold the tail.



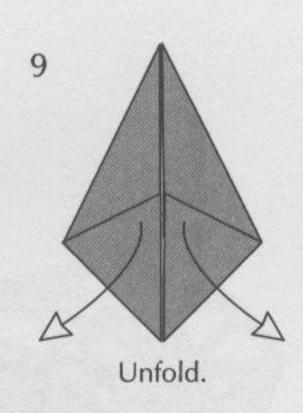


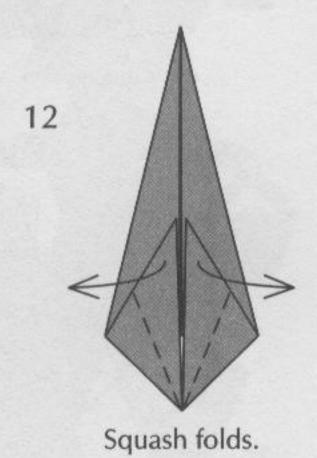


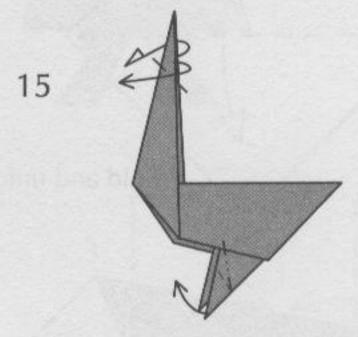




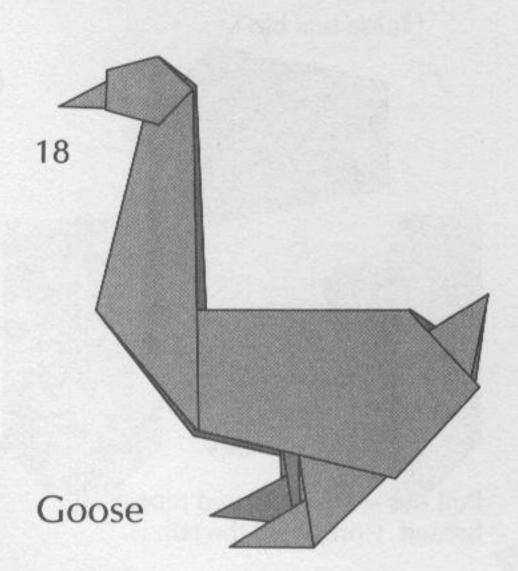
Crimp-fold the beak.

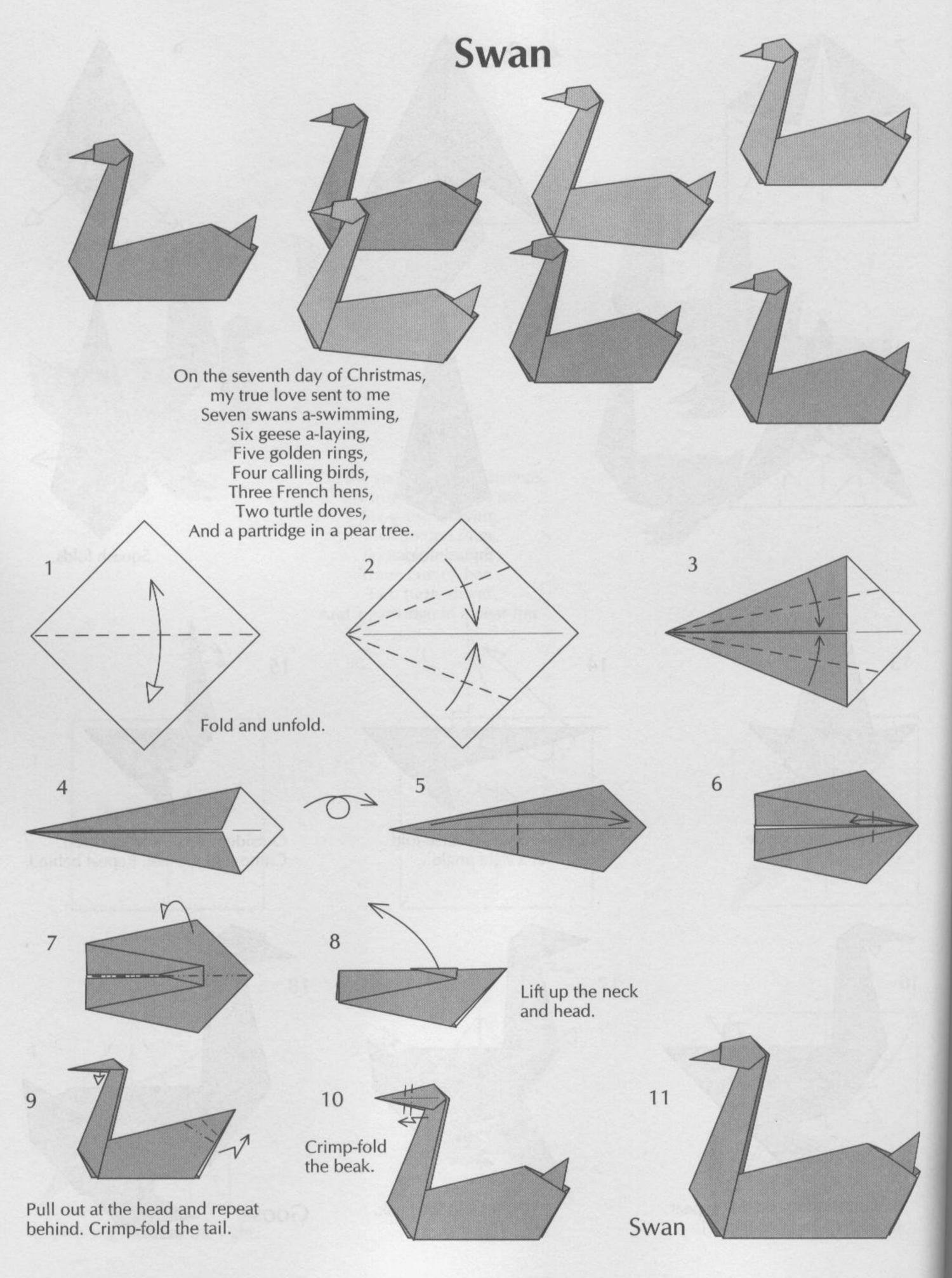




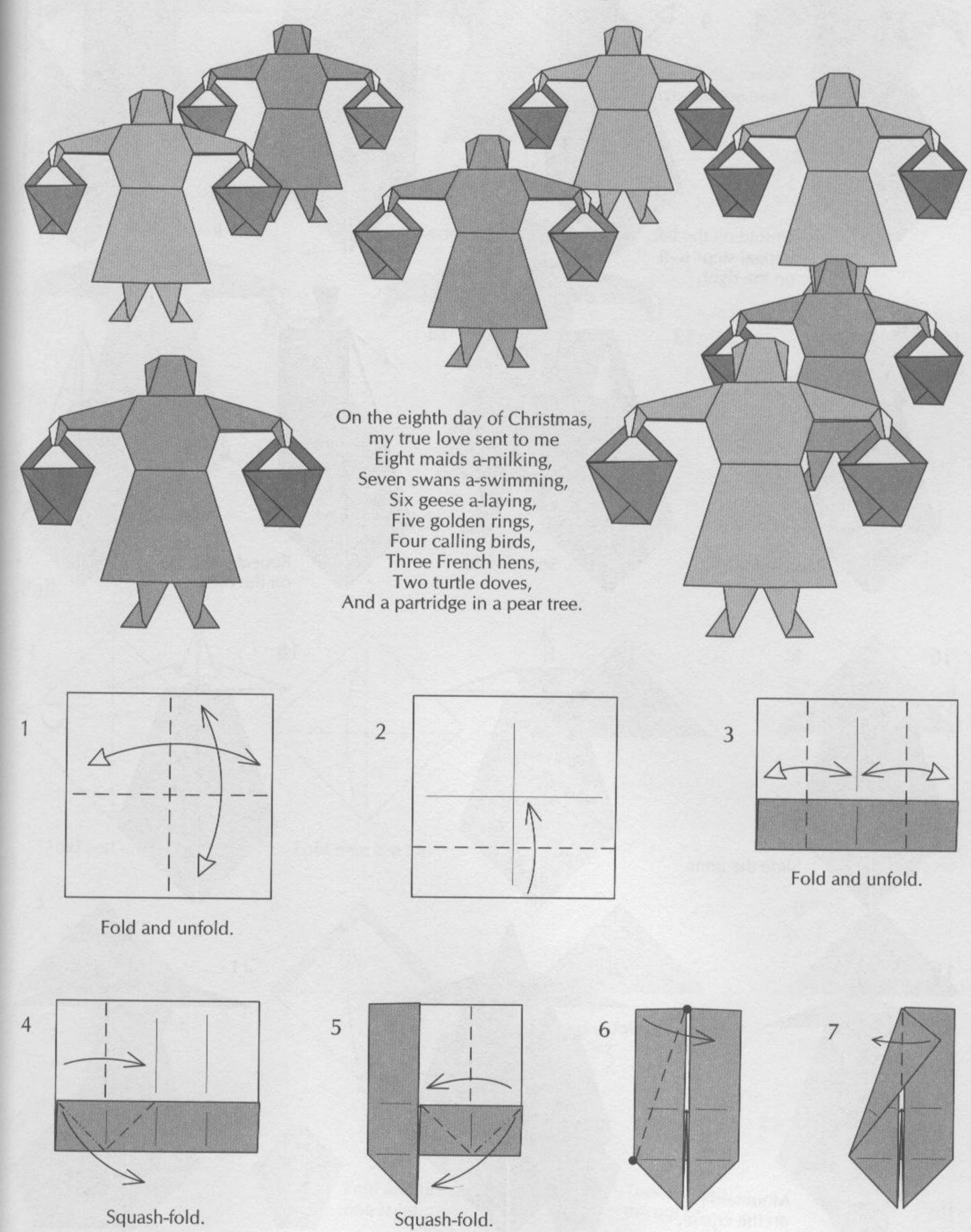


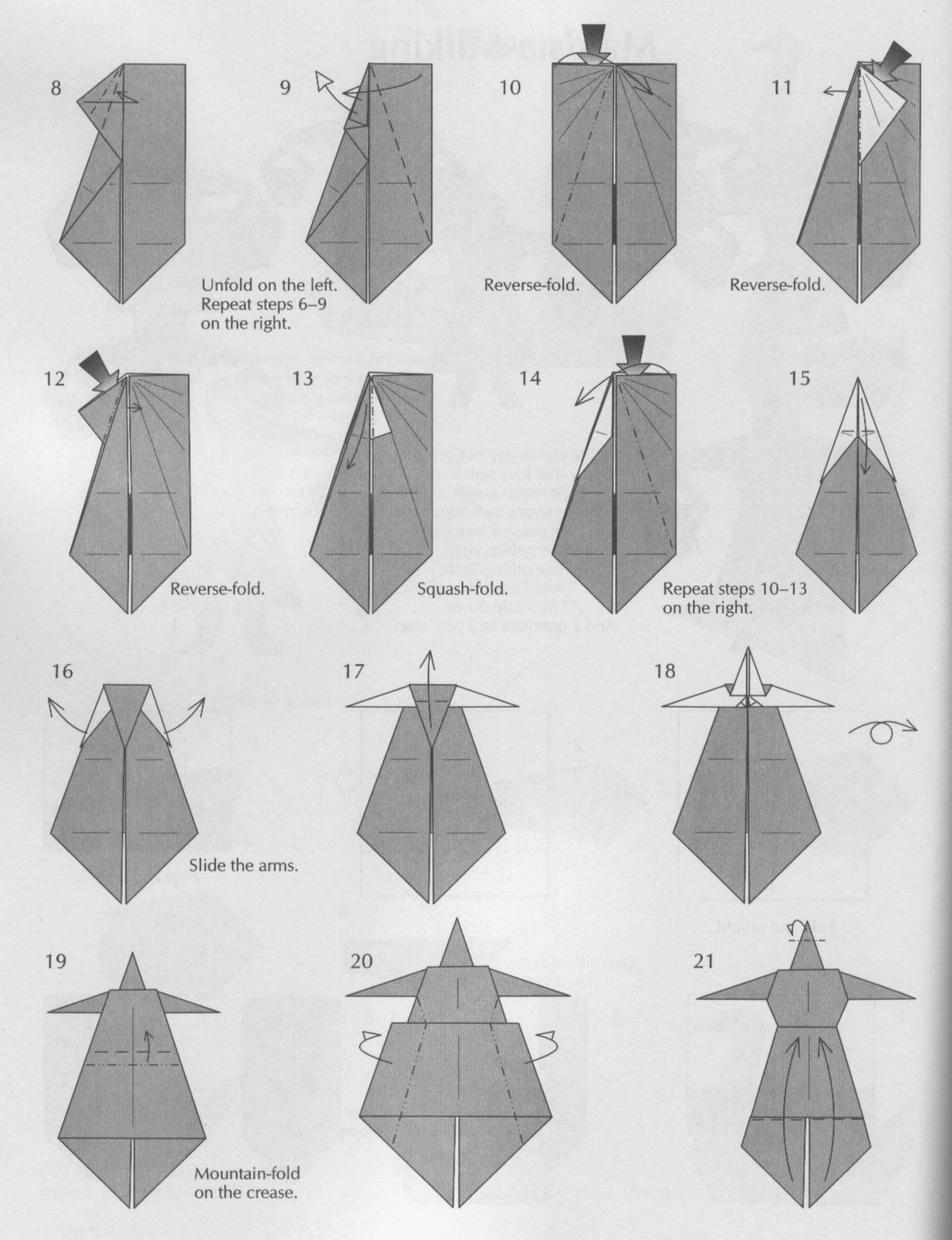
Outside-reverse-fold the head. Crimp-fold the feet. Repeat behind.



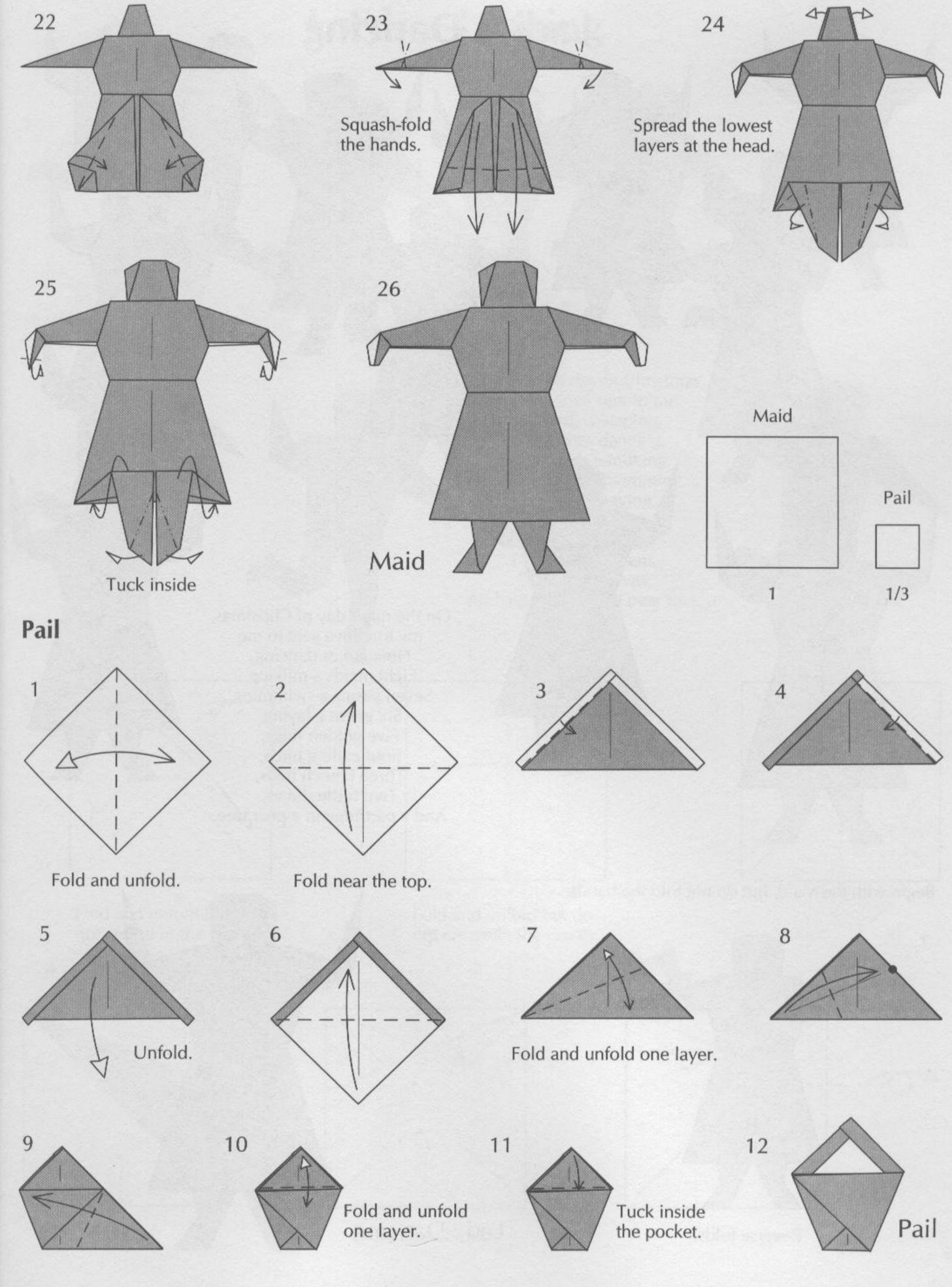


### Maids a-Milking



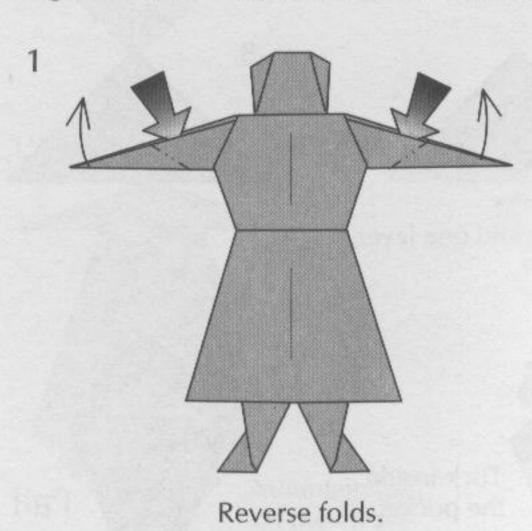


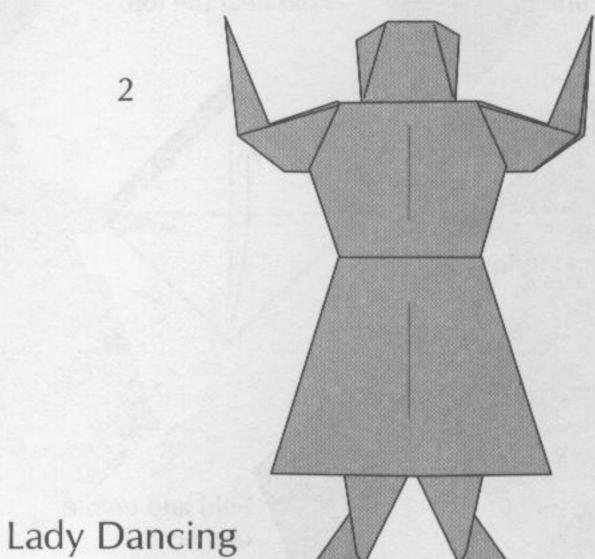
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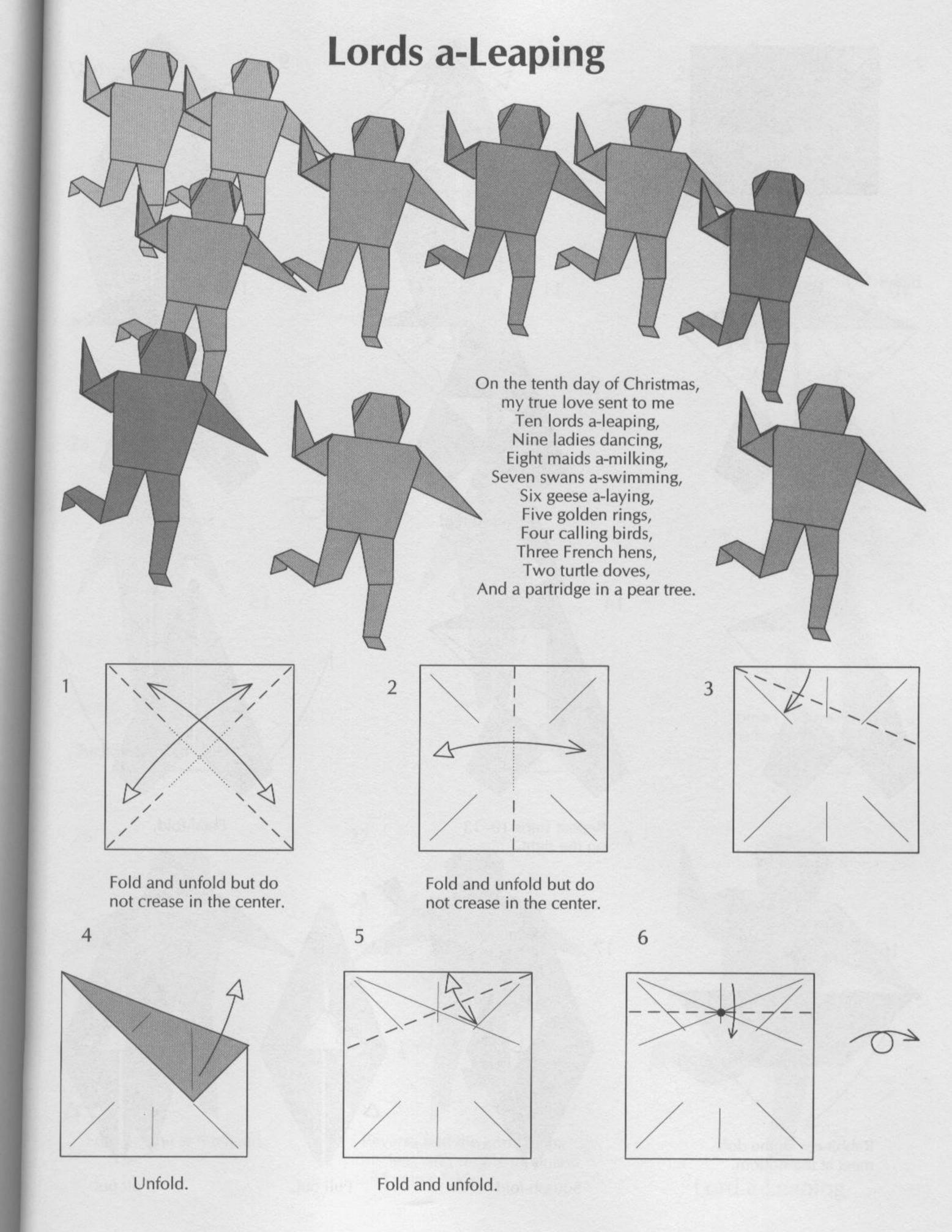


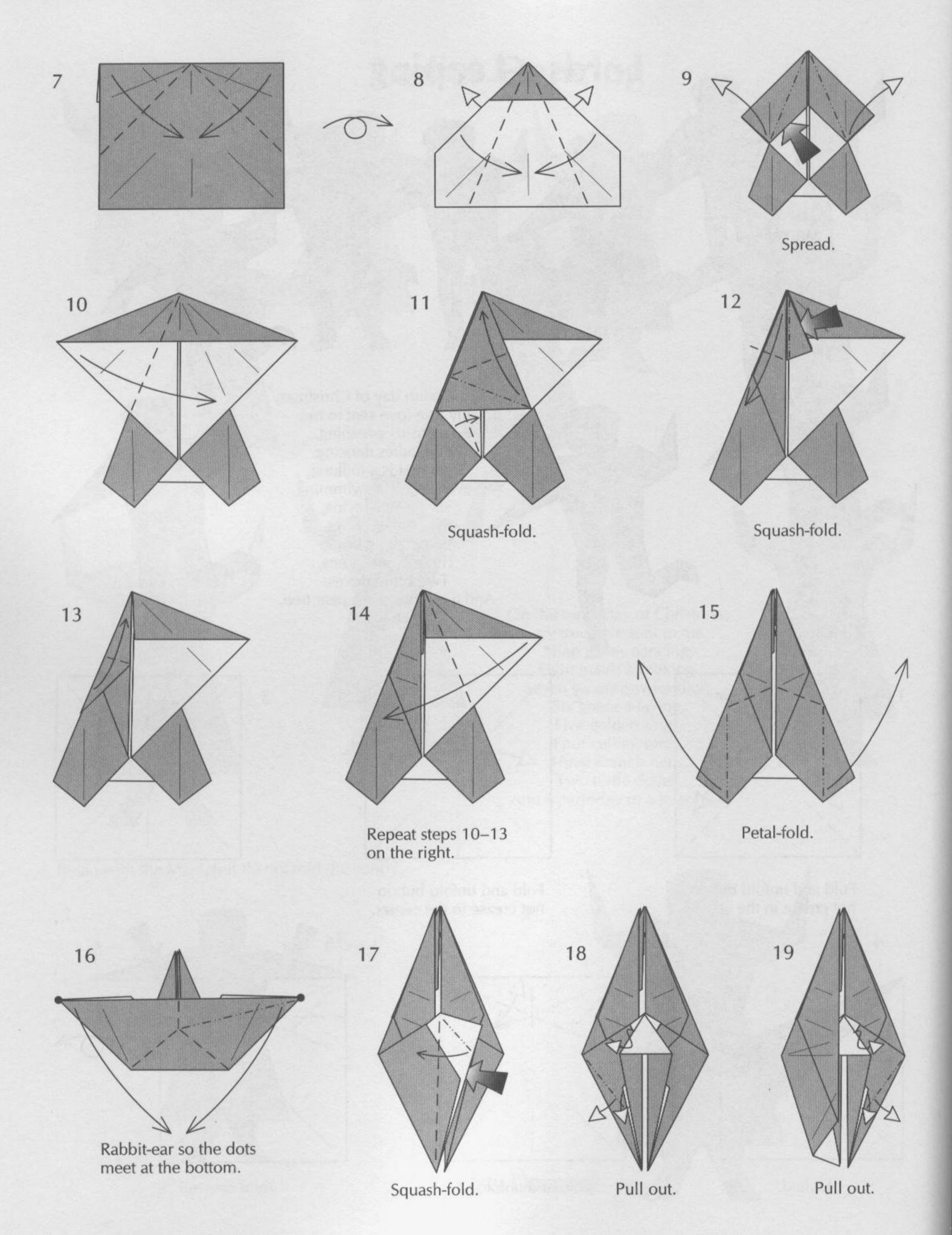


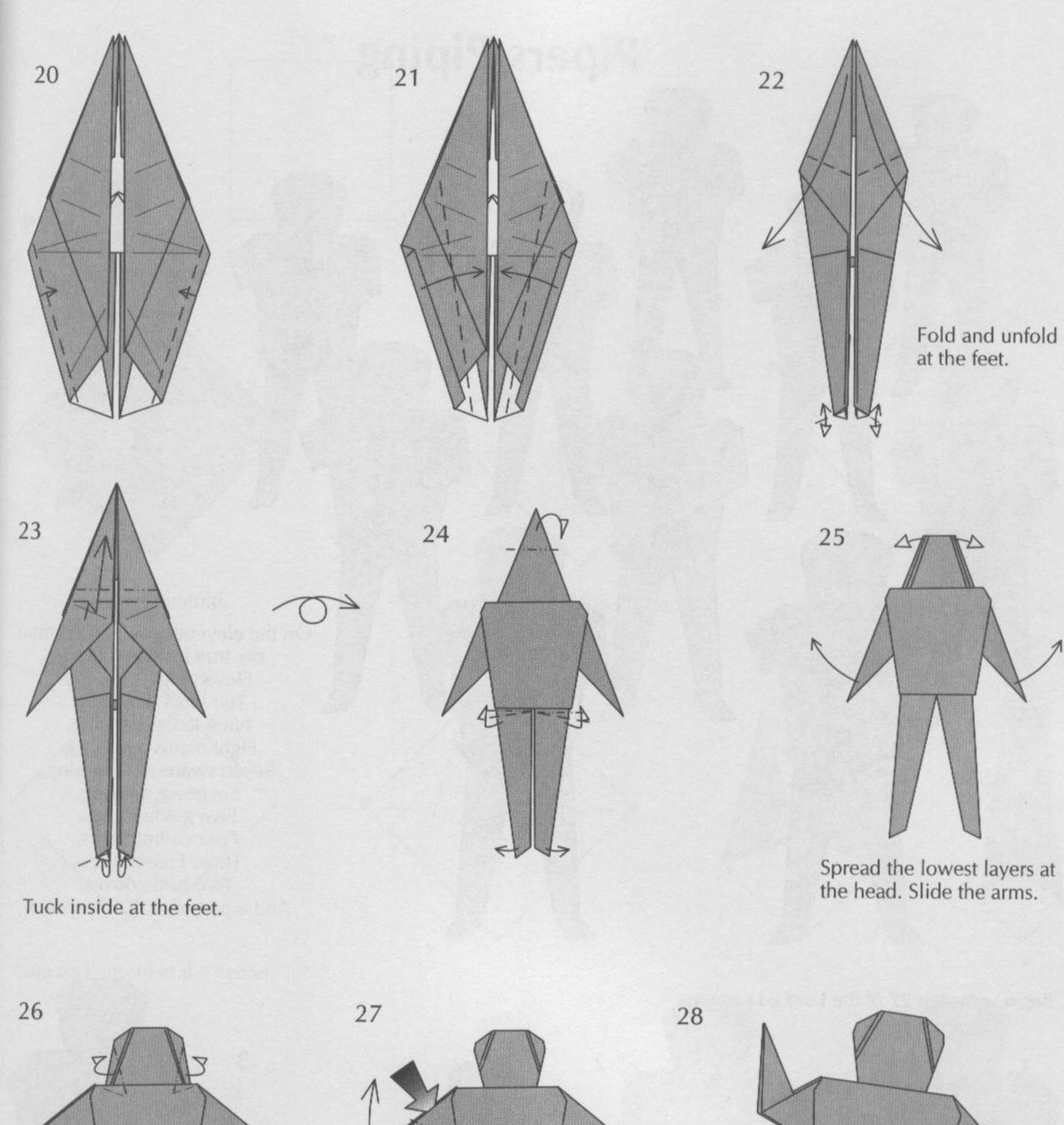
Begin with the Maid, but do not fold the hands.

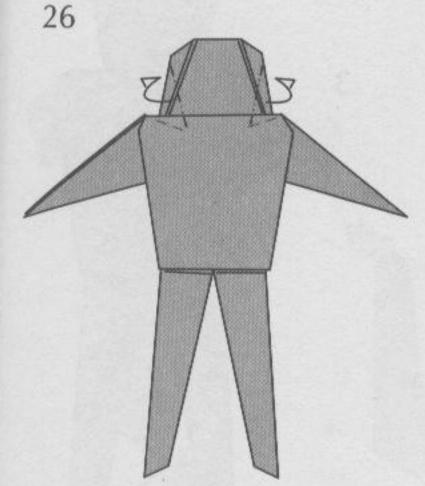


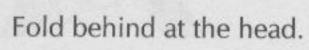


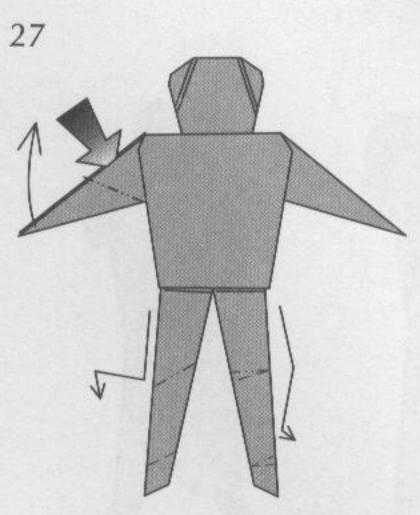




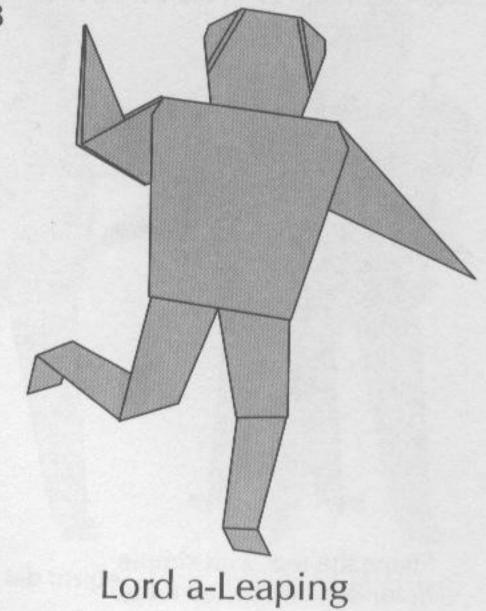




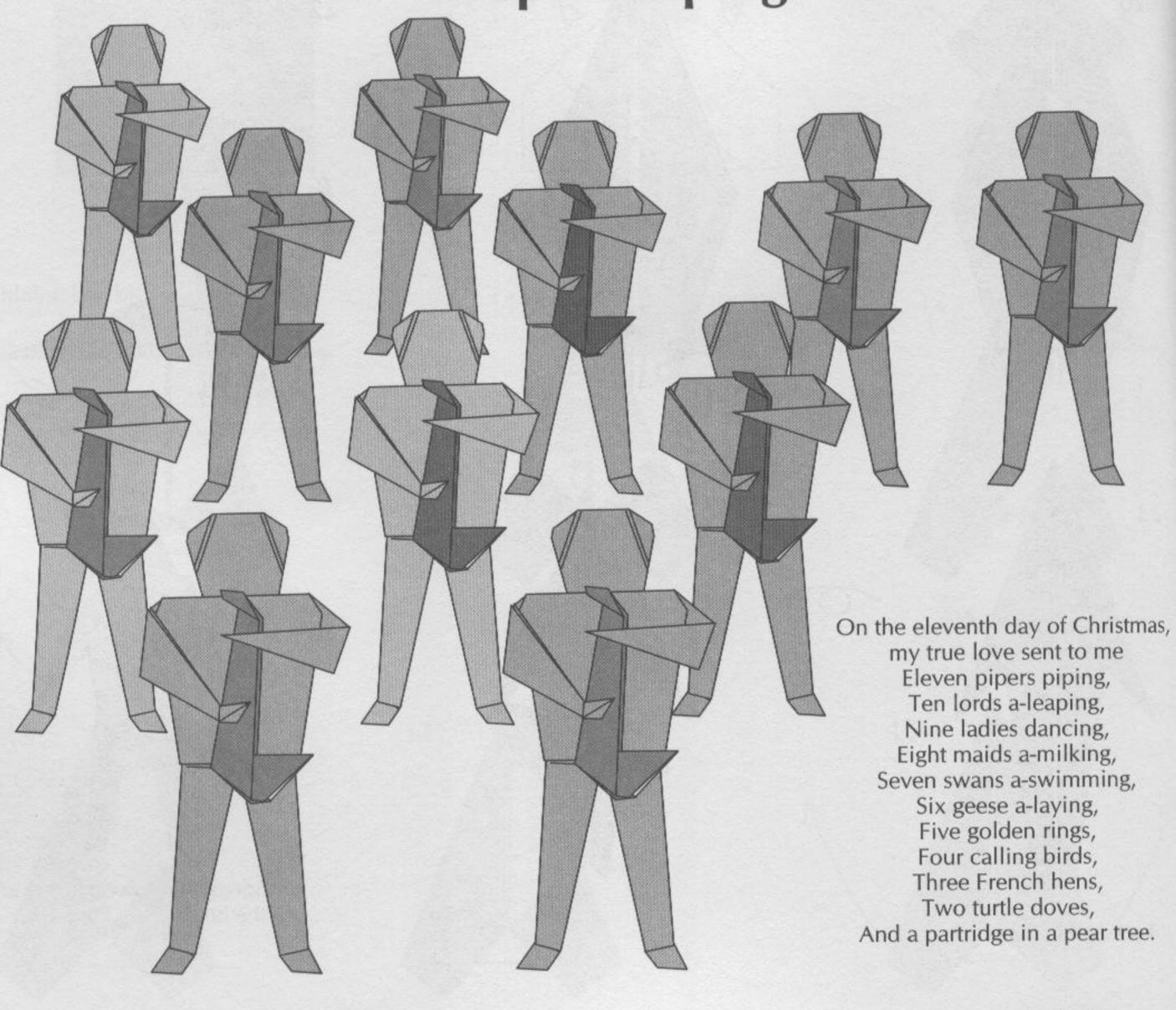




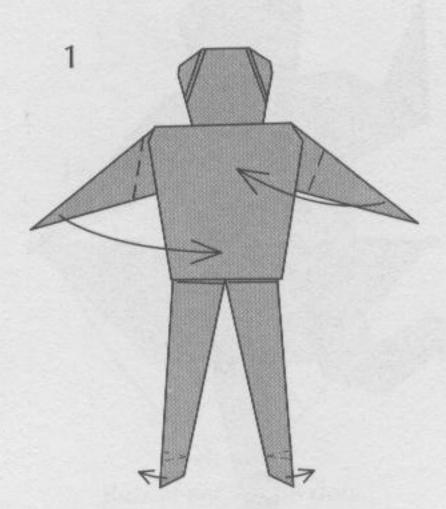
Reverse-fold the arm. Shape the legs with simple mountain and valley folds.



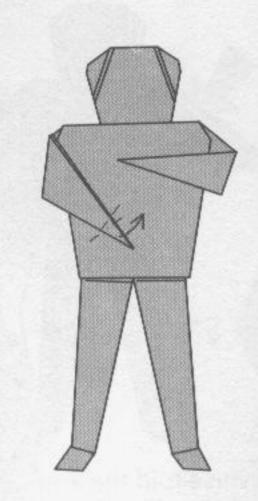
### **Pipers Piping**



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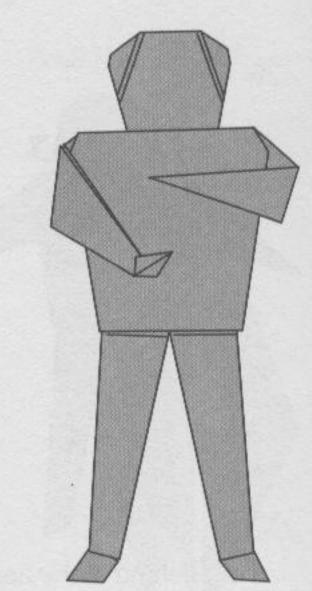


Shape the feet with simple mountain and valley folds.

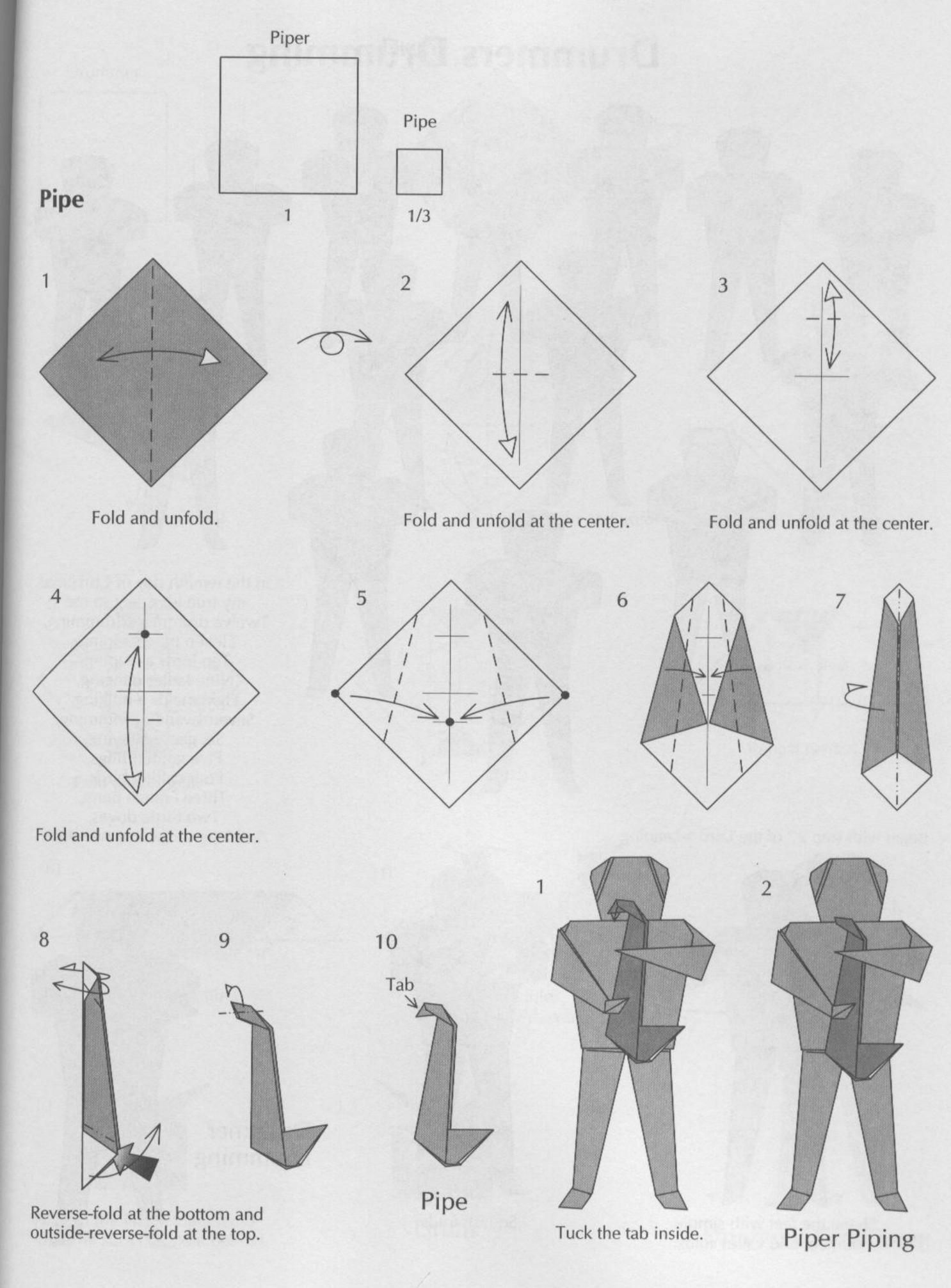


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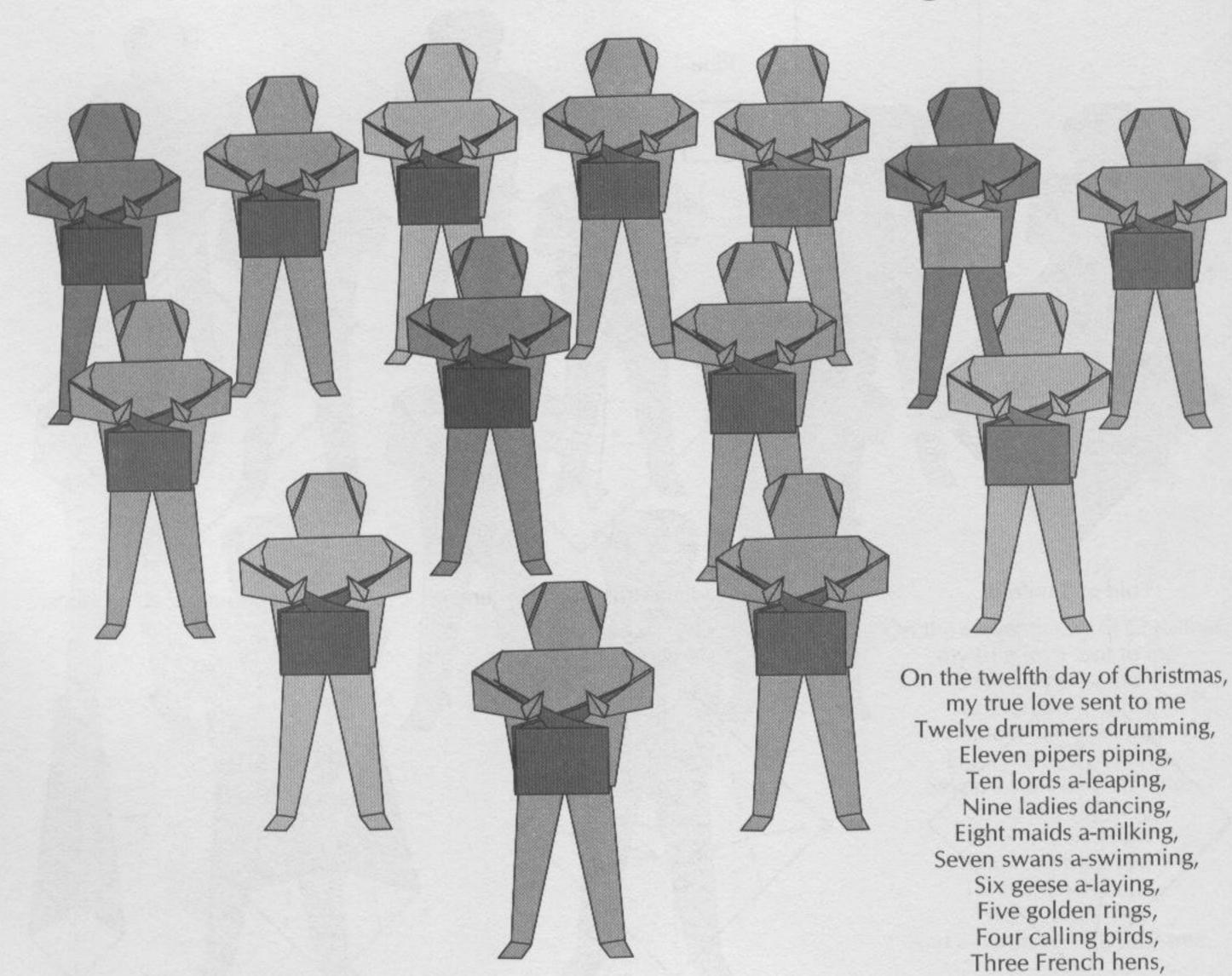
Squash-fold.



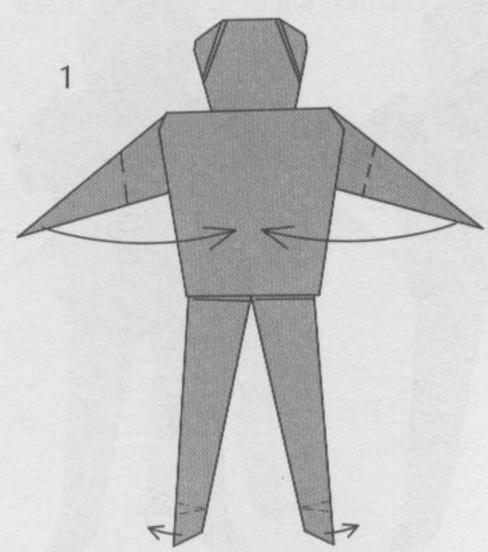
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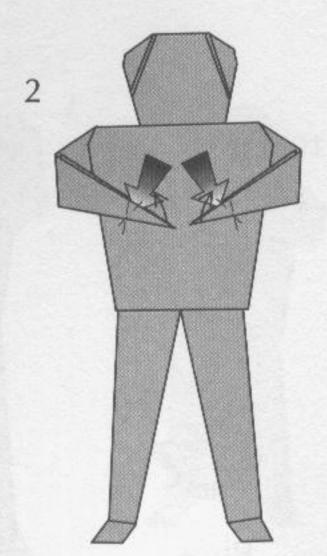
## **Drummers Drumming**



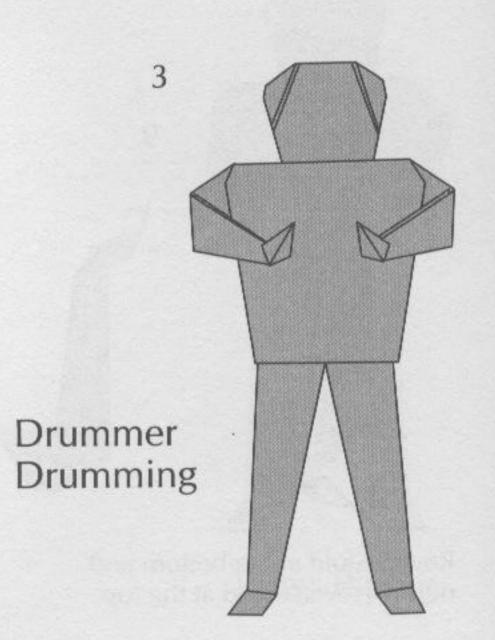
Begin with step 27 of the Lord a-Leaping.



Shape the feet with simple mountain and valley folds.

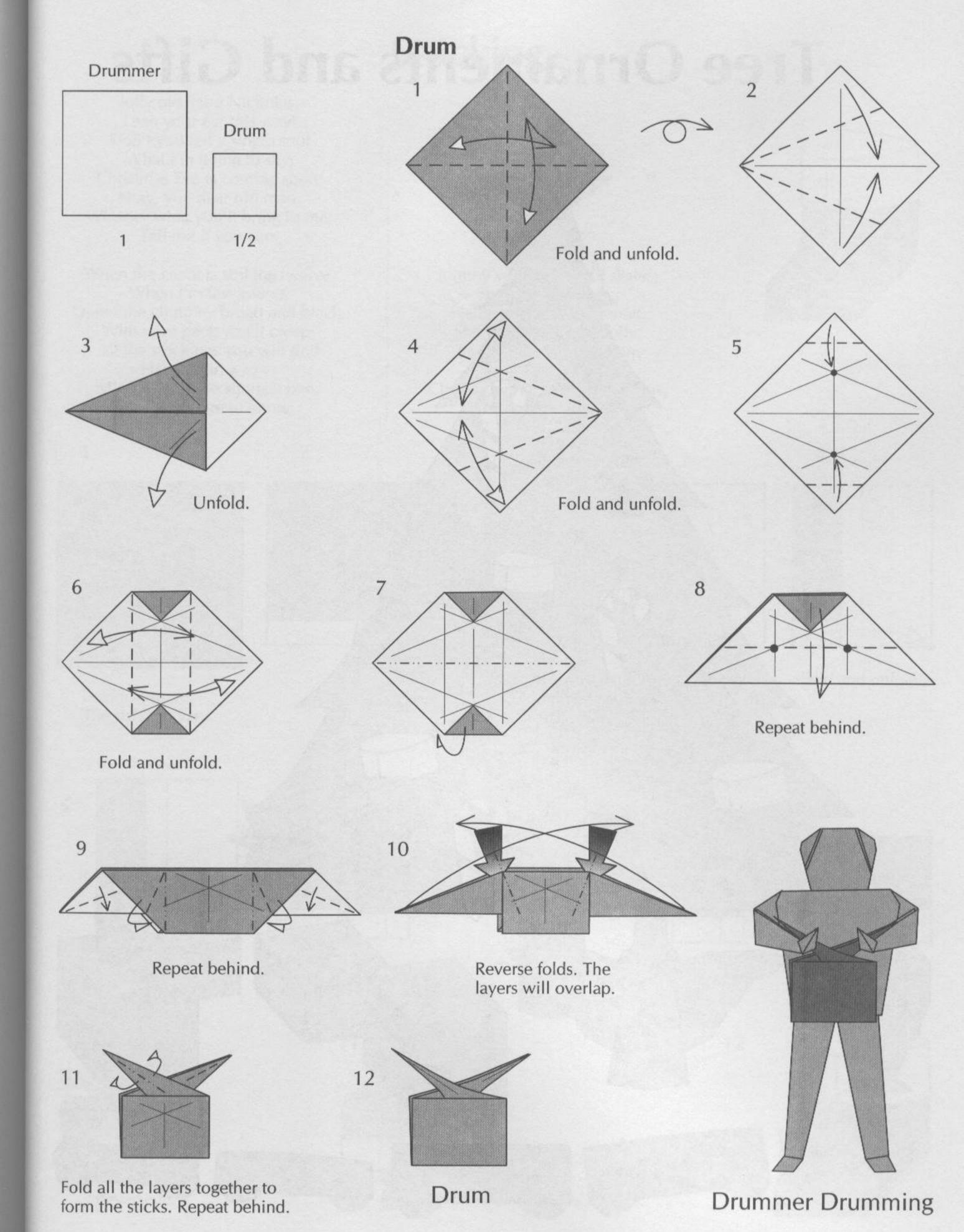


Squash folds.



Two turtle doves,

And a partridge in a pear tree.



# Tree Ornaments and Gifts

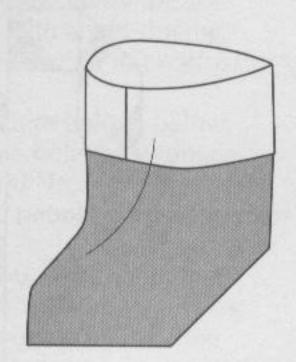


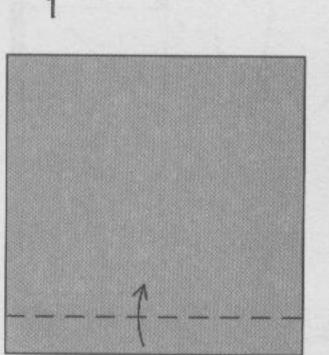
#### Stocking

Jolly old Saint Nicholas, Lean your ear this way! Don't you tell a single soul What I'm going to say; Christmas Eve is coming soon; Now, you dear old man, Whisper what you'll bring to me; Tell me if you can.

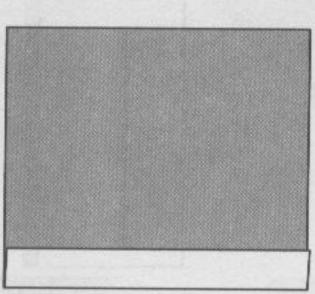
When the clock is striking twelve, When I'm fast asleep, Down the chimney broad and black, With your pack you'll creep; All the stockings you will find Hanging in a row; Mine will be the shortest one, You'll be sure to know.

Johnny wants a pair of skates; Susy wants a dolly; Nellie wants a story book; She thinks dolls are folly; As for me, my little brain Isn't very bright; Choose for me, old Santa Claus, What you think is right.



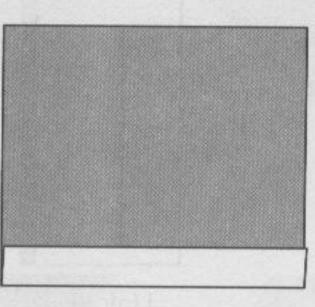


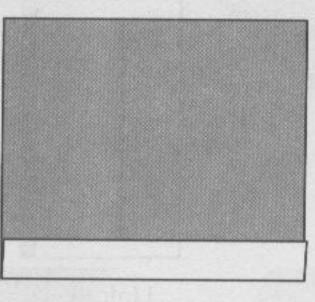
Fold a strip up.



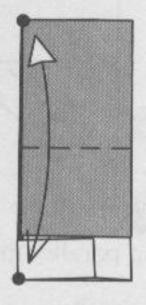
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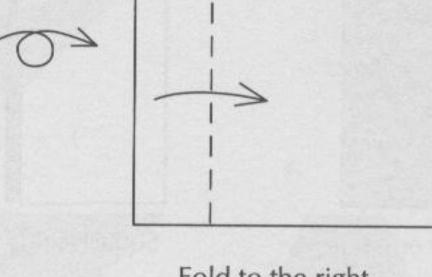




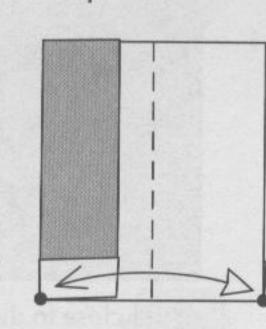
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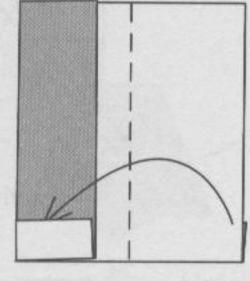
Fold and unfold.



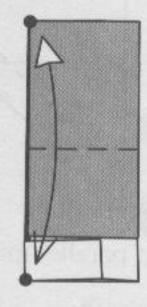
Fold to the right. The size can vary.

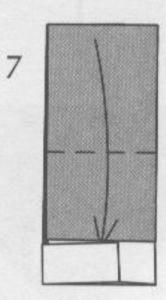


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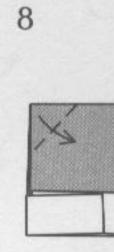


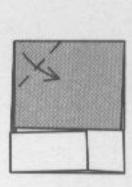
Tuck inside.

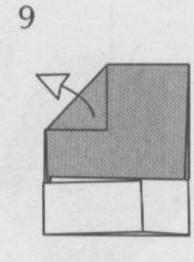




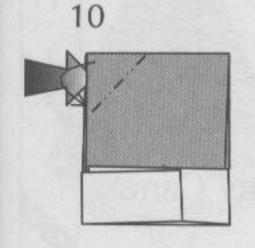
Tuck inside.



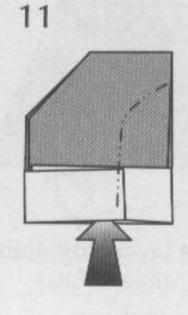




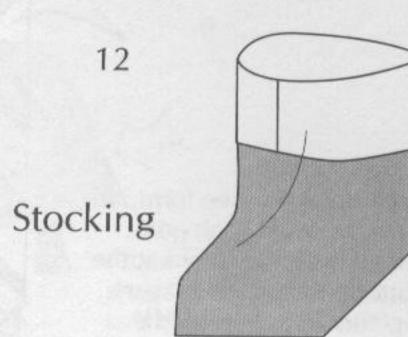
Unfold.



Reverse-fold.

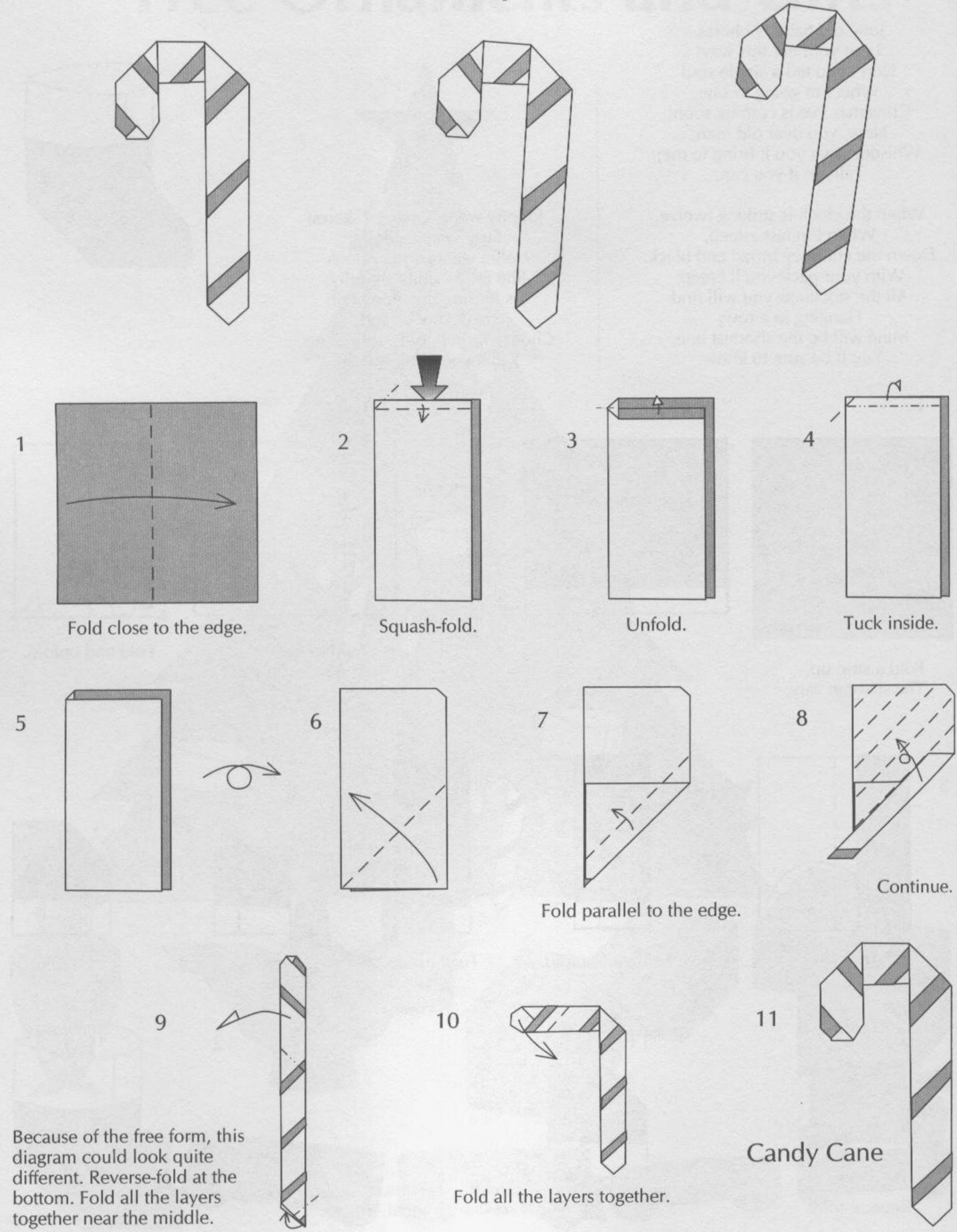


Open to make the stocking three-dimensional. Rotate.



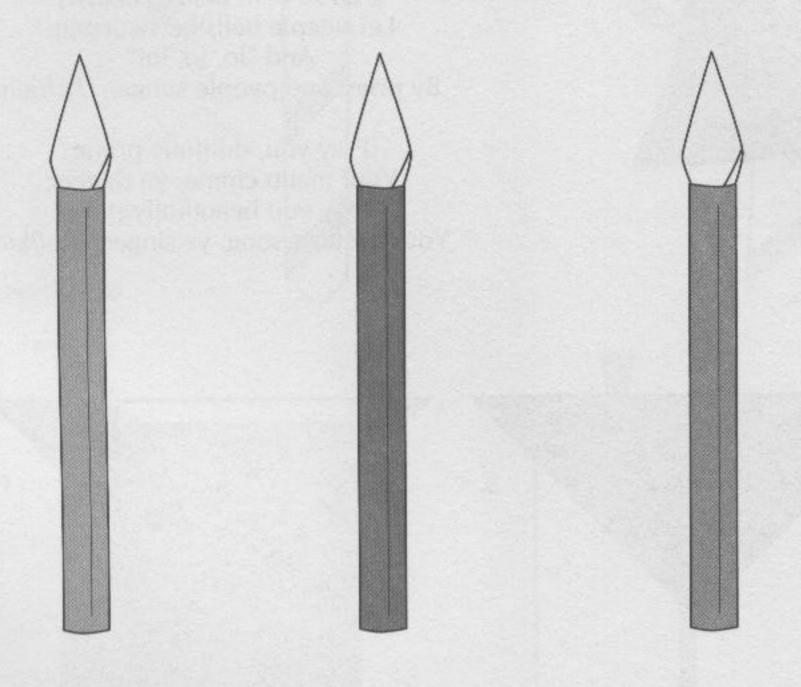
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# **Candy Cane**



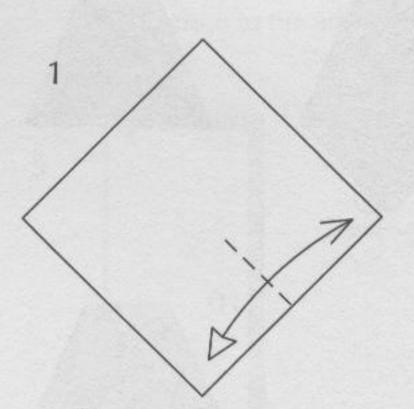
#### Bell Ding dong! merrily on high, In heav'n the bells are ringing: Ding dong! verily the sky 14 Is riv'n with angel singing. Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis! Bell E'en so here below, below, Let steeple bells be swungen, And "lo, io, io!" By priest and people sungen. Refrain Pray you, dutifully prime Your matin chime, ye ringers; May you beautifully rime Your evetime song, ye singers. Refrain 3 Unfold. 5 6 4 9 8 10 Unfold. Reverse folds. Repeat behind. 11 12 13 Open at the bottom and shape the sides to make the Tuck inside. bell three-dimensional. Tuck into the lowest layer.

#### Candle

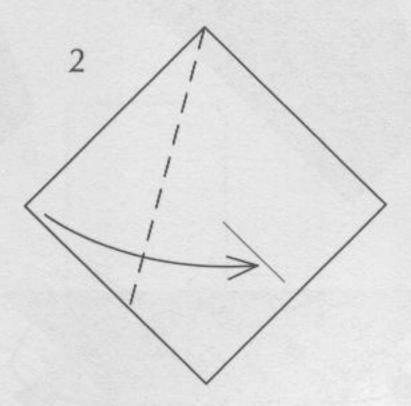


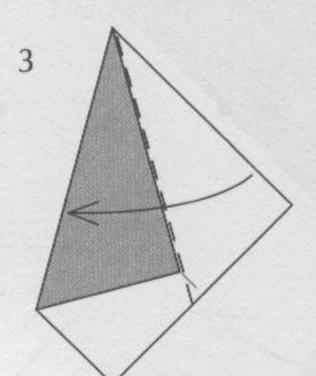
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, Thy candles shine out brightly! Each bough doth hold its tiny light, That makes each toy to sparkle bright.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree, Thy candles shine out brightly!

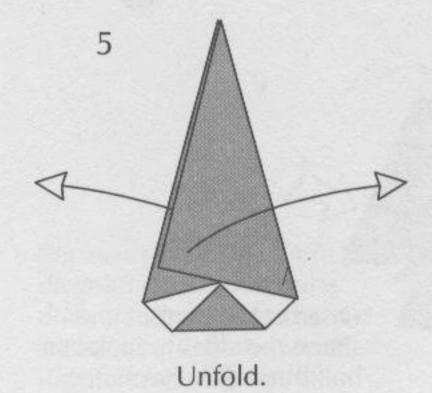


Fold and unfold.



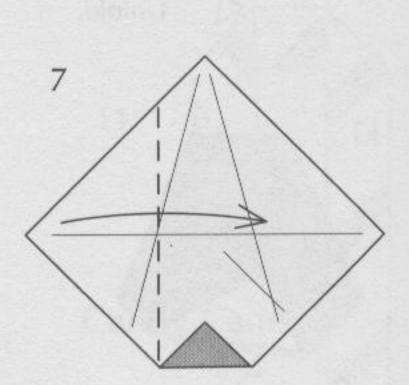


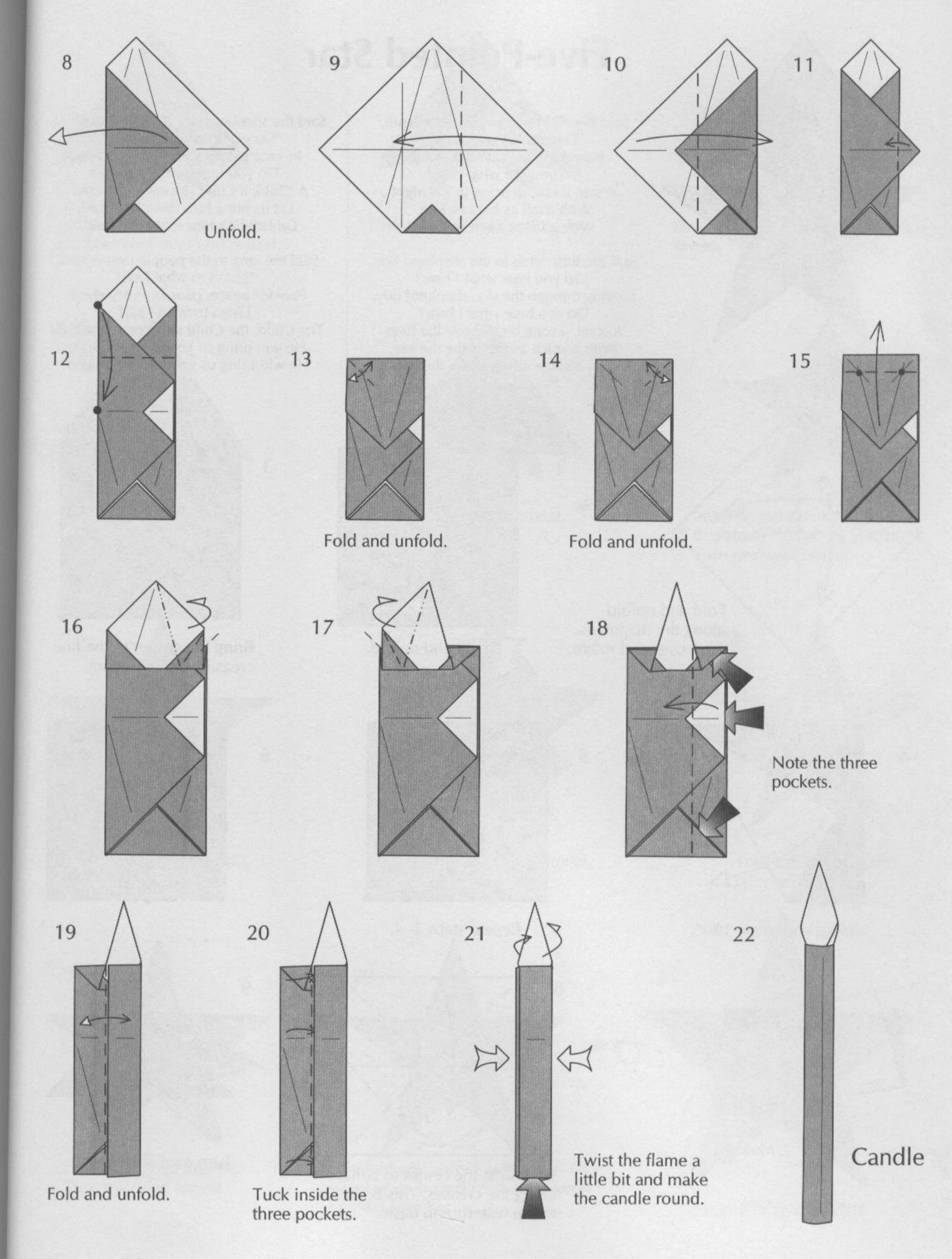
Fold the corner to the line.



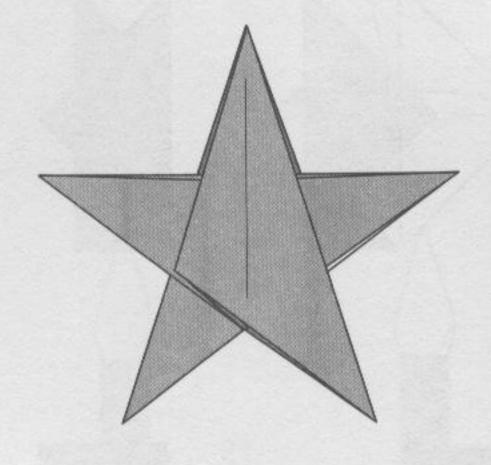
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Fold and unfold.





#### **Five-Pointed Star**

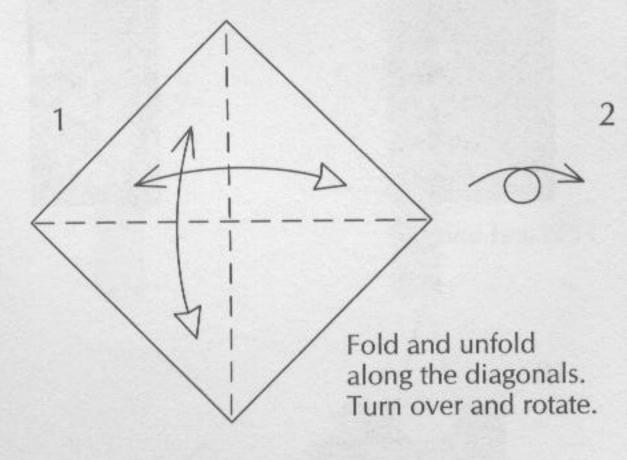


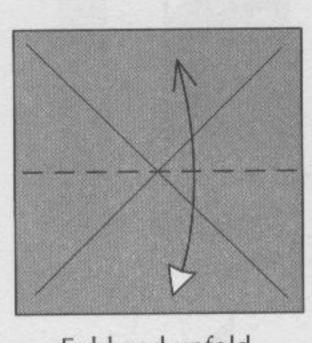
Said the night wind to the little lamb, "Do you see what I see? Way up in the sky, little lamb, Do you see what I see? A star, a star, dancing in the night With a tail as big as a kite, With a tail as big as a kite."

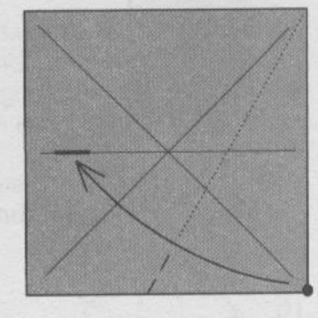
Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy, "Do you hear what I hear? Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy, Do you hear what I hear? A song, a song high above the trees With a voice as big as the the sea, With a voice as big as the the sea."

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king, "Do you know what I know? In your palace warm, mighty king, Do you know what I know? A Child, a Child shivers in the cold-Let us bring him silver and gold, Let us bring him silver and gold."

Said the king to the people everywhere, "Listen to what I say! Pray for peace, people, everywhere, Listen to what I say! The Child, the Child sleeping in the night He will bring us goodness and light, He will bring us goodness and light."



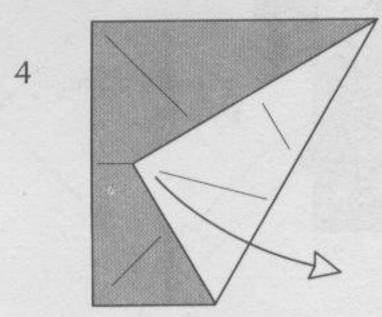




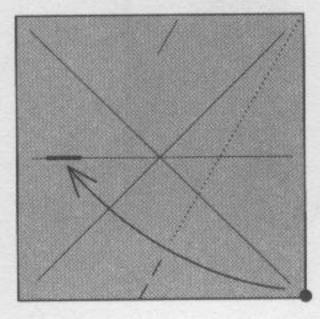
Fold and unfold.

Bring the corner to the line creasing at the bottom.

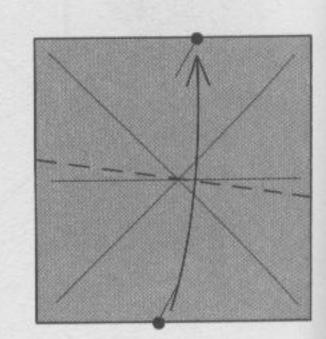
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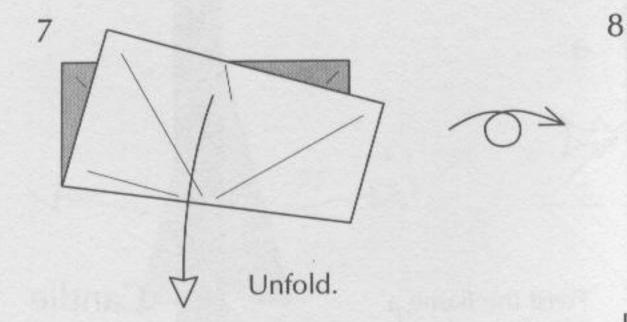


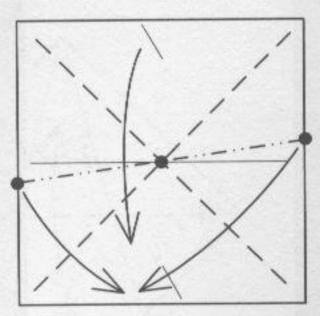
Unfold and rotate 180°.



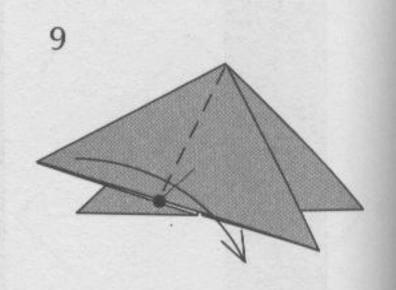
Repeat steps 3-4.



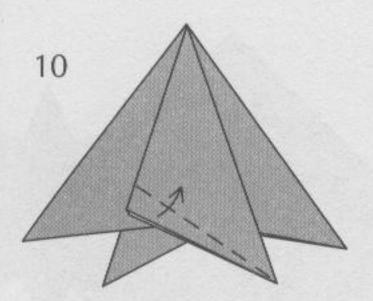




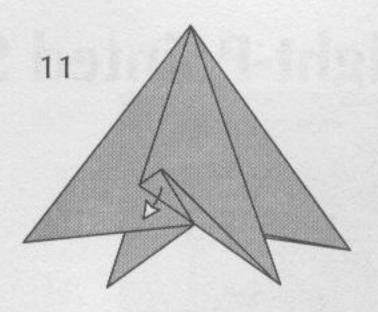
Push in at the center to collapse along the creases. This is similar to the waterbomb base.



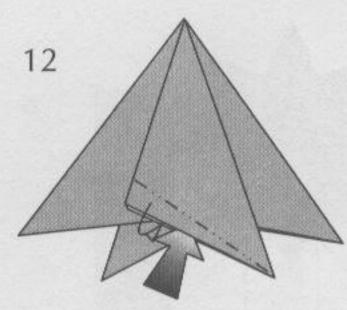
Turn over and repeat.



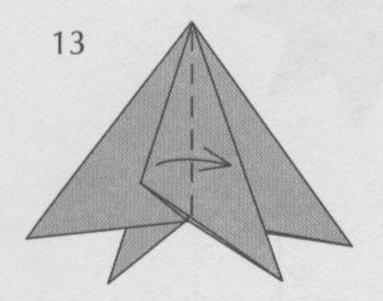
Fold the thin strip up as high as possible. Turn over and repeat.



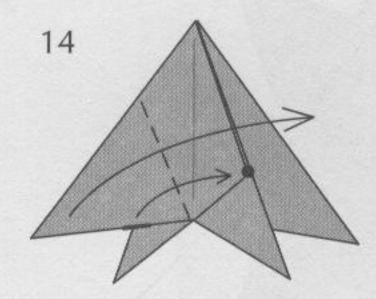
Unfold. Turn over and repeat.



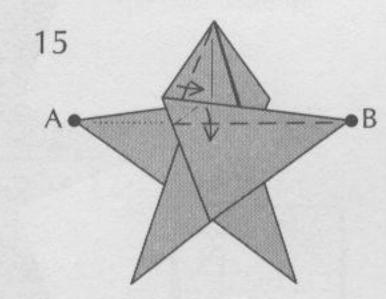
Sink by tucking between the white layers. Turn over and repeat.



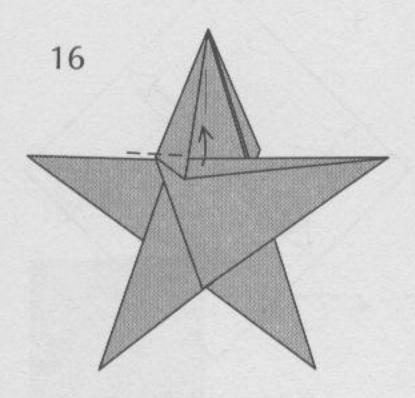
Turn over and repeat.



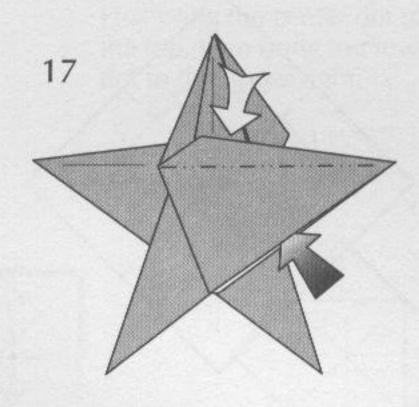
Turn over and repeat.



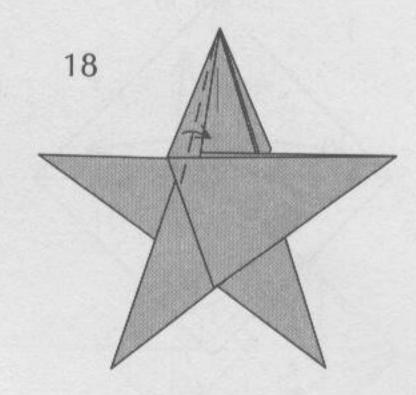
Imagine the line between A and B. Squash-fold along that line. Turn over and repeat.



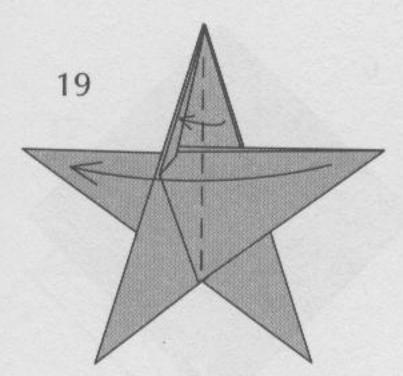
Turn over and repeat.



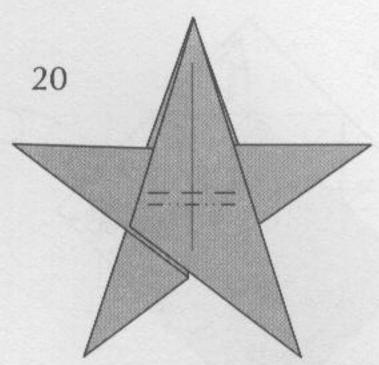
Sink. Turn over and repeat.



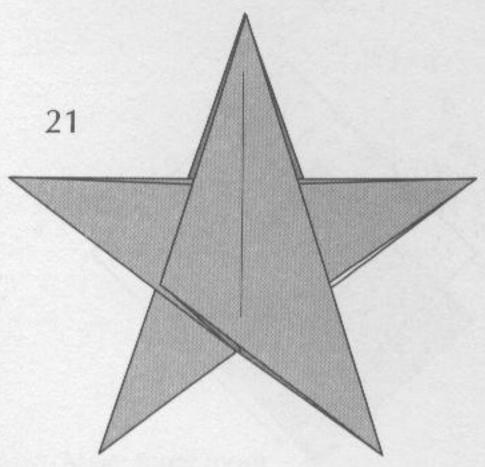
Fold a thin strip. Turn over and repeat.



Fold two layers together. Turn over and repeat.

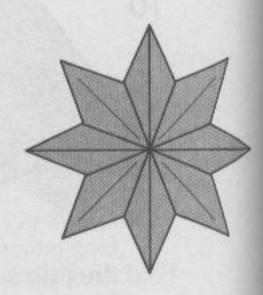


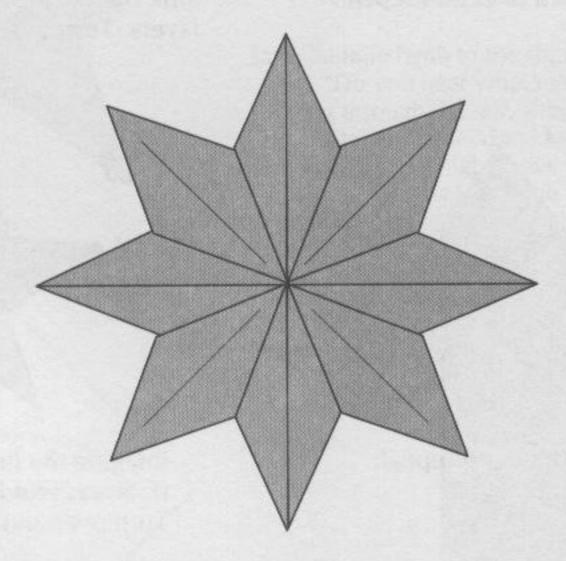
Lightly fold and unfold, without making any crease, in both directions to keep the model together.

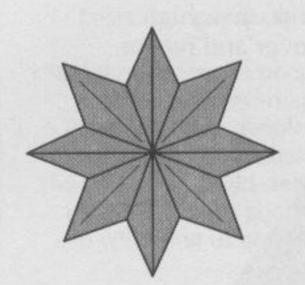


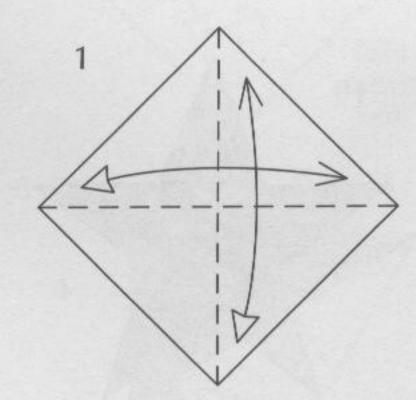
**Five-Pointed Star** 

# **Eight-Pointed Star**

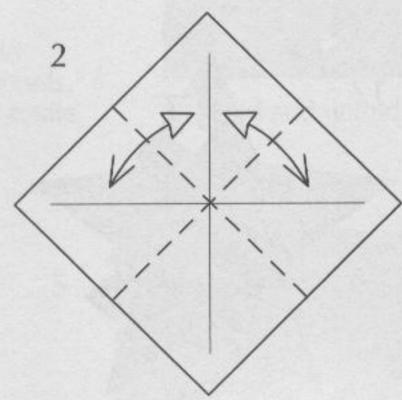




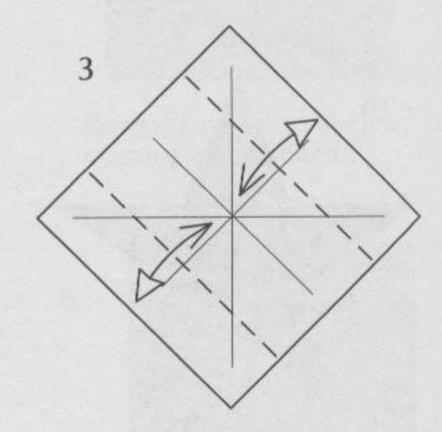




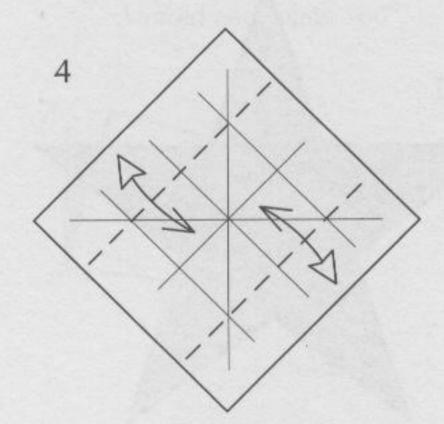
Fold and unfold along the diagonals.



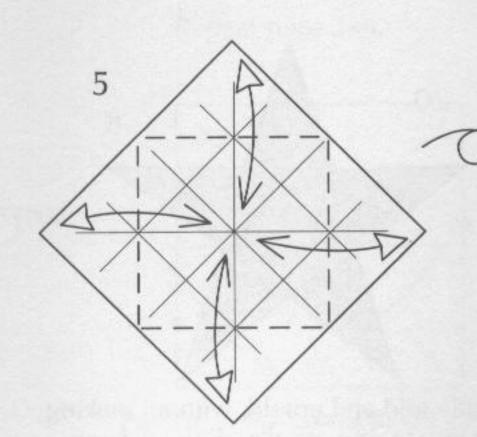
Fold and unfold.



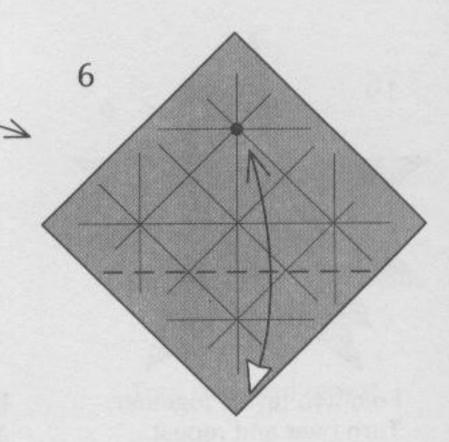
Fold and unfold.



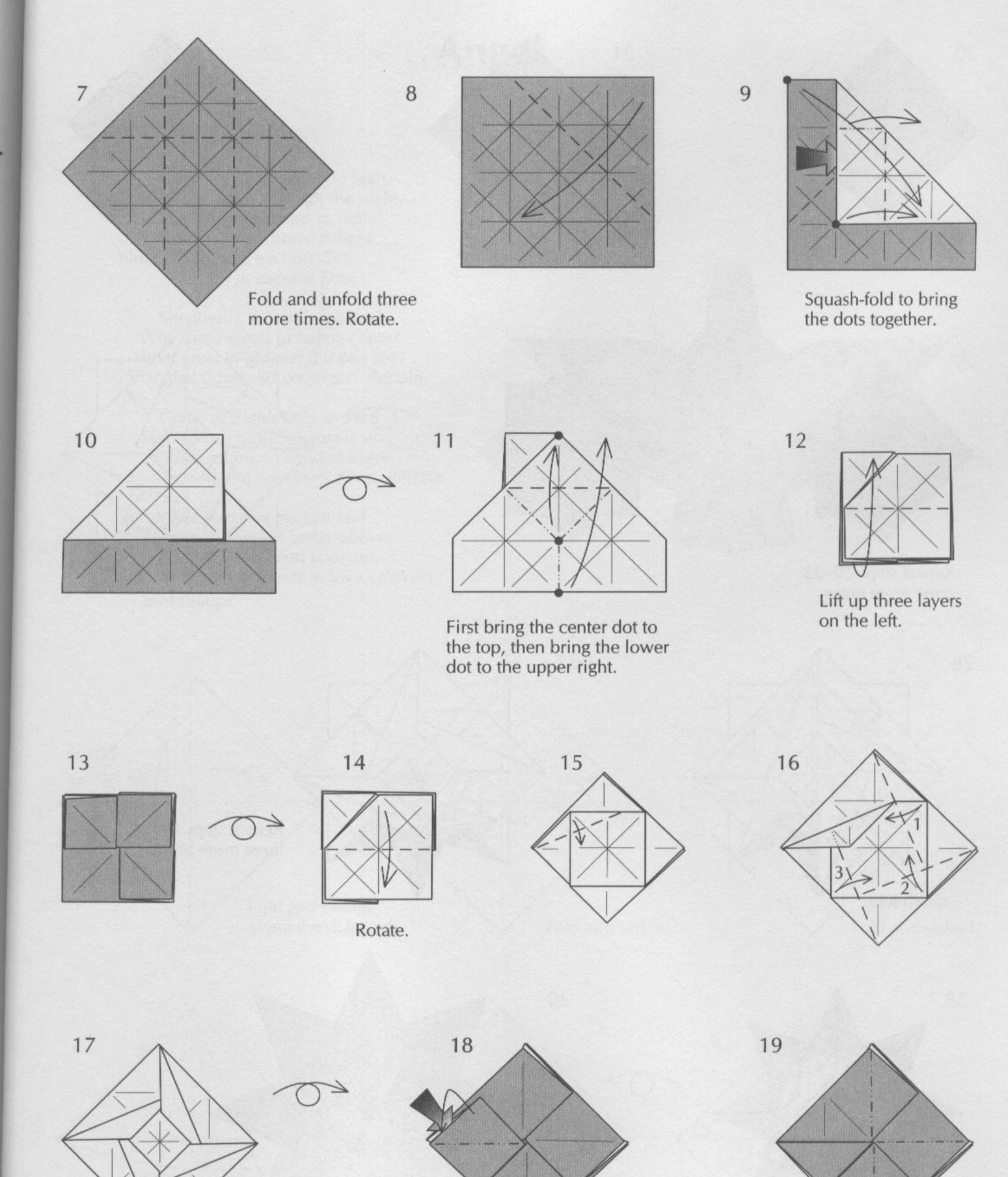
Fold and unfold.



Fold to the center and unfold.



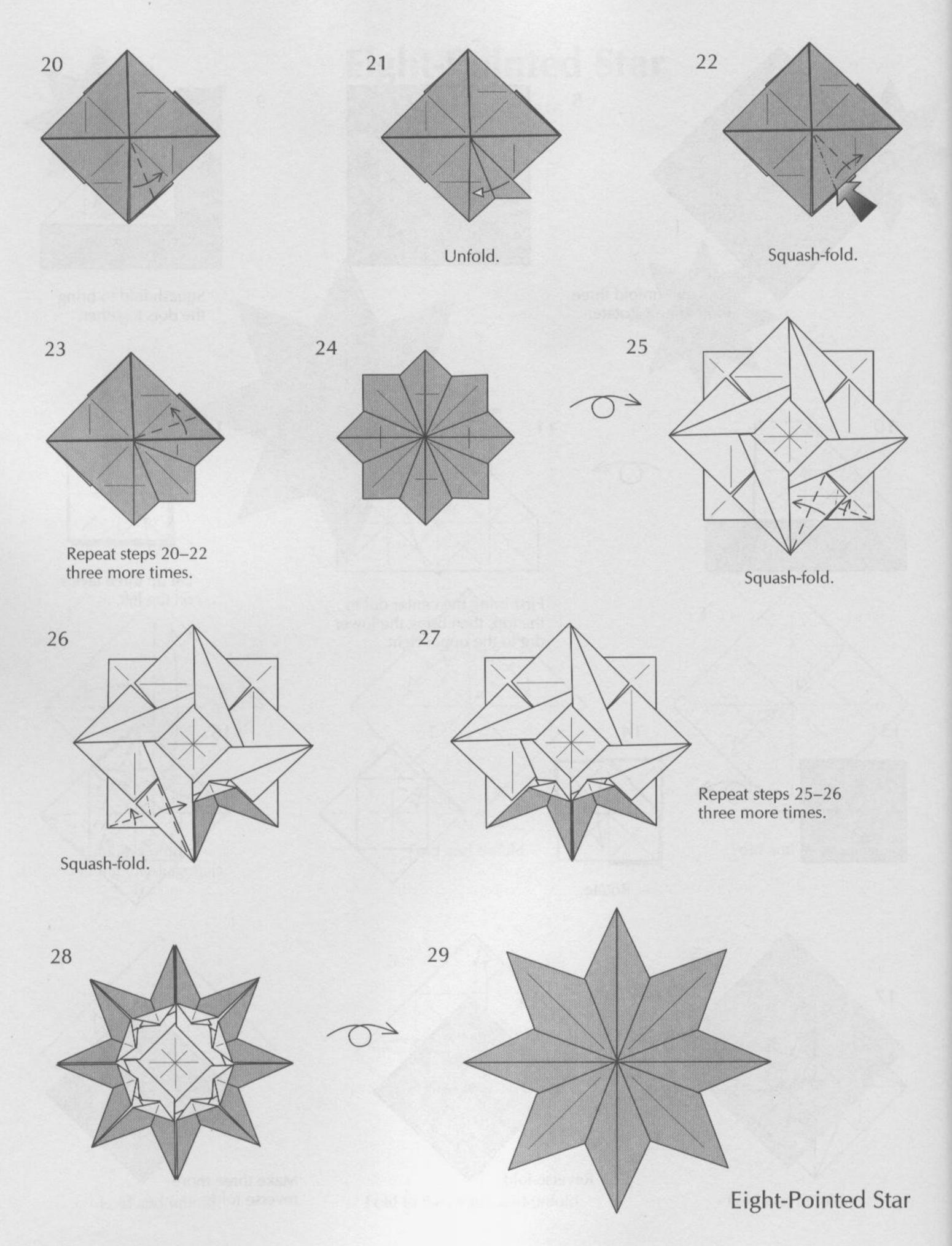
Fold and unfold.



Reverse-fold.

Make three more

reverse folds.



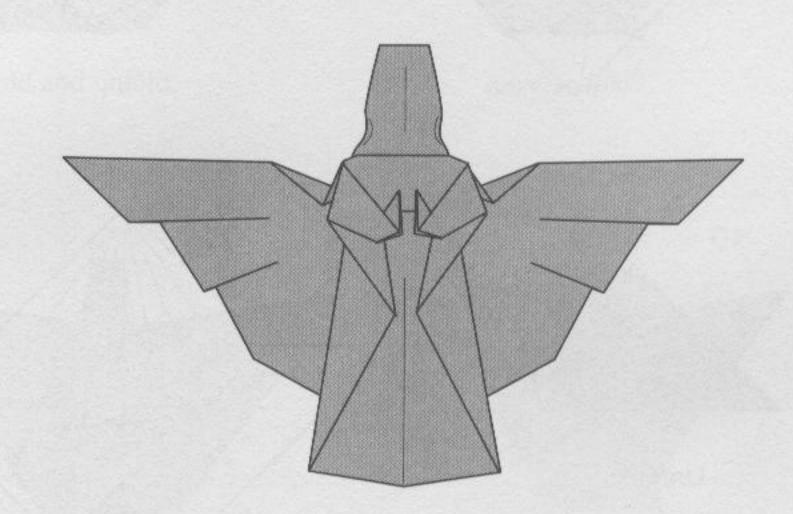
### Angel

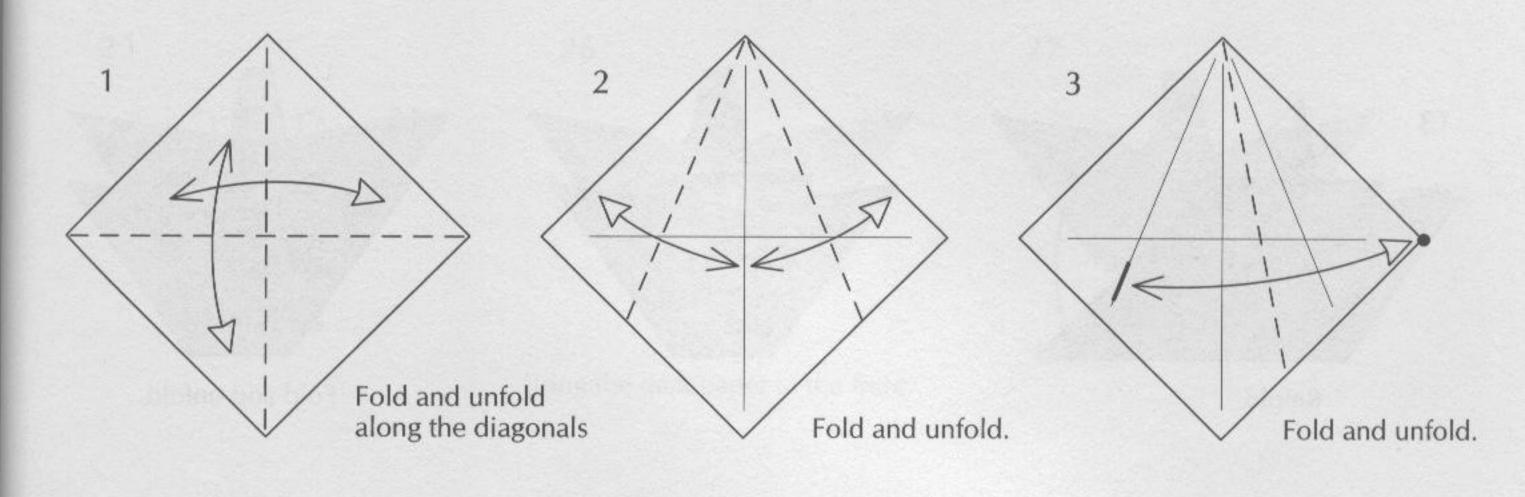
Angels we have heard on high,
Singing sweetly through the night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

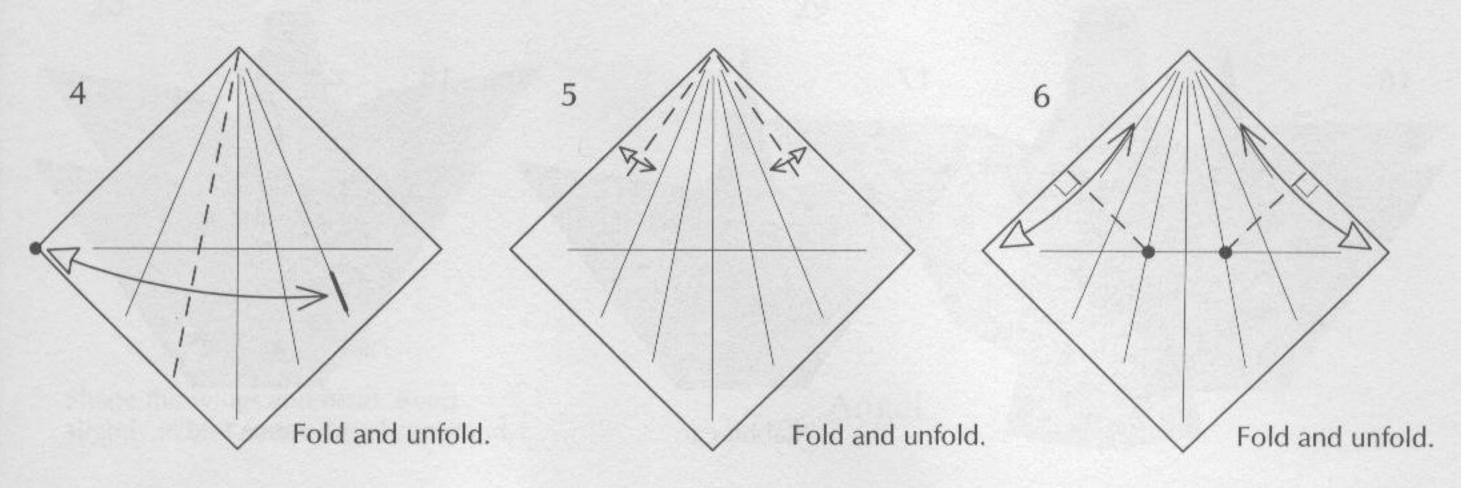
Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tiding did you hear? Refrain

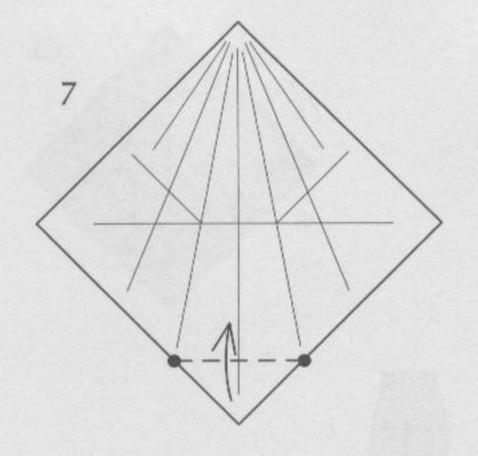
Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the new-born King. Refrain

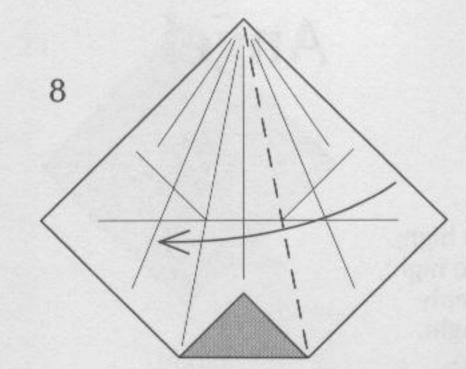
See him in a manger laid
Whom the angels praise above;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in love. Refrain

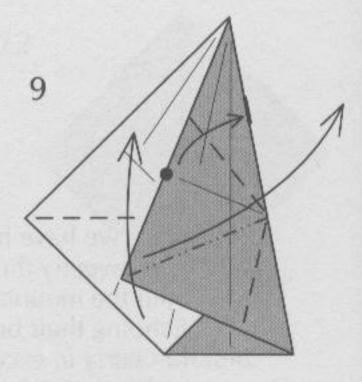




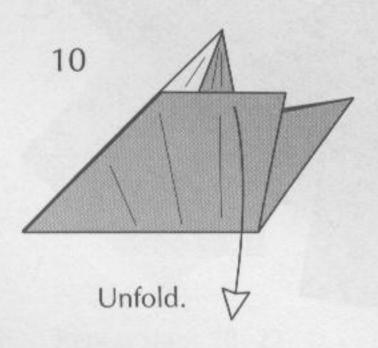


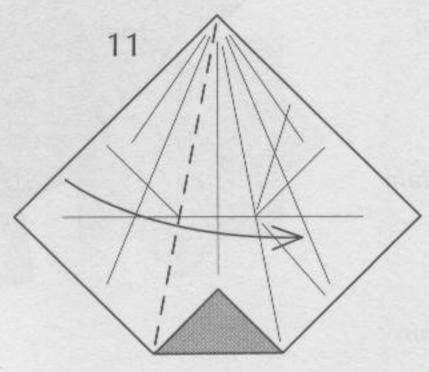


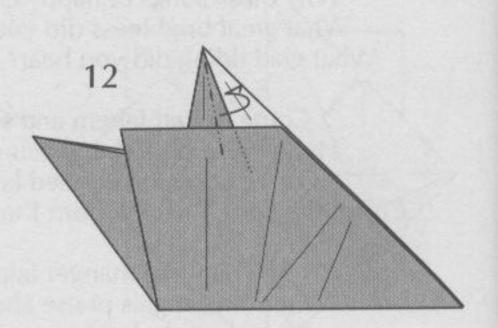




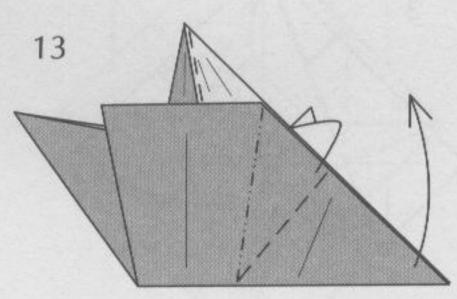
First bring the dot to the edge, then continue folding up.



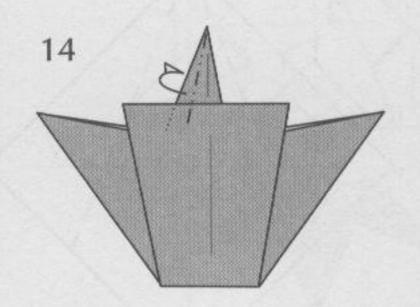




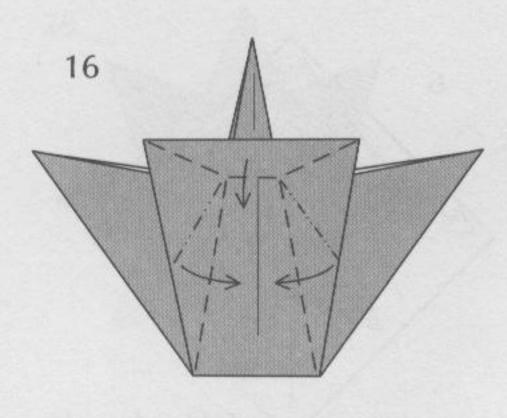
Repeat steps 8-9 on the left.

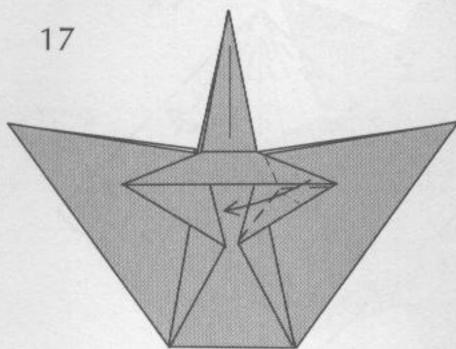




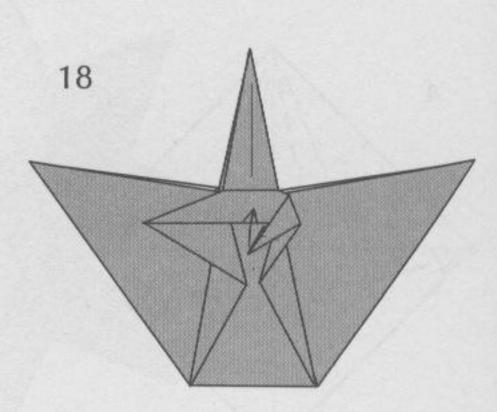


Fold and unfold.

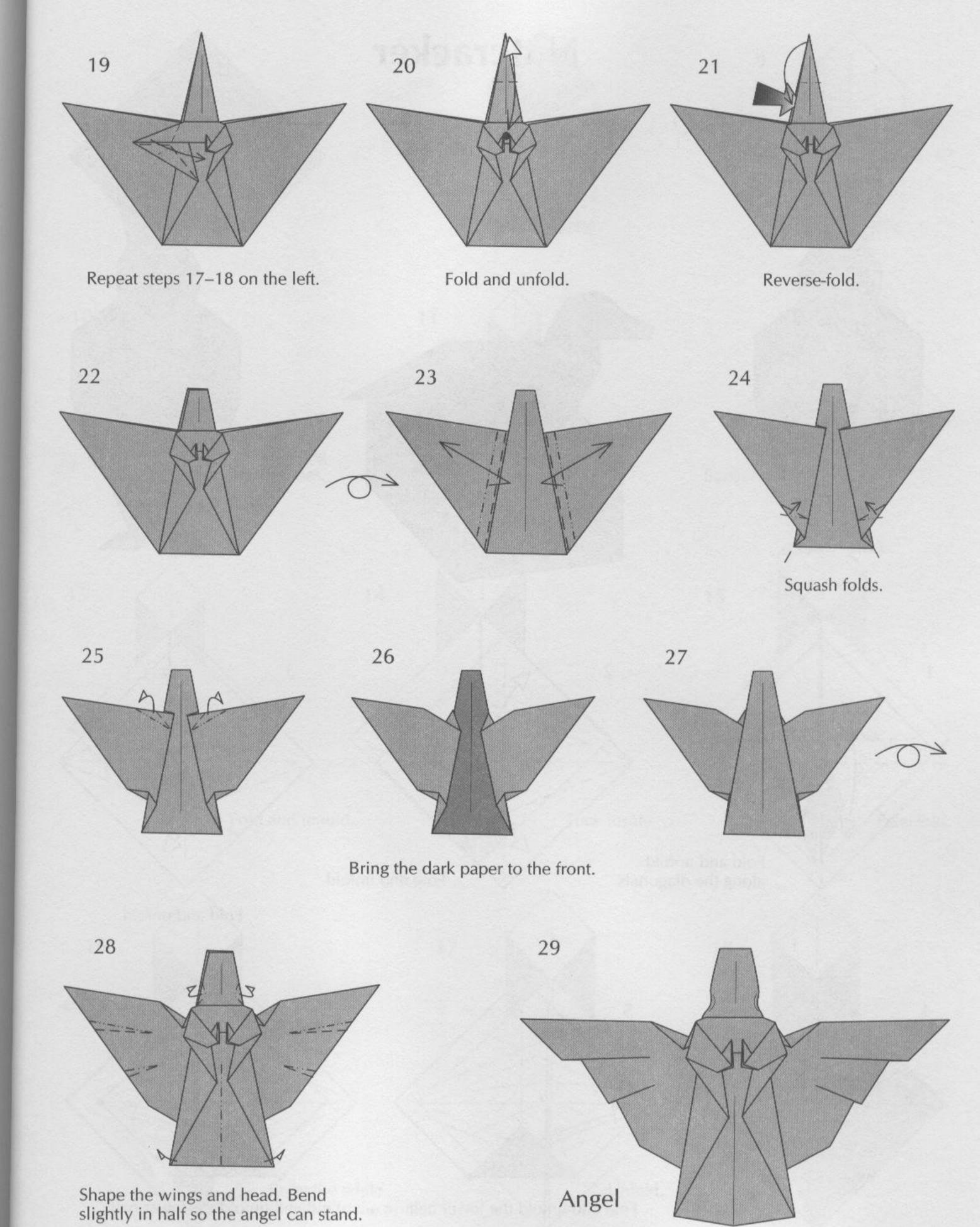




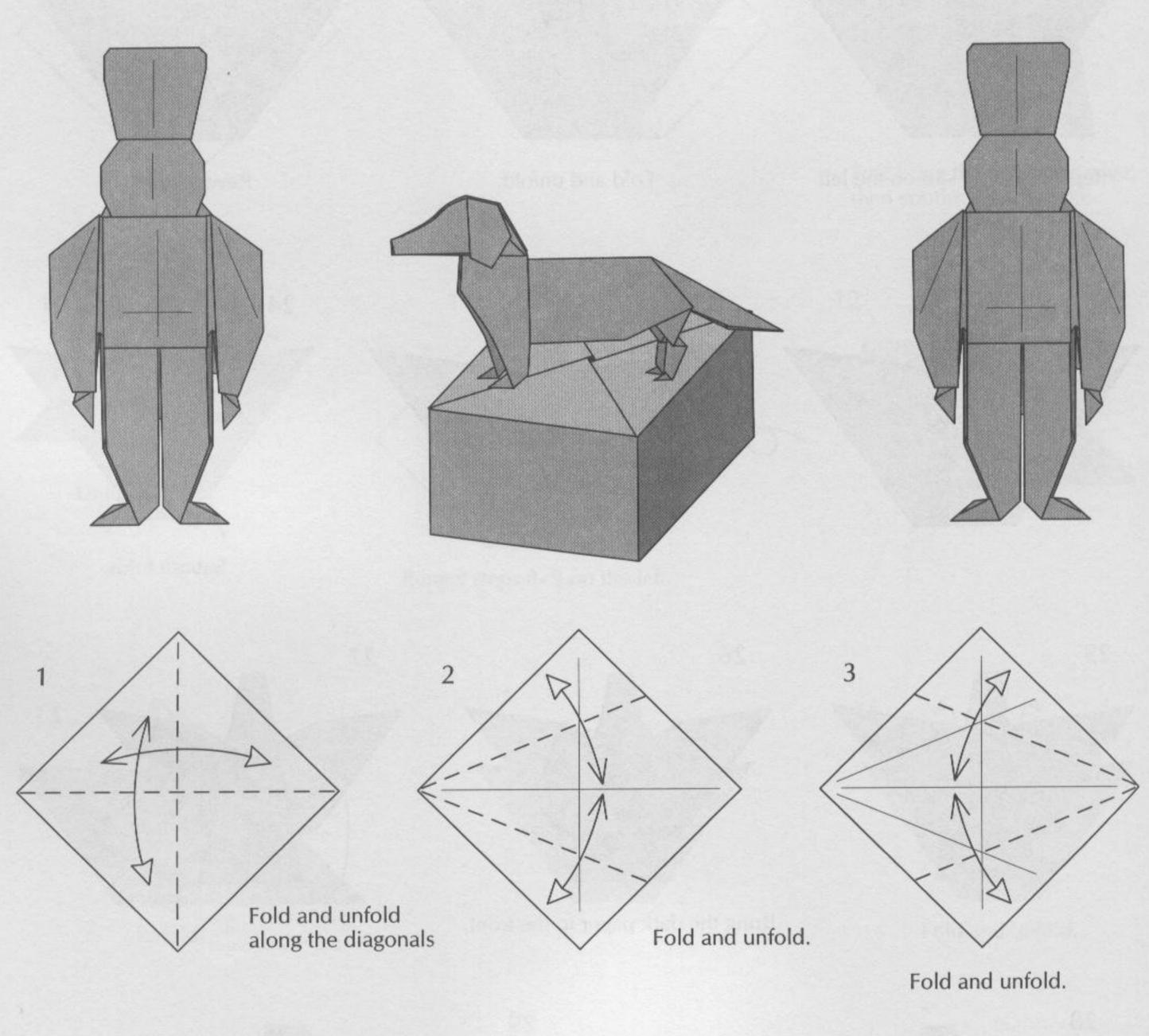
Rabbit-ear.

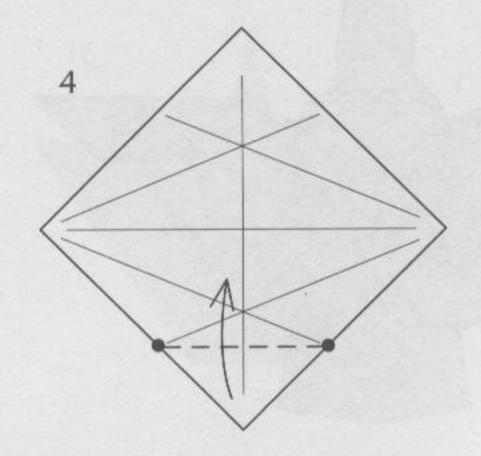


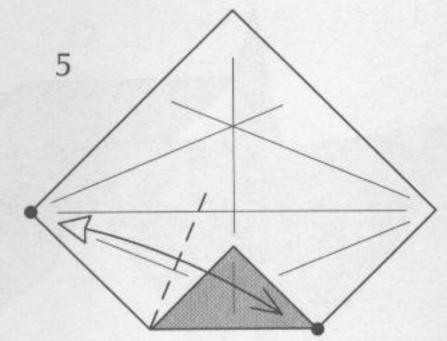
Reverse-fold.



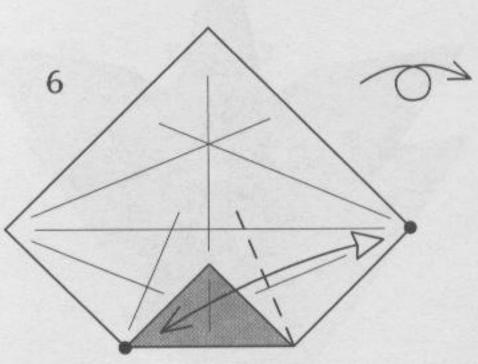
### Nutcracker



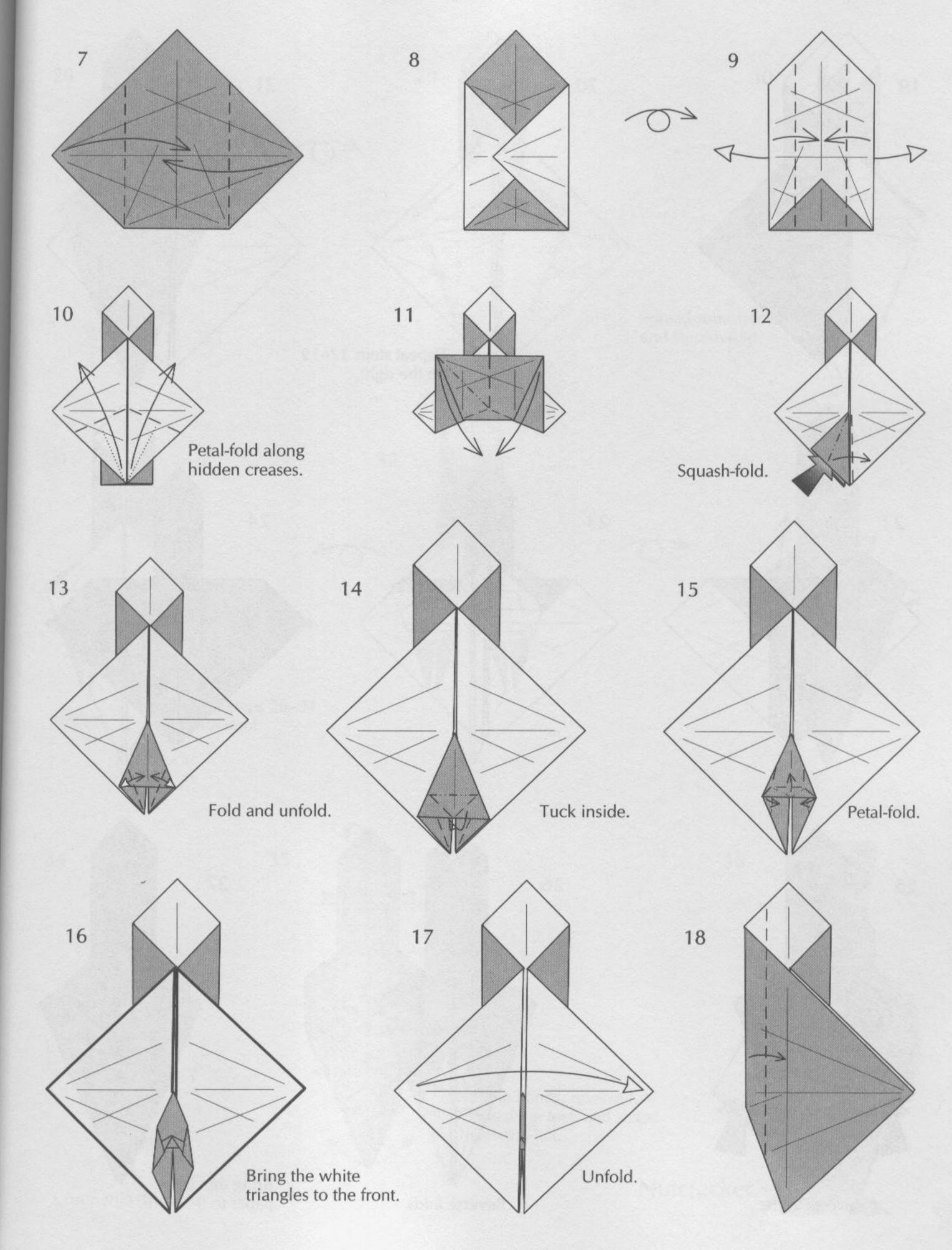


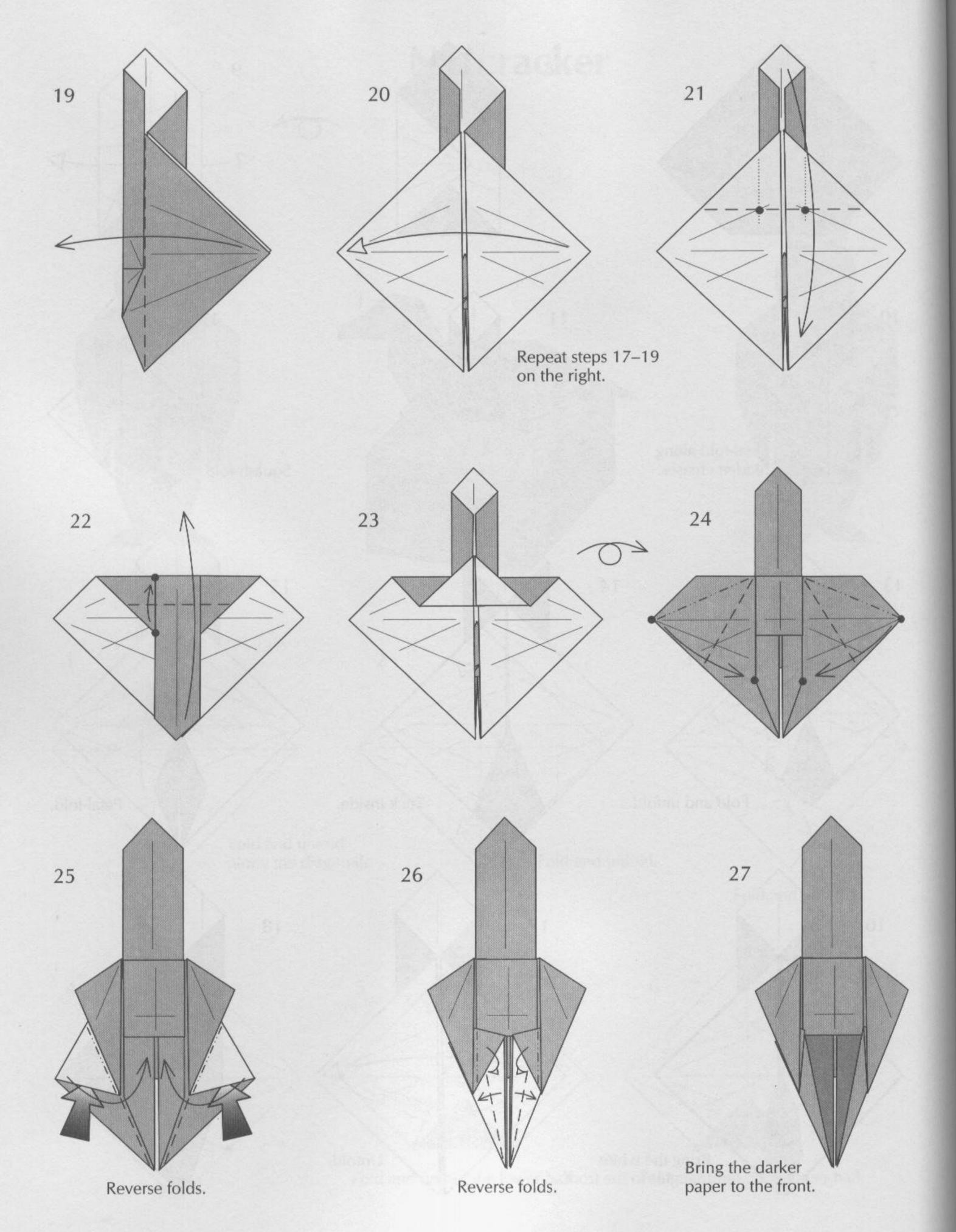


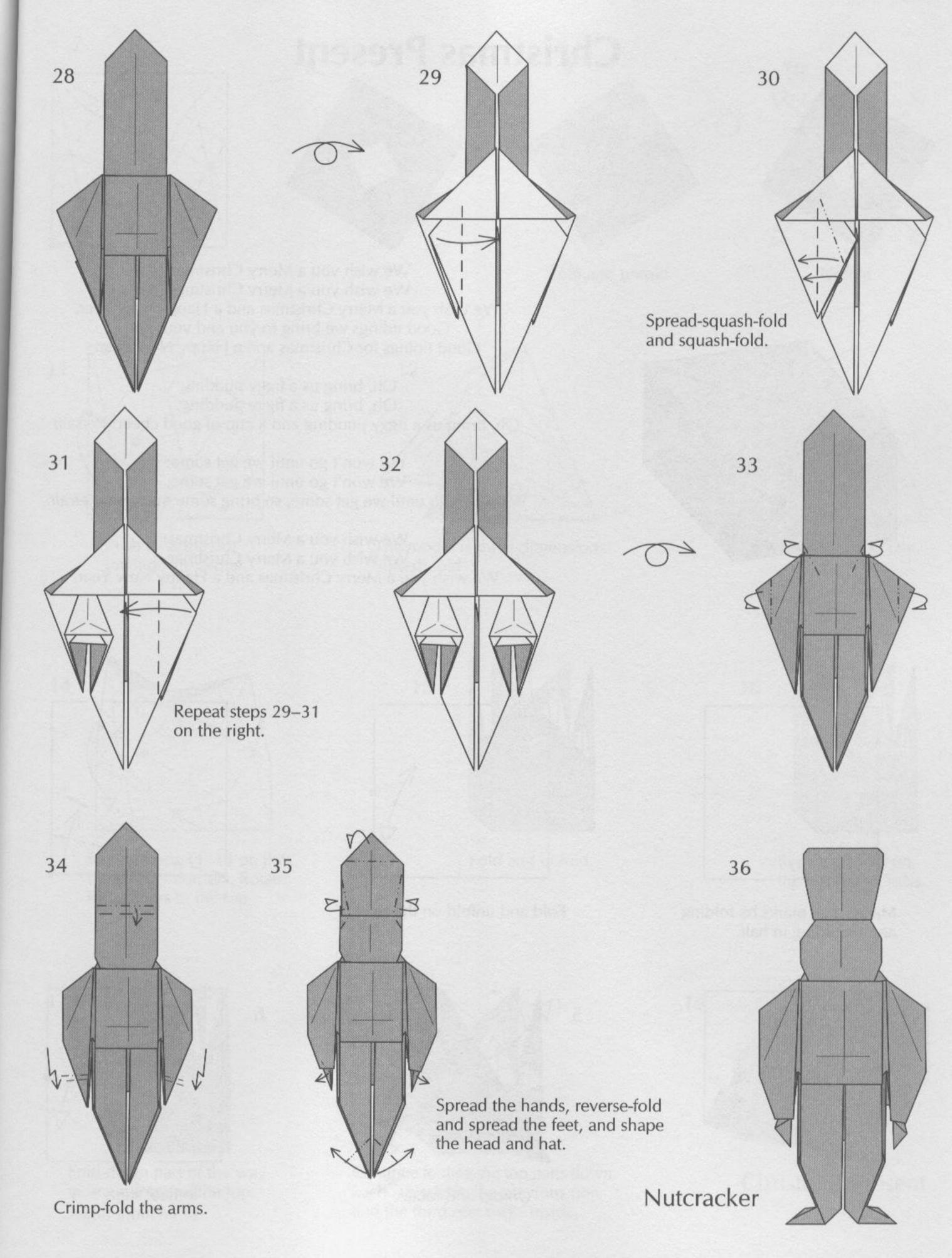
Fold and unfold the lower half.



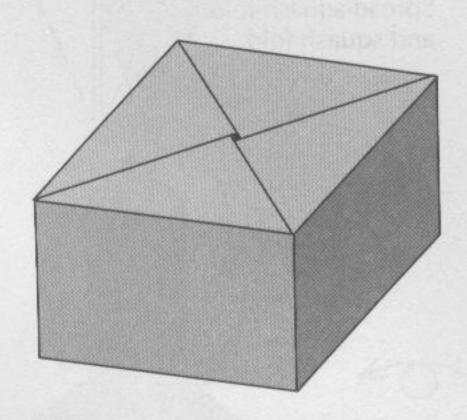
Fold and unfold the lower half.







#### **Christmas Present**

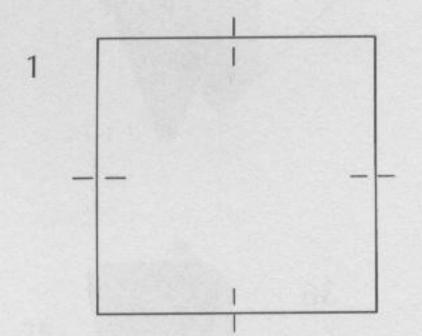


We wish you a Merry Christmas;
We wish you a Merry Christmas;
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin;
Good tidings for Christmas and a Happy New Year.

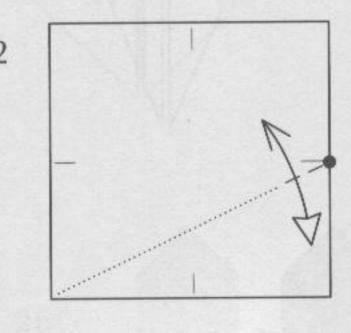
Oh, bring us a figgy pudding;
Oh, bring us a figgy pudding;
Oh, bring us a figgy pudding and a cup of good cheer: Refrain

We won't go until we get some;
We won't go until we get some;
We won't go until we get some out here: Refrain

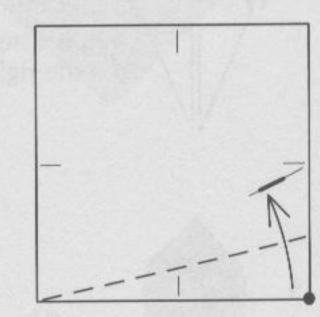
We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

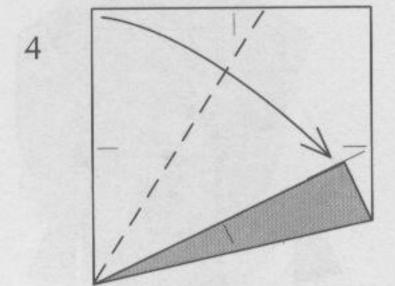


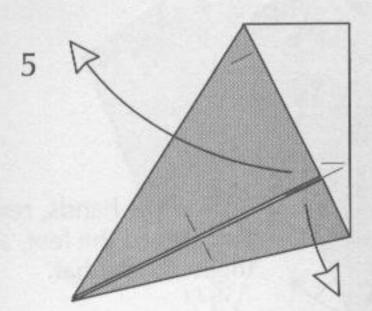
Make small marks by folding and unfolding in half.



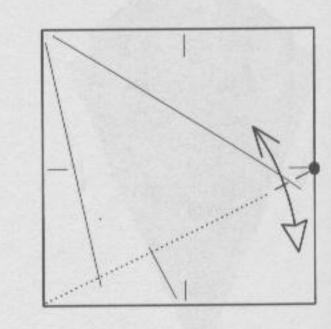
Fold and unfold on the right.



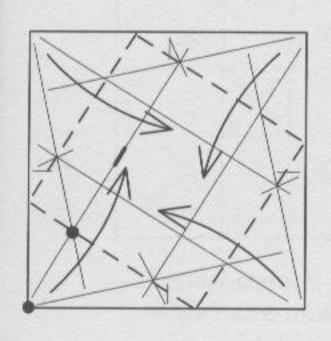


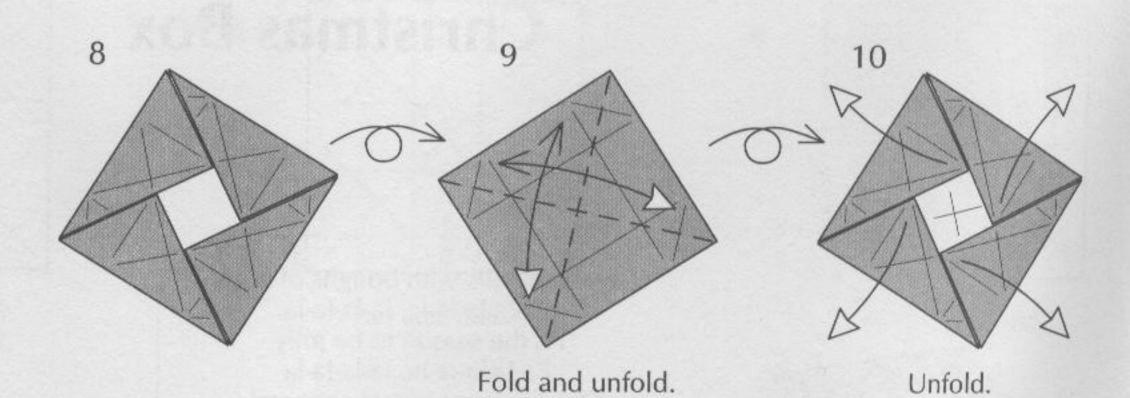


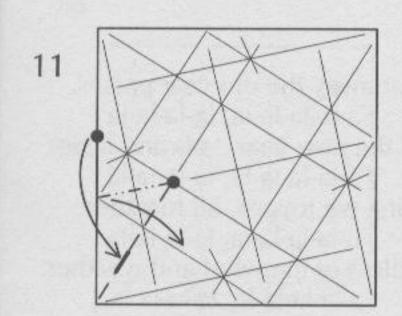
Unfold and rotate.



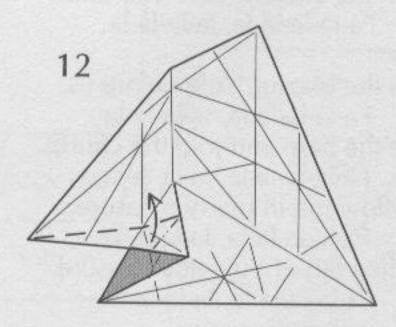
Repeat steps 2–5 three more times.



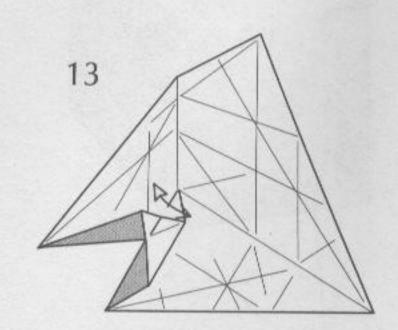




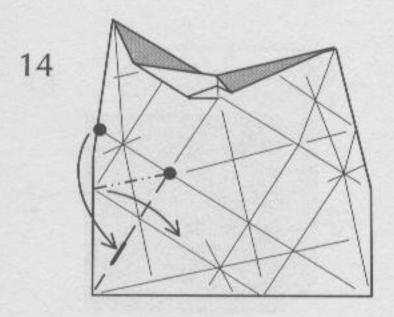
Push in at the dot towards the center.



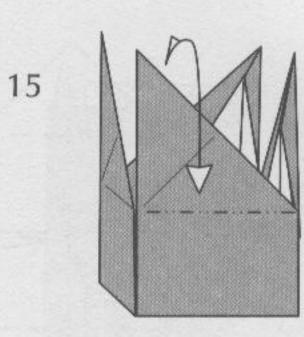
The model is three-dimensional. Squash-fold.



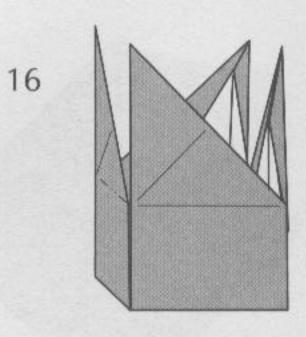
Fold and unfold. Rotate.



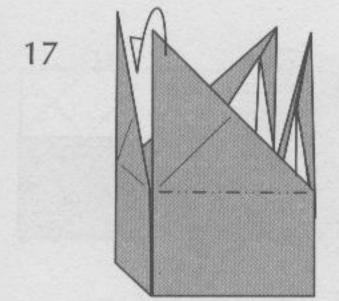
Repeat steps 11-13 on the three other corners. Rotate the corners to the top.



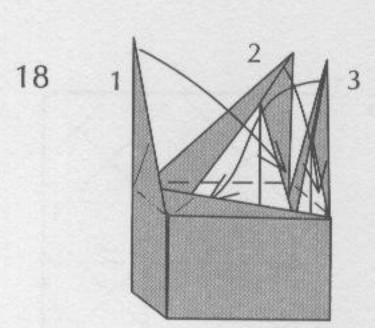
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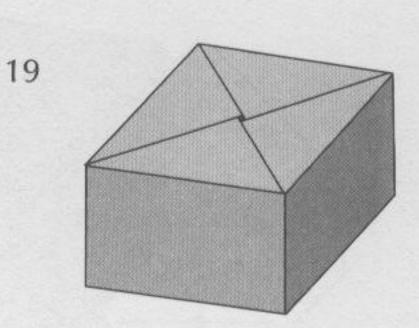
Repeat step 15 on the three other sides.



Fold down part of the way to begin forming the top.

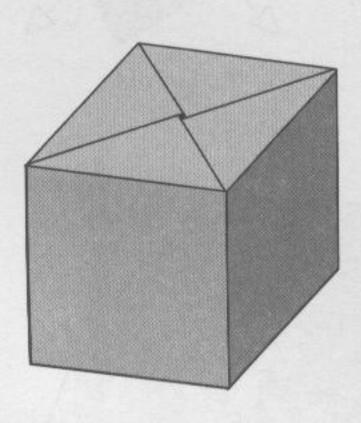


Continue folding the top parts down. Each tab covers the previous one, and the third one tucks inside.



Christmas Present

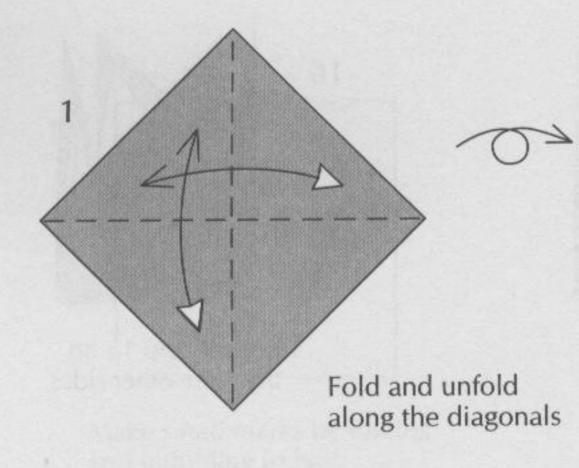
#### **Christmas Box**

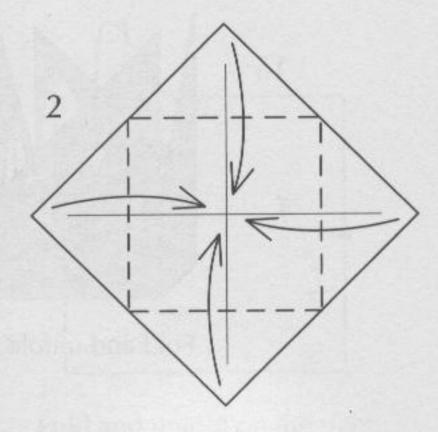


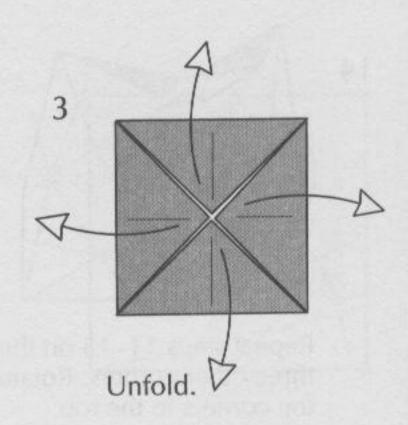
Deck the halls with boughs of holly
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
'Tis the season to be jolly
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
Don we now our gay apparel
Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la.
Troll the ancient Yule-tide carol
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la.

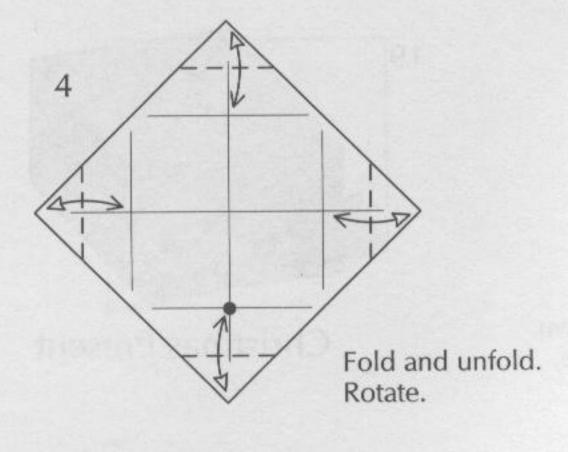
See the blazing Yule before us.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
Strike the harp and join the chorus.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
Follow me in merry measure.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
While I tell of Yule-tide treasure.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la.

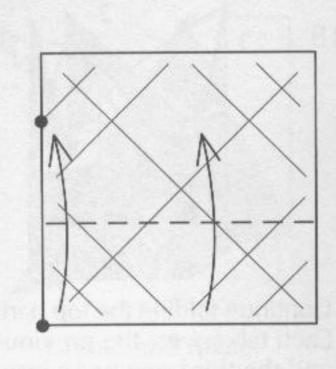
Fast away the old year passes.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
Hail the new year, lads and lasses
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
Sing we joyous, all together.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la
Heedless of the wind and weather.
Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la.

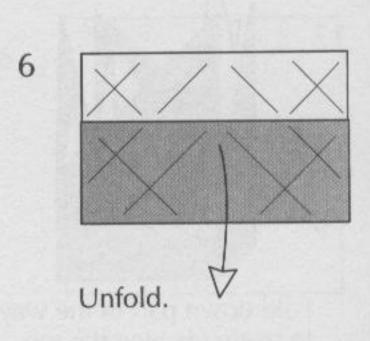


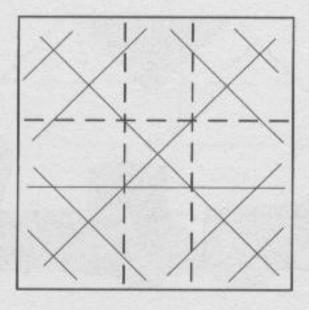




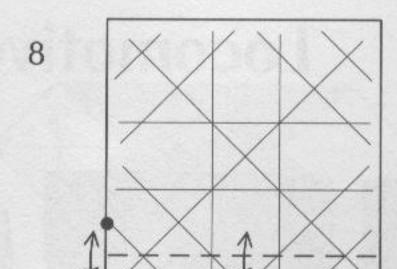




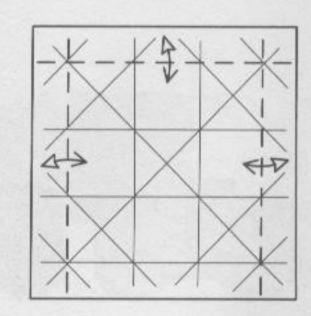




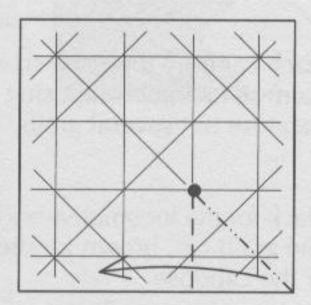
Repeat steps 5-6 three more times.



Fold and unfold.

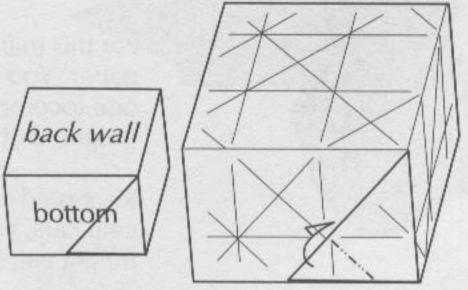


Fold and unfold.



Push in at the dot.

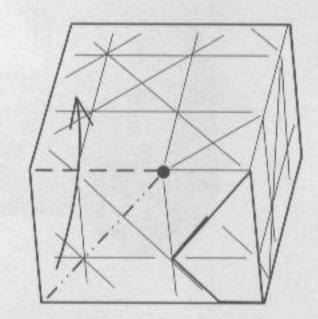
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The small picture shows the orientation of this three-dimensional shape. Fold behind.

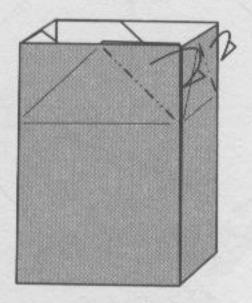
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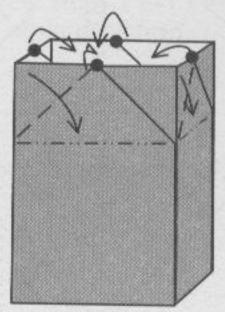
Repeat steps 10-11 three more times. Rotate to view the outside.

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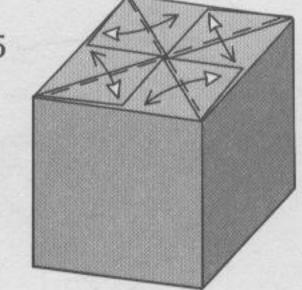
Fold behind four times going around.

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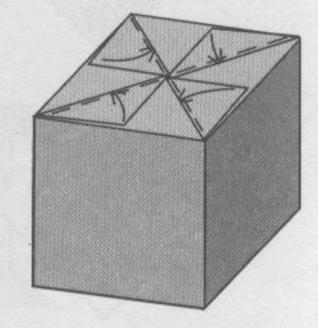
Collapse and flatten at the top. The dots will meet.

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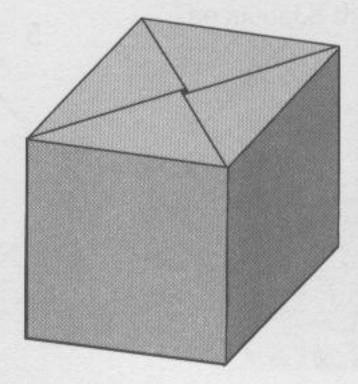


Fold and unfold the four tabs.

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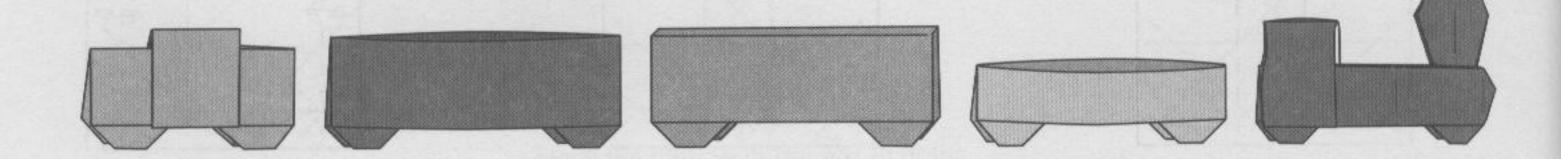


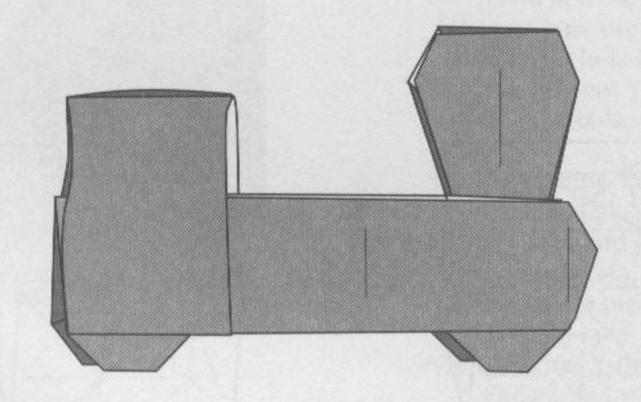
Tuck the tabs inside.



Christmas Box

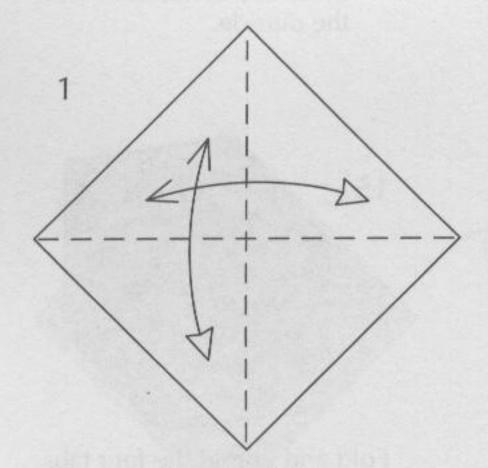
#### Locomotive



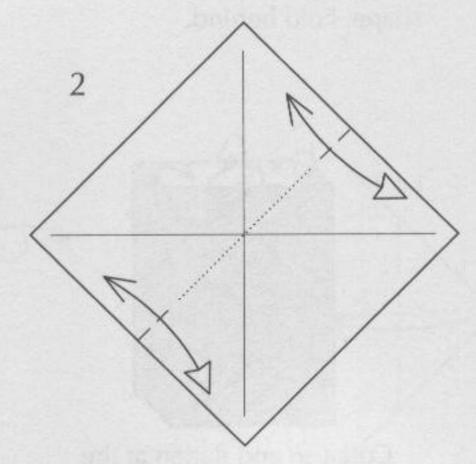


For this train set, fold each car from the same size paper. You can make a much longer train using one locomotive and caboose but several grain, freight, and coal cars.

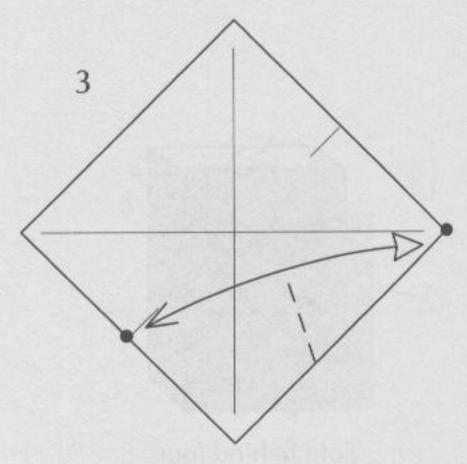
Suggested colors are black for the locomotive and coal cars, yellow for the grain car, brown for the freight car, and red for the caboose.



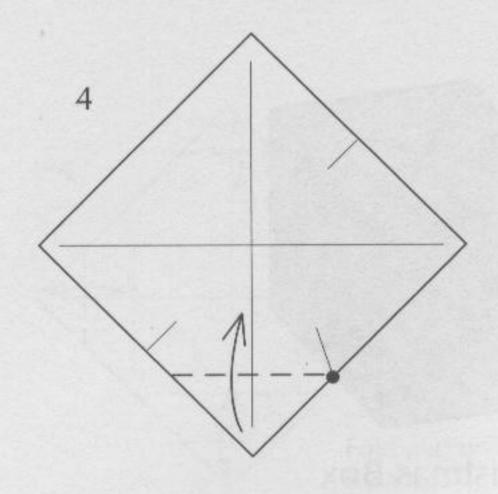
Fold and unfold along the diagonals.



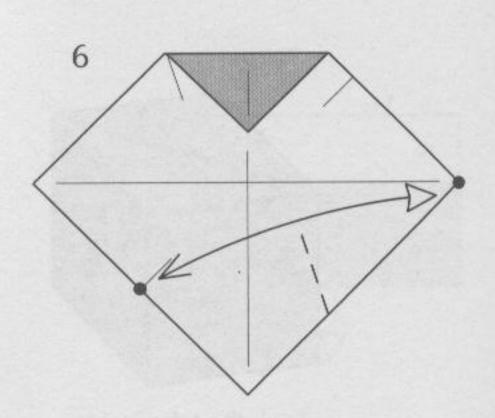
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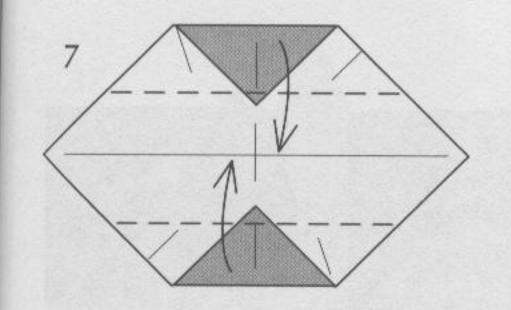
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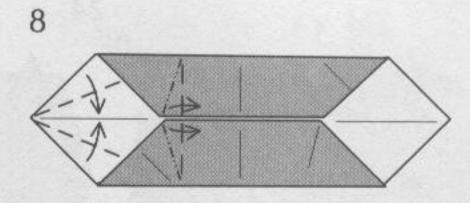


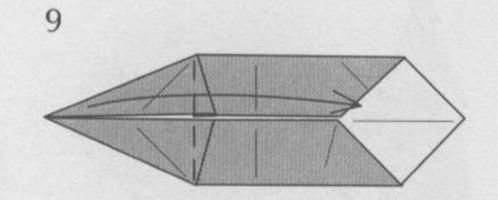
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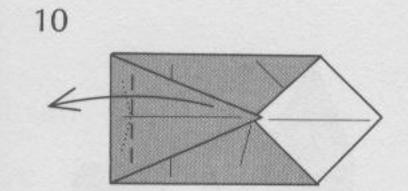
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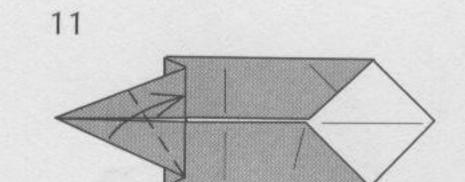


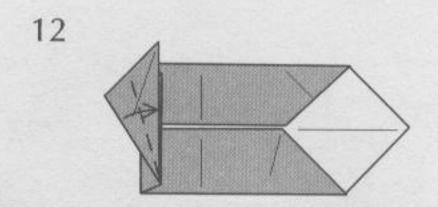


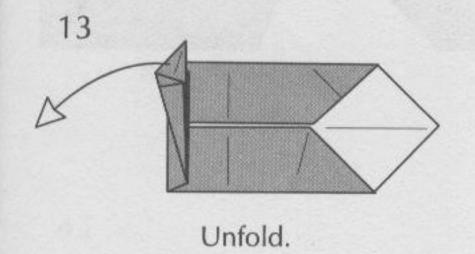


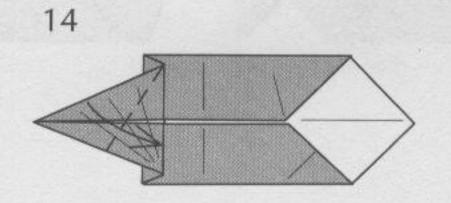
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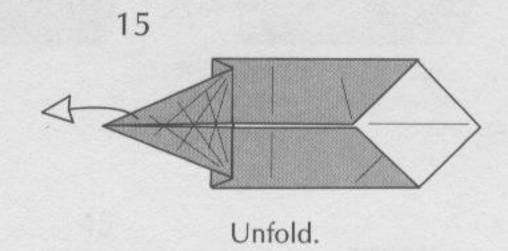


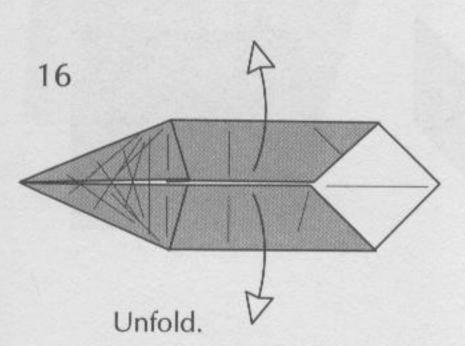


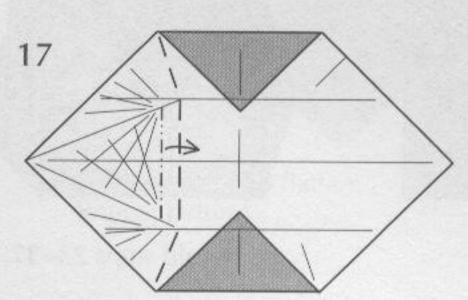


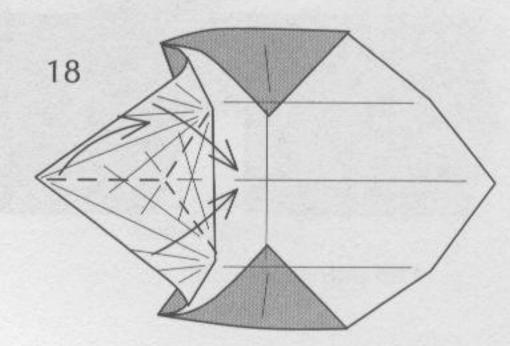


Repeat steps 11–13 in the other direction.

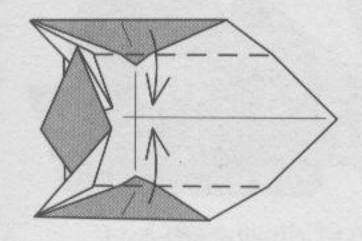




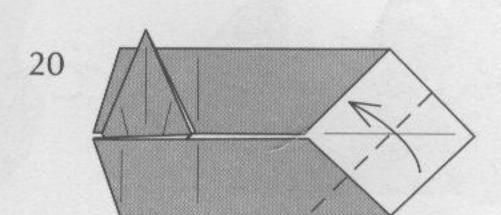


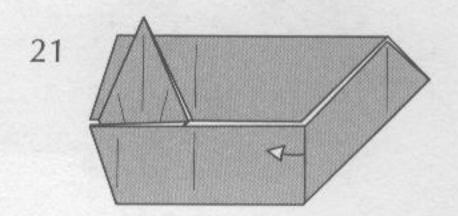


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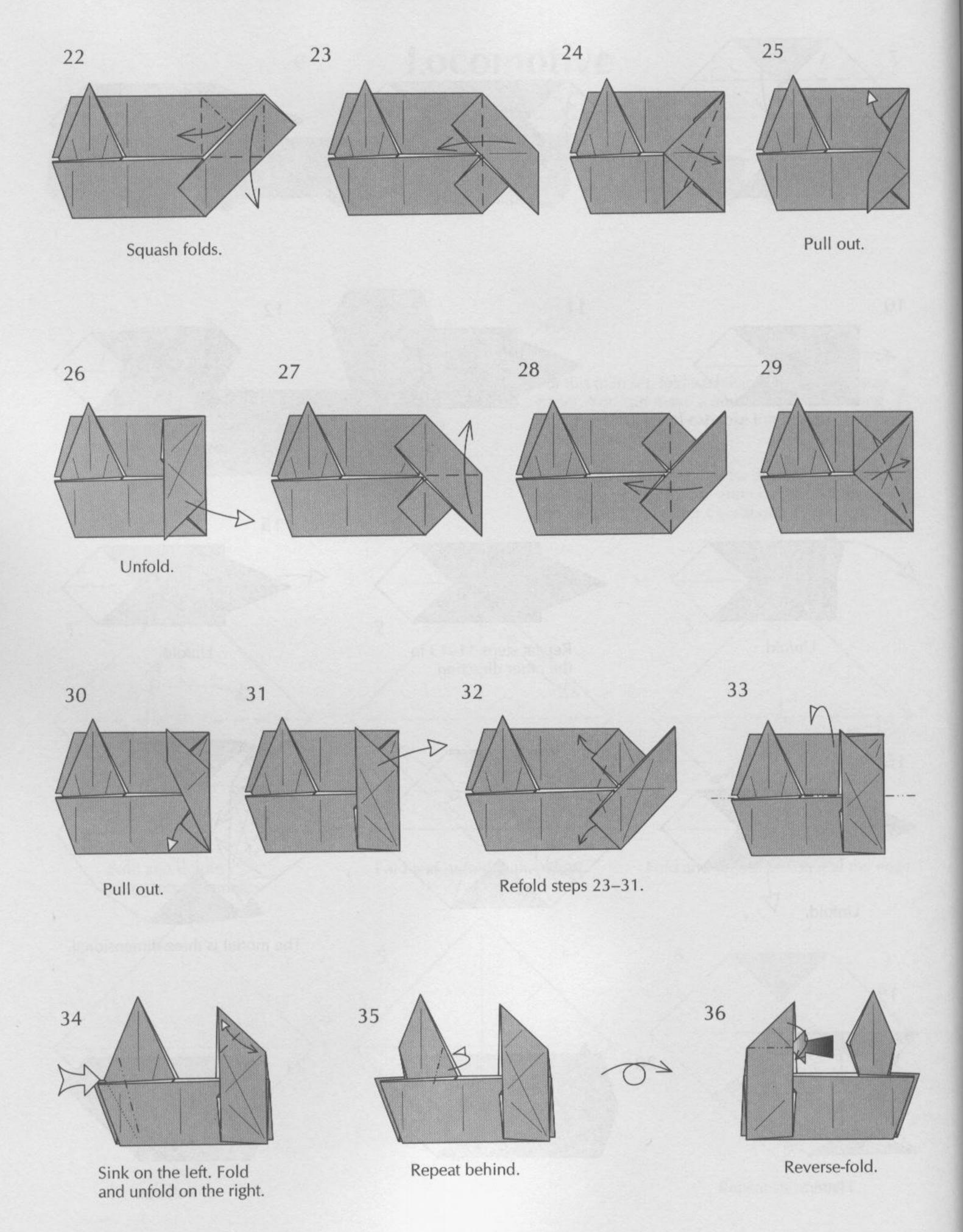


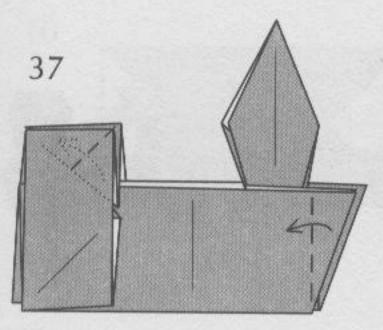
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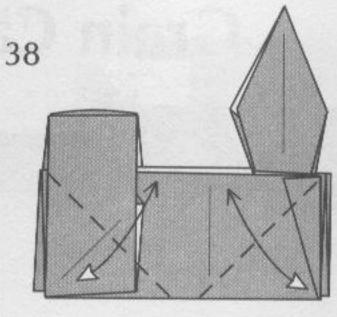


Pull out.

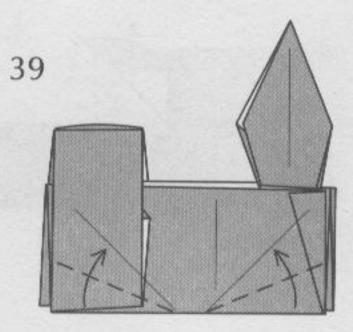




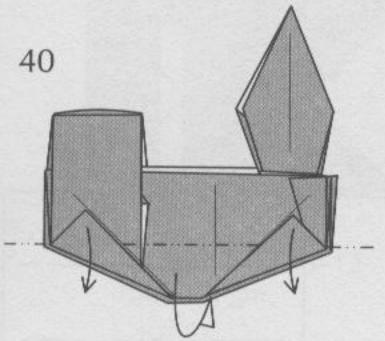
Fold both layers of the inside flap together. Repeat behind on the right.



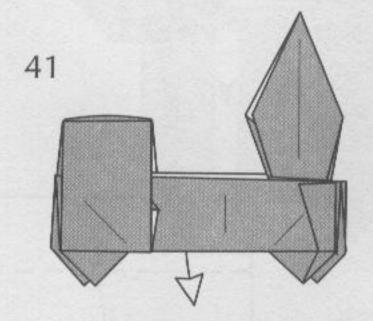
Fold and unfold creasing lightly.



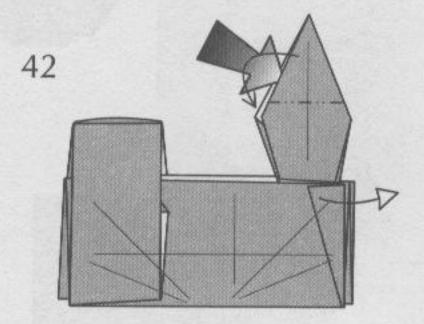
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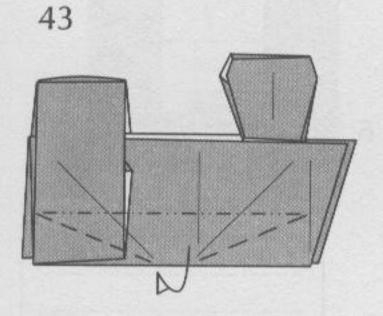
Repeat behind.



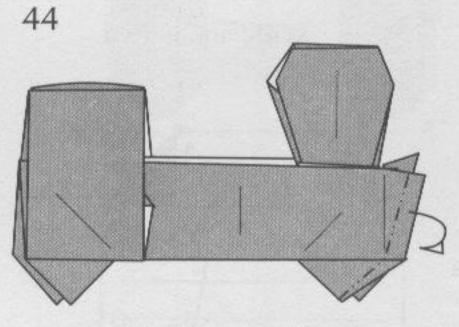
Unfold. Repeat behind.



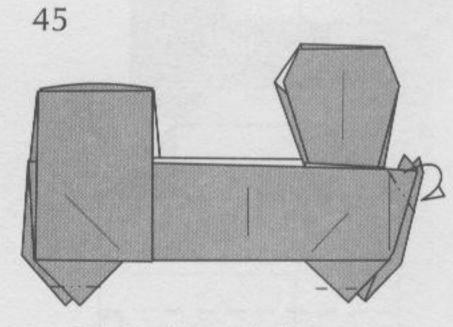
Reverse-fold at the top. Unfold on the right and repeat behind.



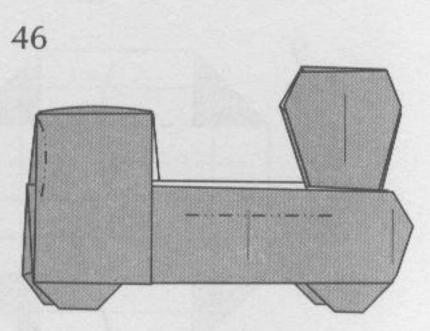
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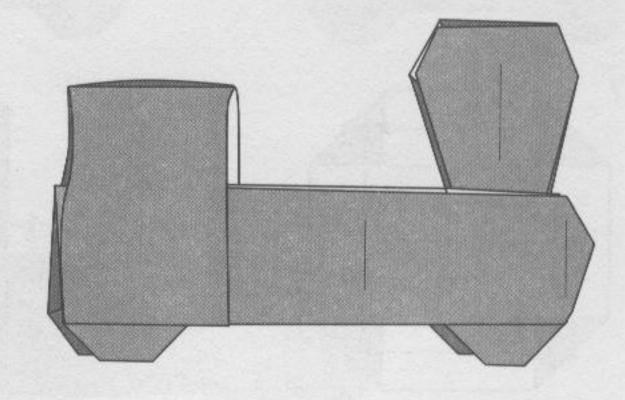
Fold behind and flatten. Repeat behind.



Fold inside at the bottom. Repeat behind.

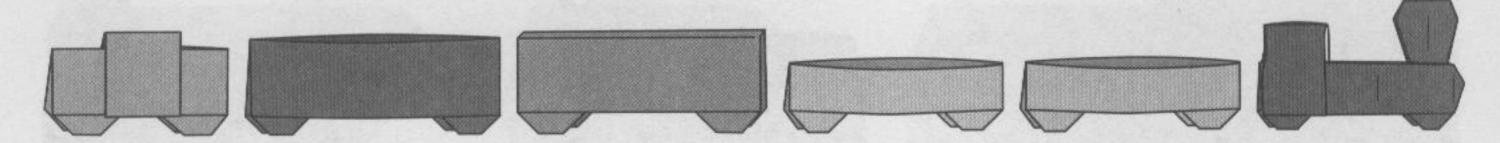


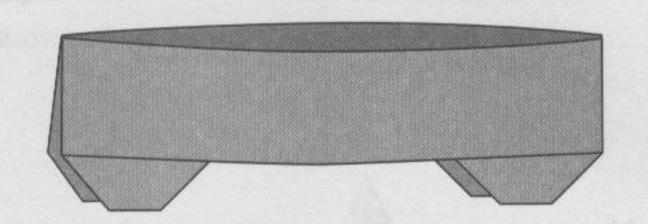
Crease lightly to make the locomotive round.

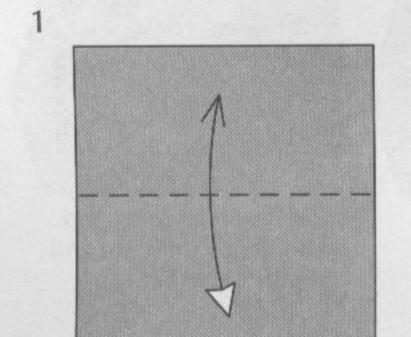


Locomotive

### **Grain Car**

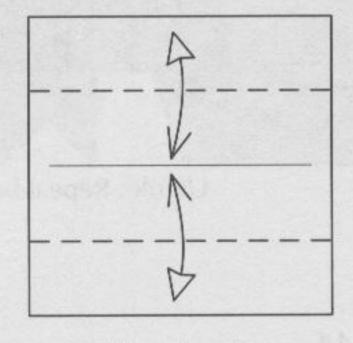




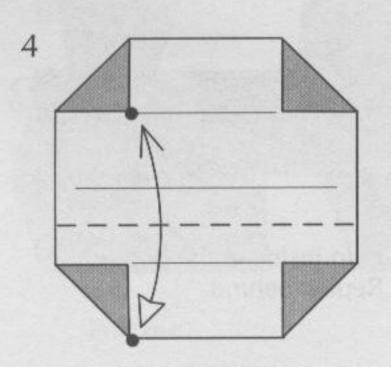


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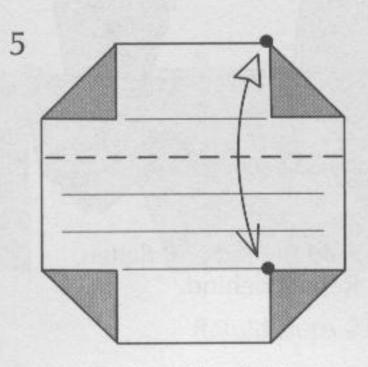




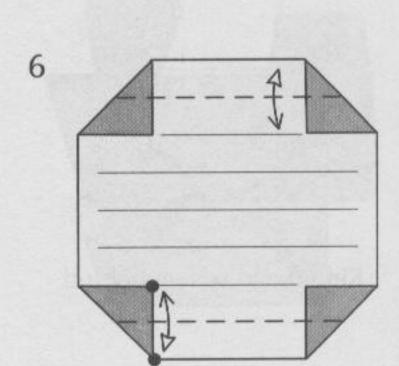
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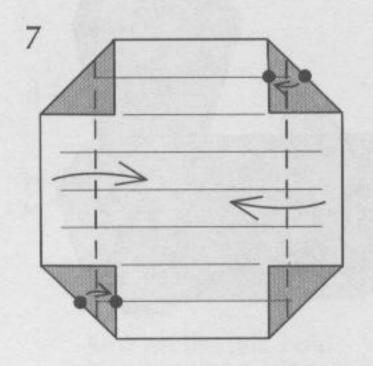
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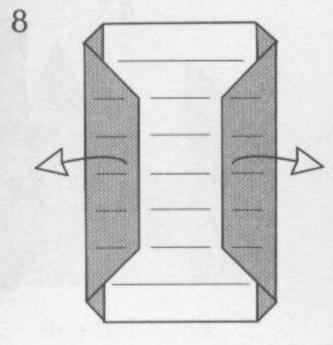


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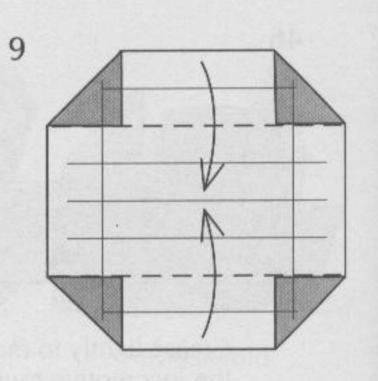


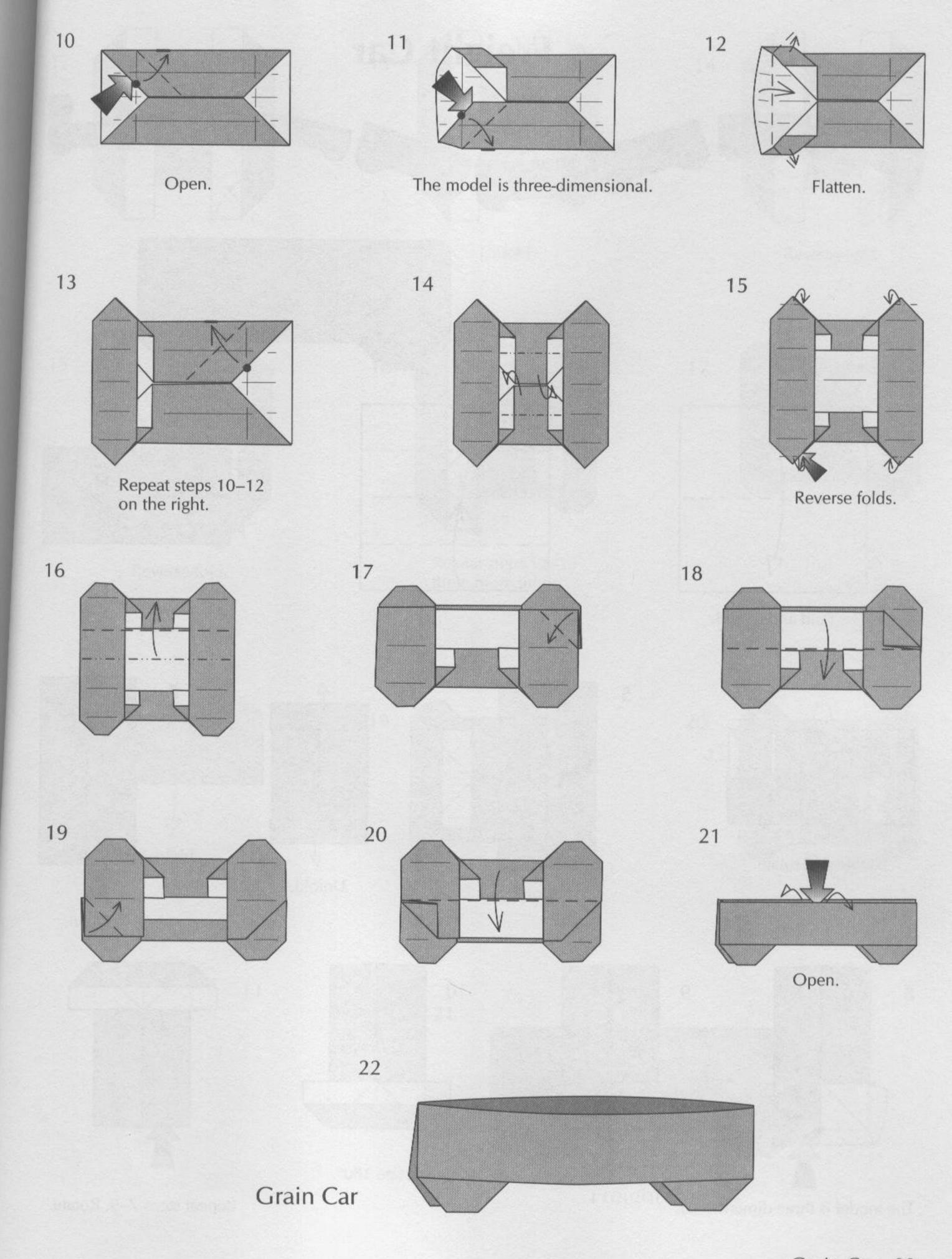
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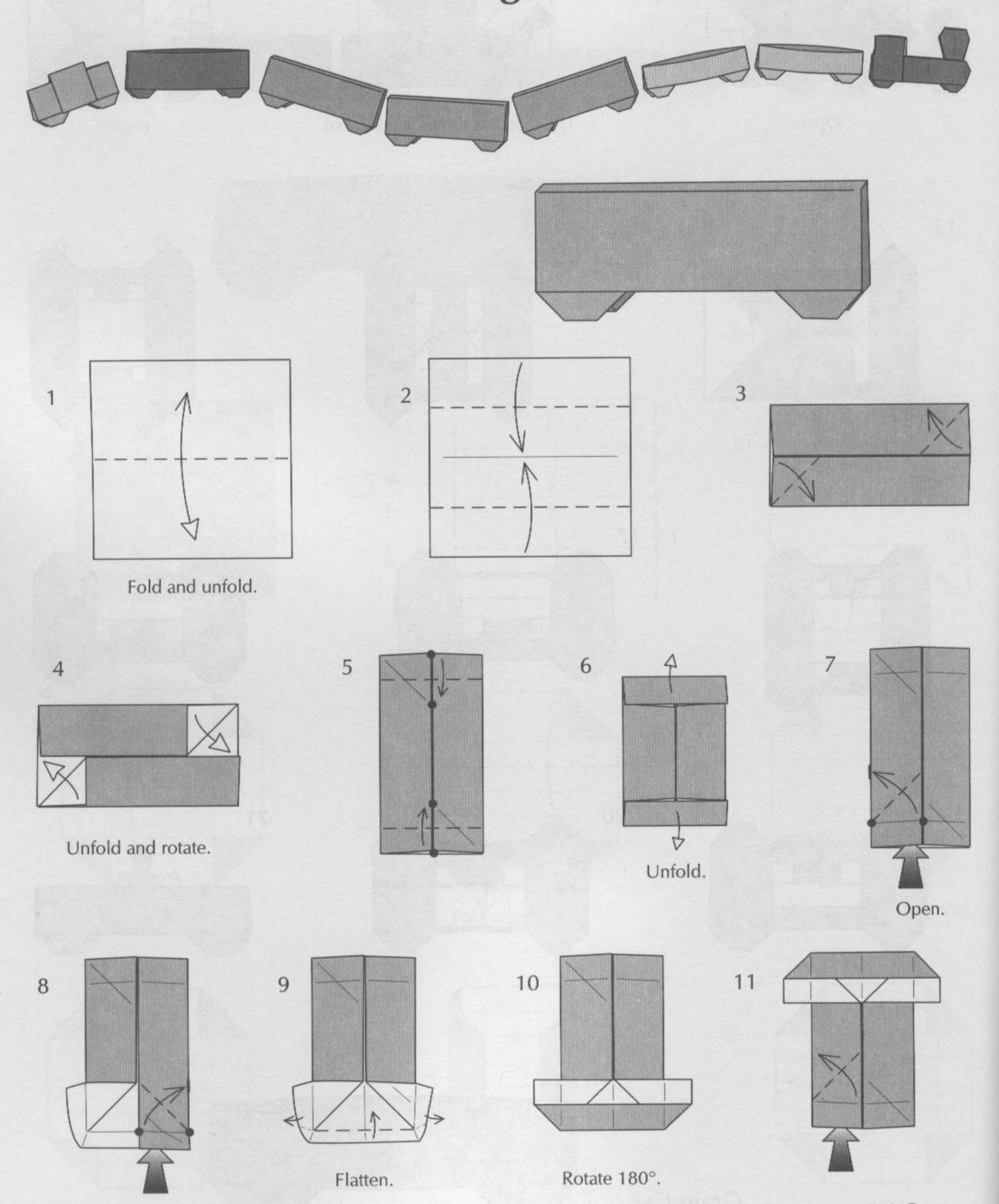


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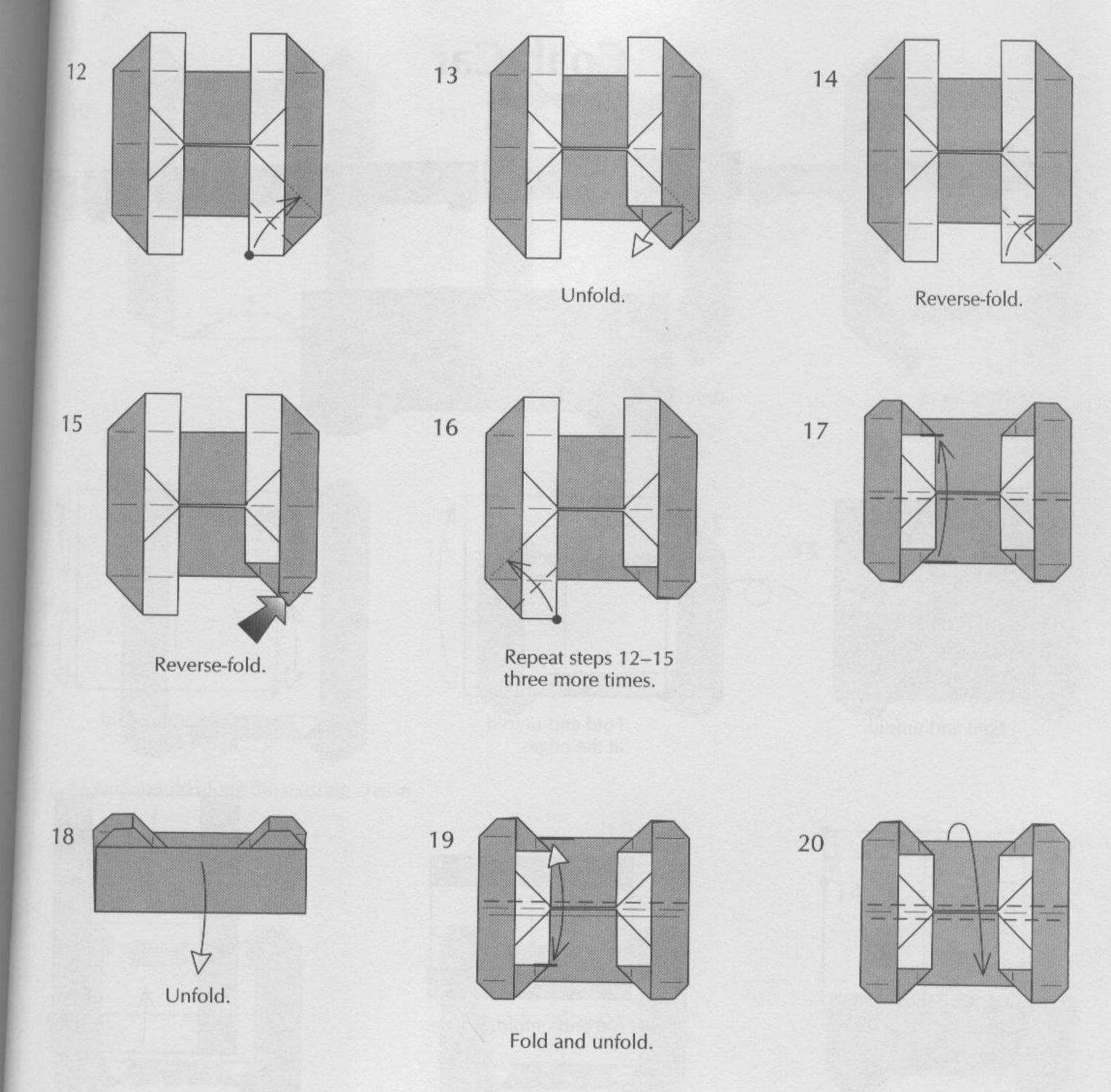


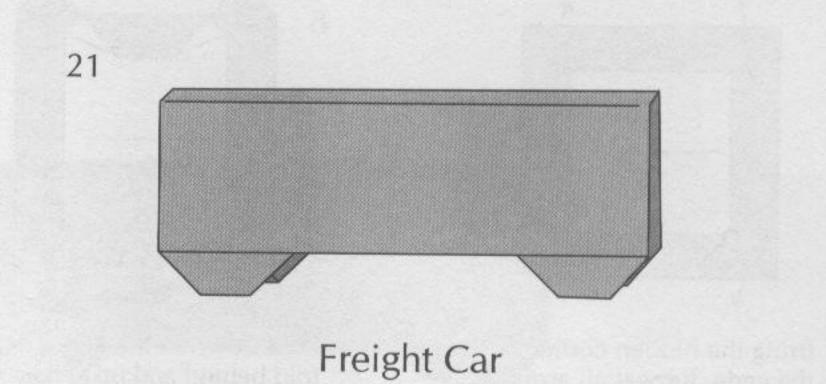
## Freight Car



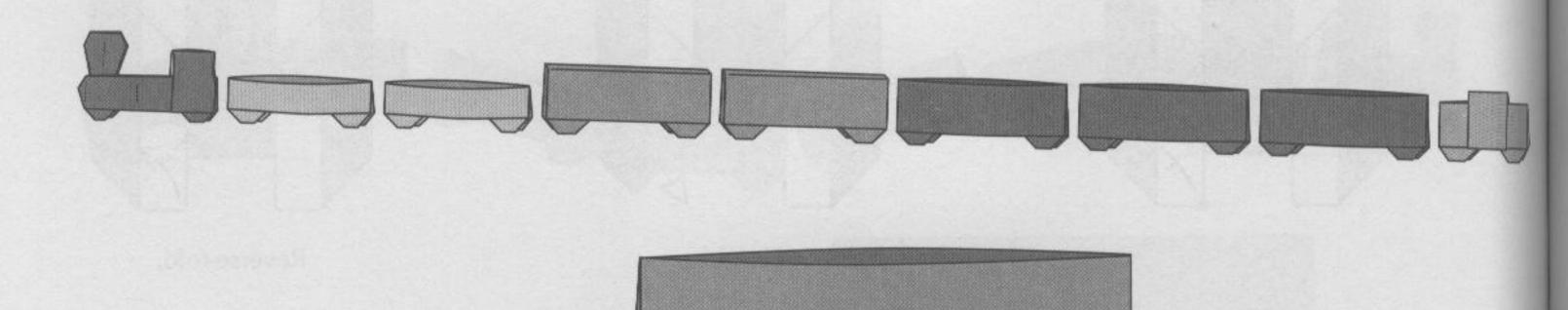
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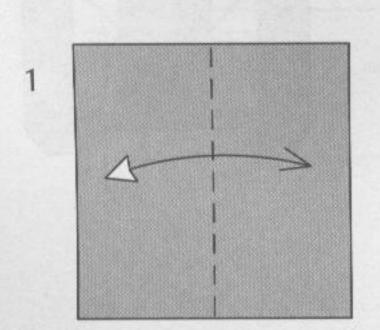
Repeat steps 7-9. Rotate.



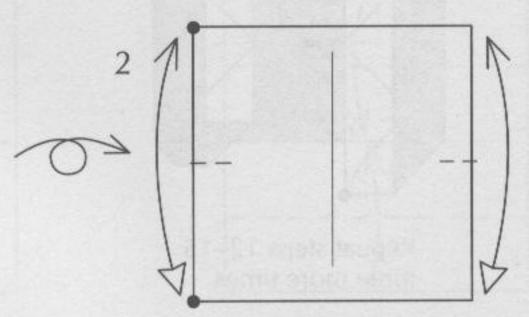


### Coal Car

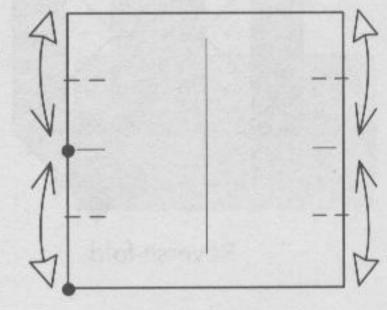




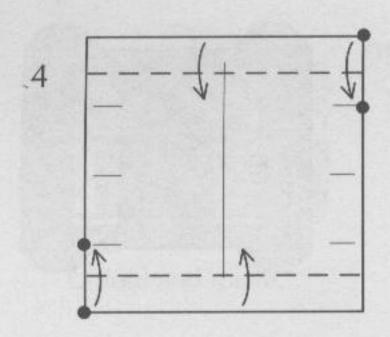
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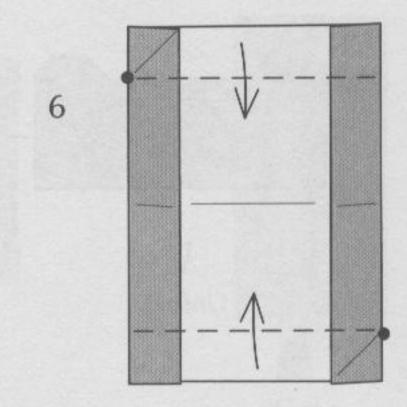
Fold and unfold at the edges.

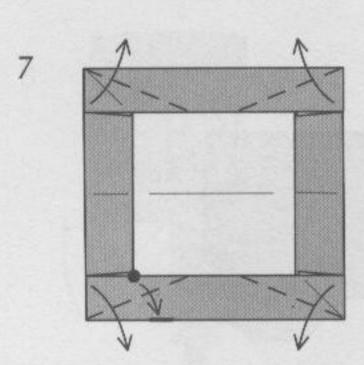


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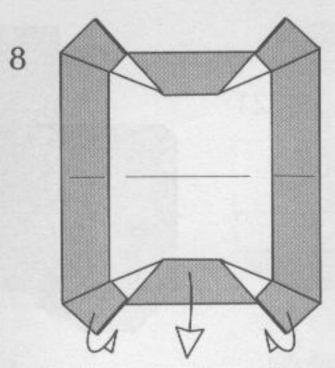


Fold and unfold. Rotate.

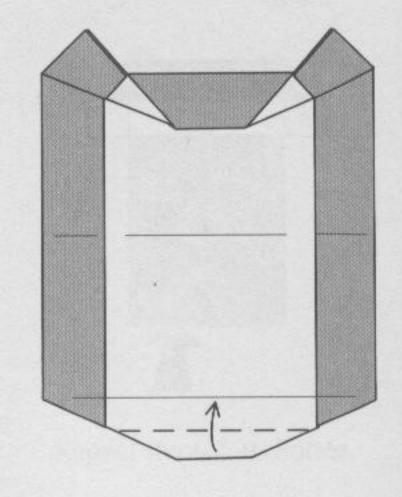


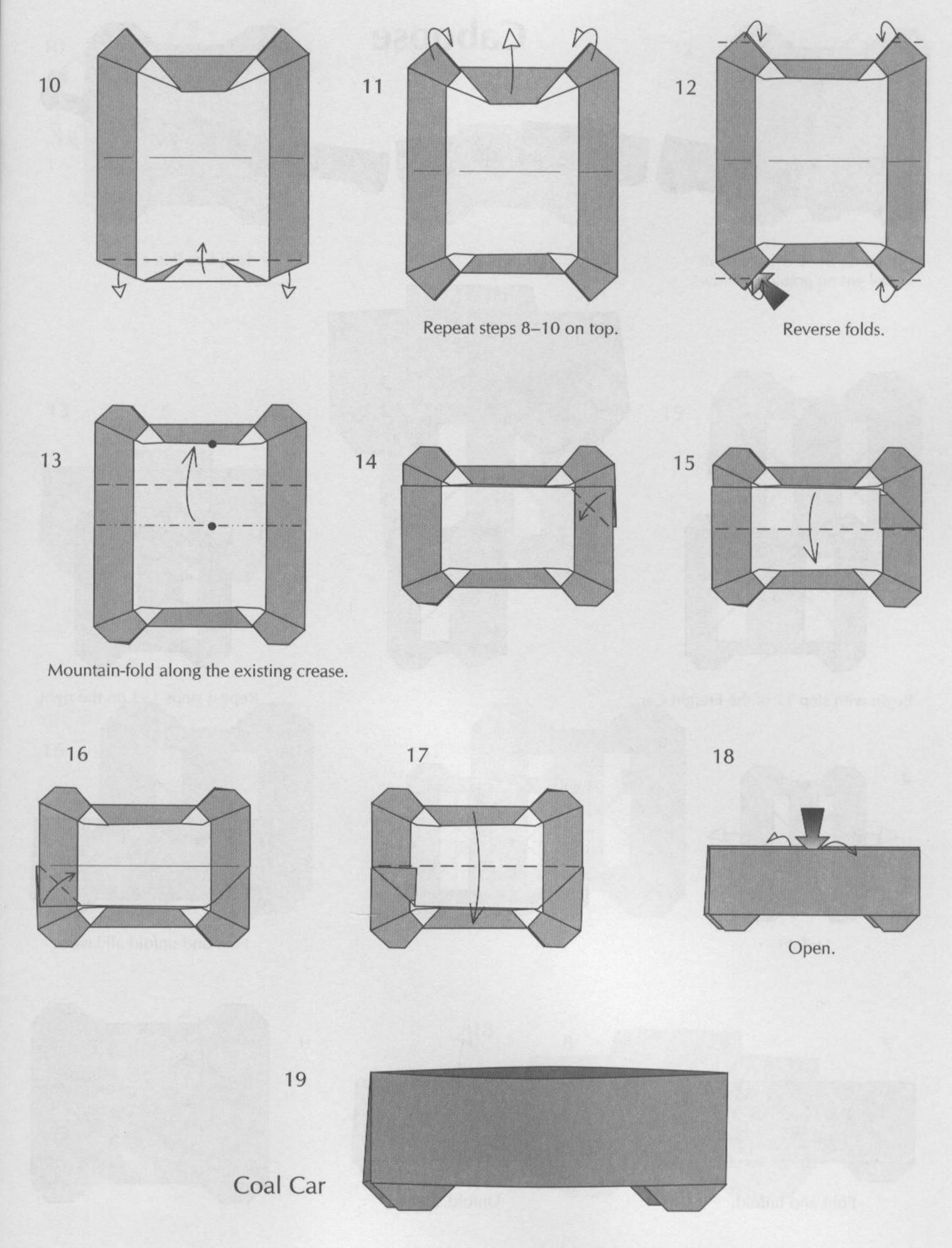


Bring the hidden corner to the egde. Repeat all around.

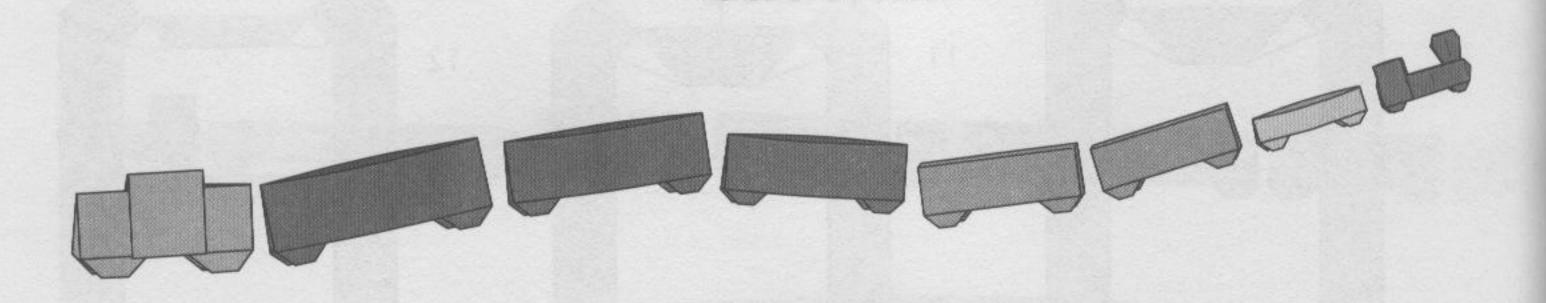


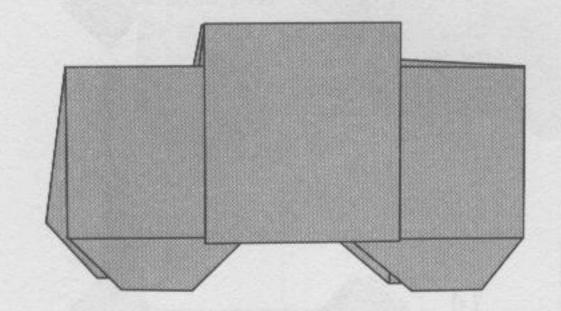
Fold down in the center and fold behind and up at the sides.

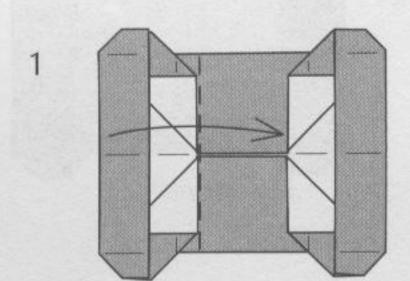




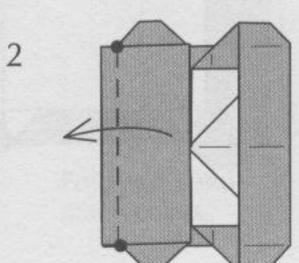
### Caboose

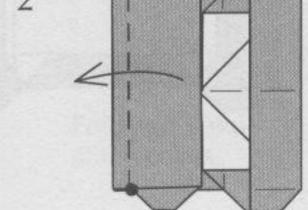


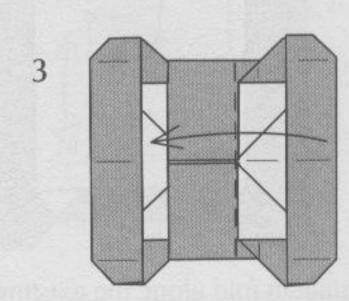




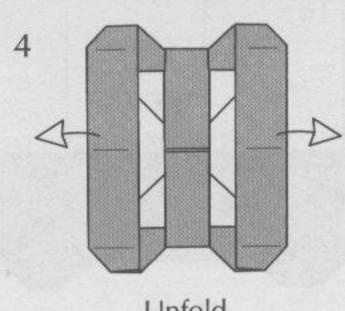
Begin with step 17 of the Freight Car.



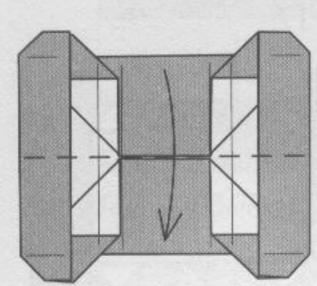




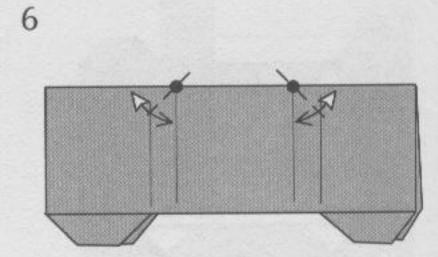
Repeat steps 1-2 on the right.



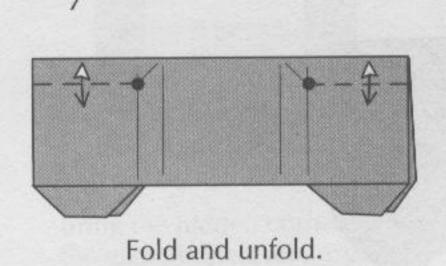
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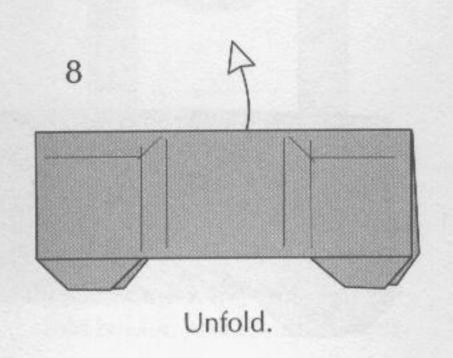


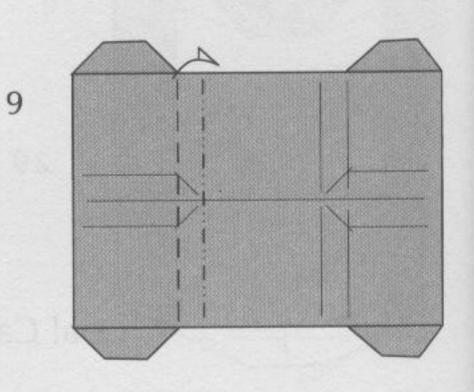


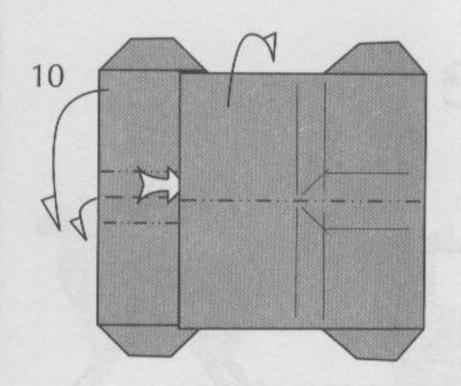


Fold and unfold all layers.

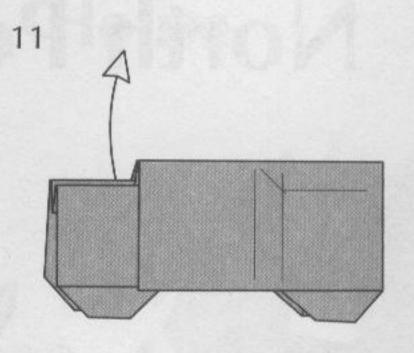




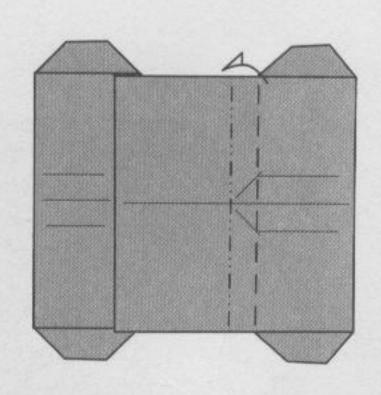




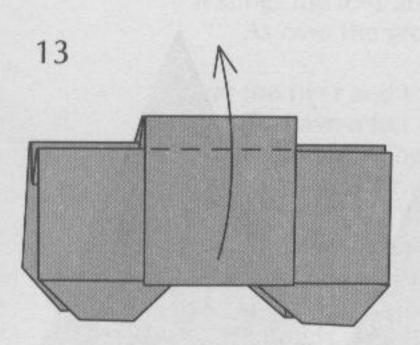
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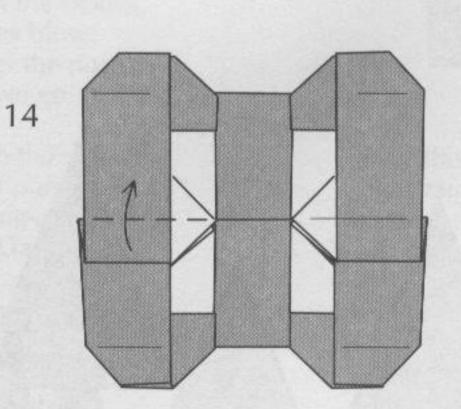
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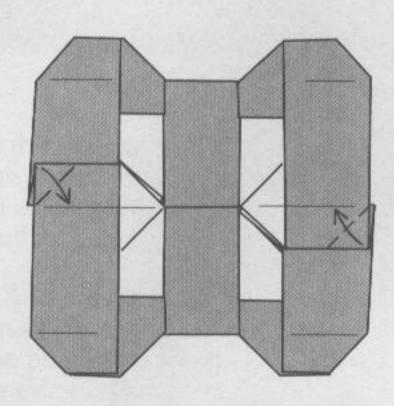
Repeat steps 9–10 on the right while refolding on the left.



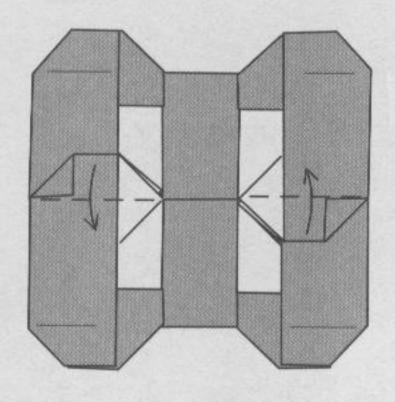
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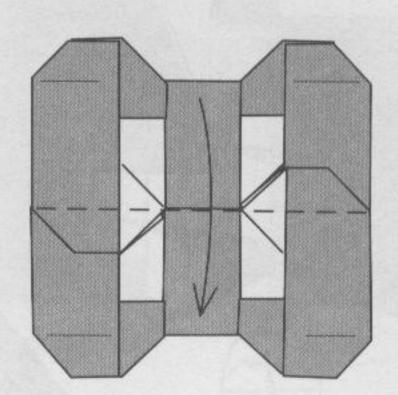
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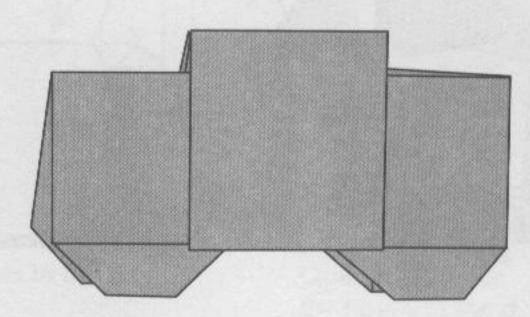
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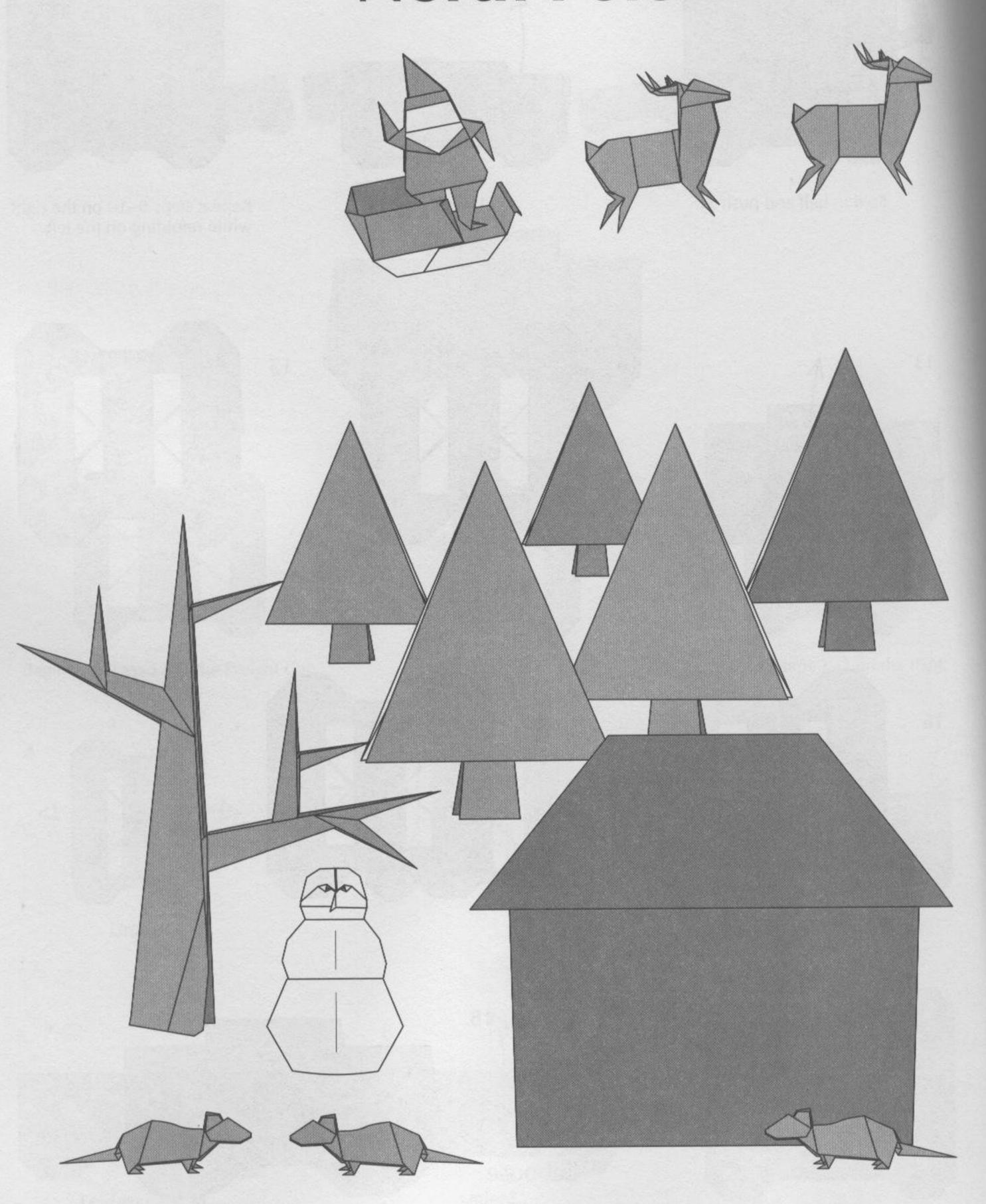


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Caboose

# North Pole



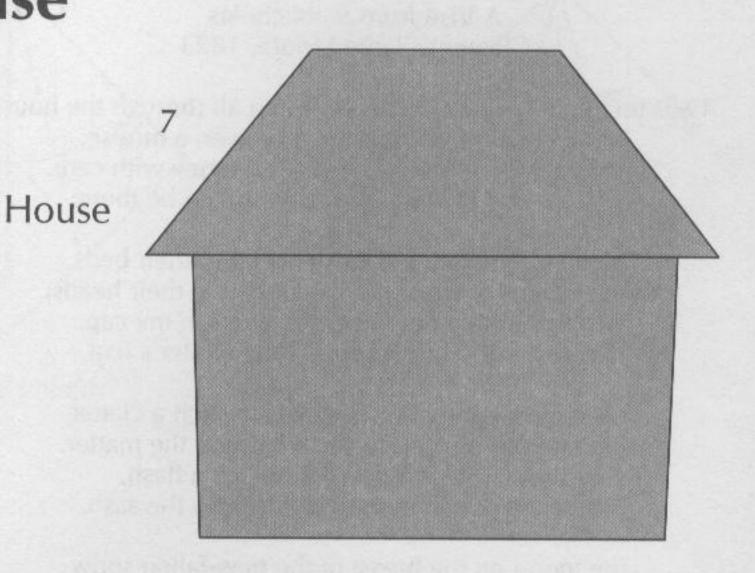
#### House

Over the river and through the woods
To Grandmother's house we go.
The horse knows the way to carry the sleigh
Through white and drifted snow.

Over the river and through the woods,
Oh, how the wind does blow.
It stings the toes and bites the nose
As over the ground we go.

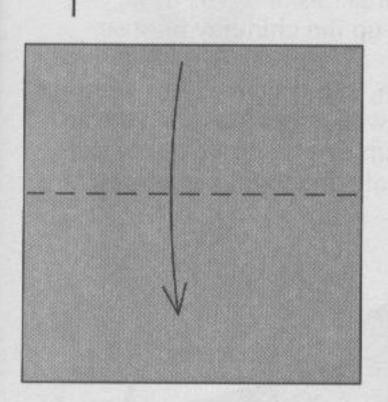
Over the river and through the woods
To have a full day of play.
Oh, hear the bells ringing ting-a-ling-ling,
For it is Christmas Day.

Over the river and through the woods, Trot fast my dapple gray; Spring o'er the ground just like a hound, For this is Christmas Day.

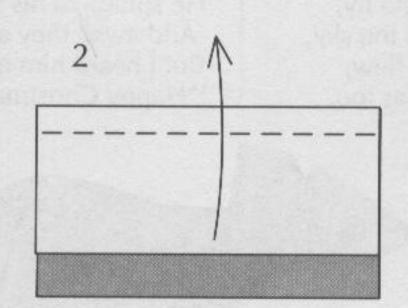


Over the river and through the woods And straight through the barnyard gate. It seems that we go so dreadfully slow; It is so hard to wait.

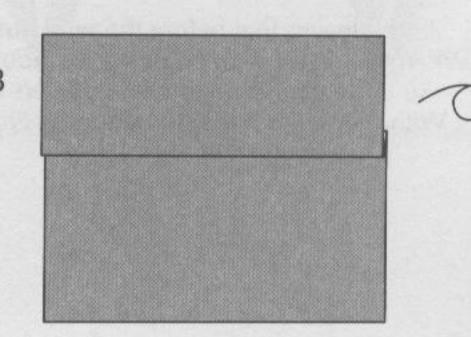
Over the river and through the woods, Now Grandma's cap I spy. Hurrah for fun; the pudding's done; Hurrah for the pumpkin pie.

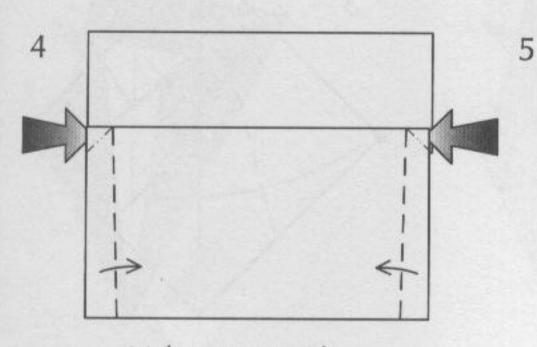


Fold near the bottom. There are no landmarks.

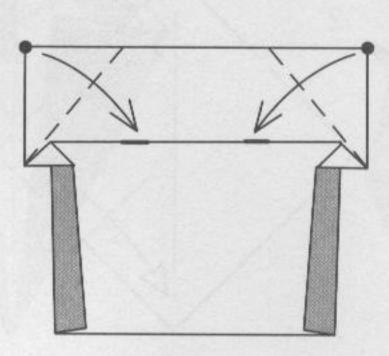


There are no landmarks.

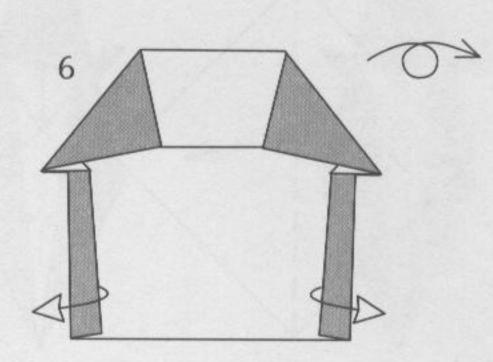




Make two squash folds at a slight angle.



Bring the corners to the line.



Open slightly for the house to stand.

#### Mouse

A Visit from St. Nicholas Clement Clarke Moore, 1823

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads; And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled down for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below, When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;

"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! Now, Prancer and Vixen! On, Comet! On Cupid! On, Donner and Blitzen! To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall! Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky, So up to the house-top the coursers they flew, With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my hand, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

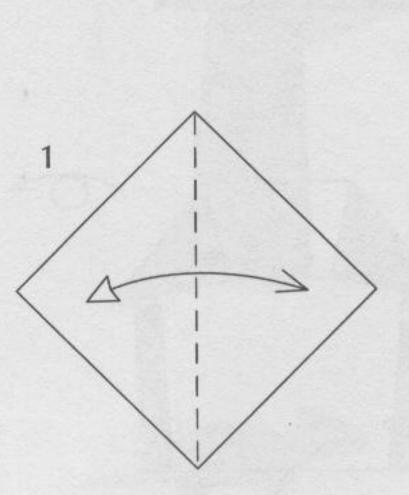
His eyes—how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook, when he laughed like a bowlful of jelly.

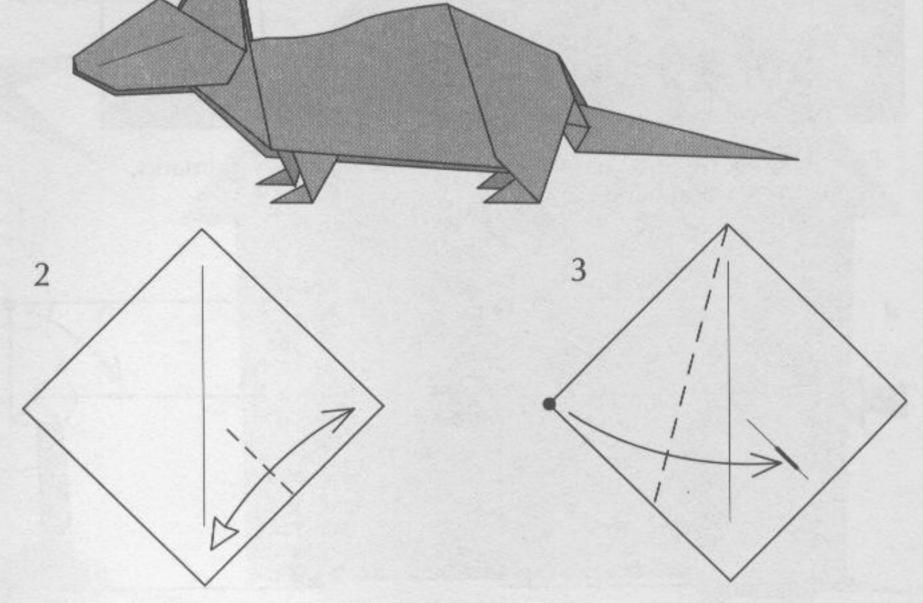
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk, And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose;

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"

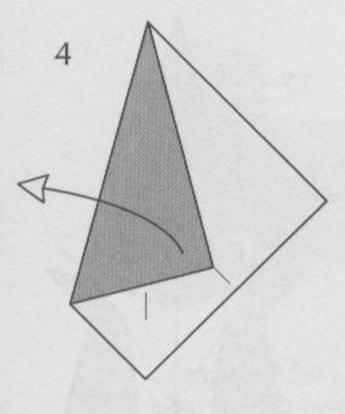


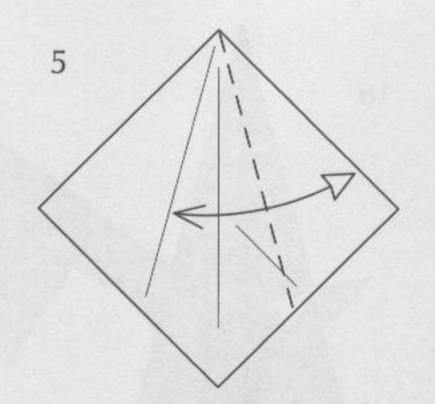
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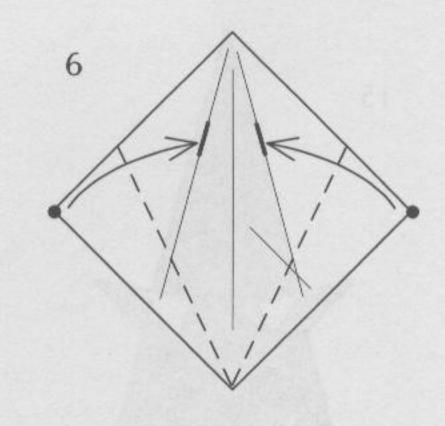


Fold and unfold.

Fold the corner to the line.

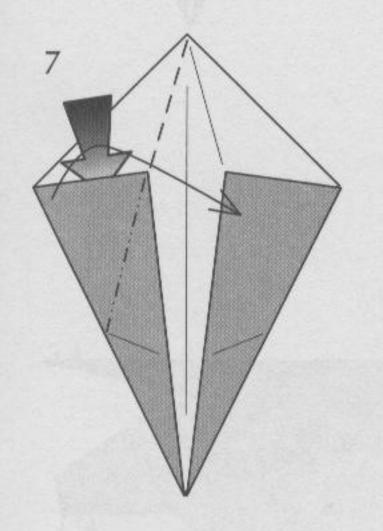


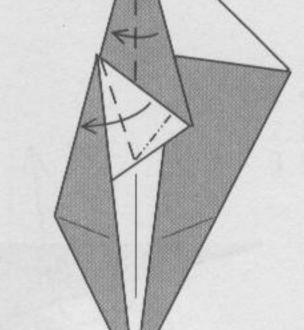


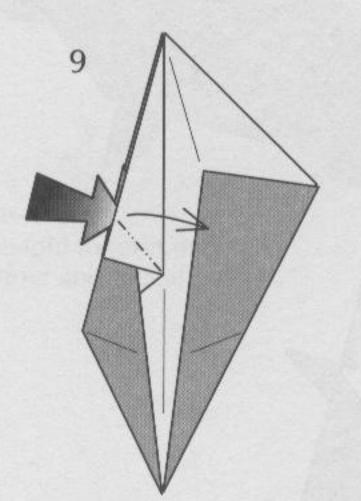


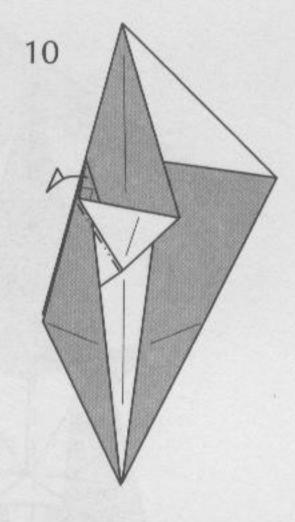
Unfold.

Fold and unfold.





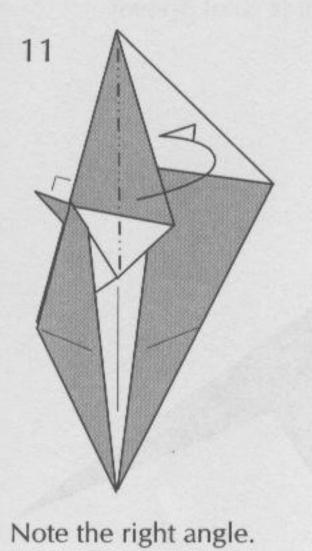


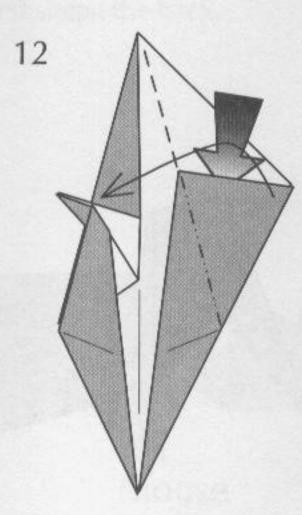


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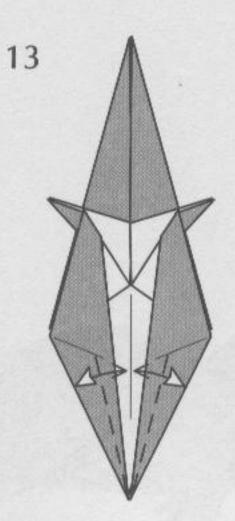
Reverse-fold.

Squash-fold.

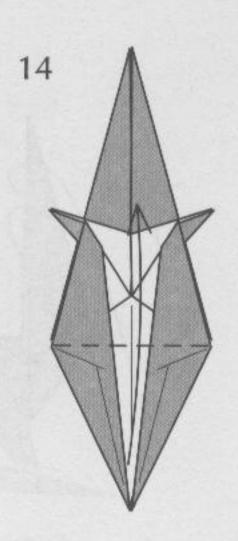


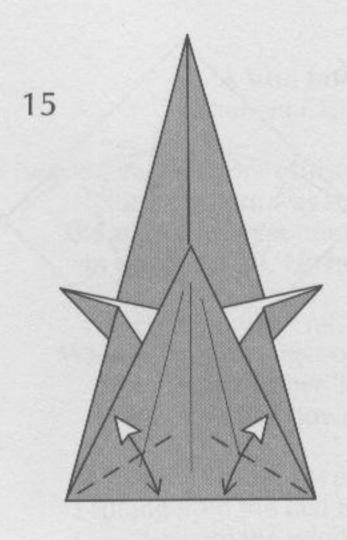


Repeat steps 7–11 on the right.

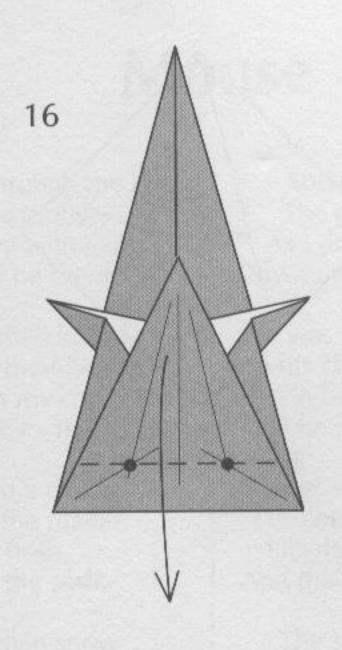


Fold and unfold to the center.

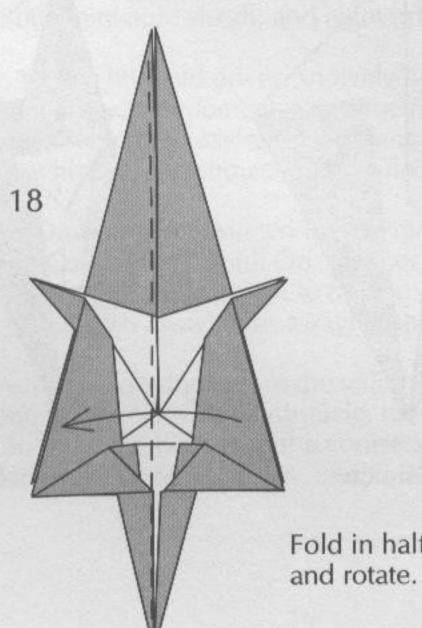


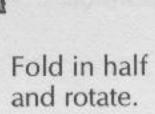


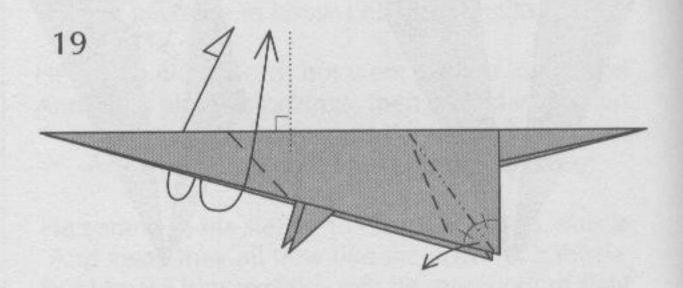
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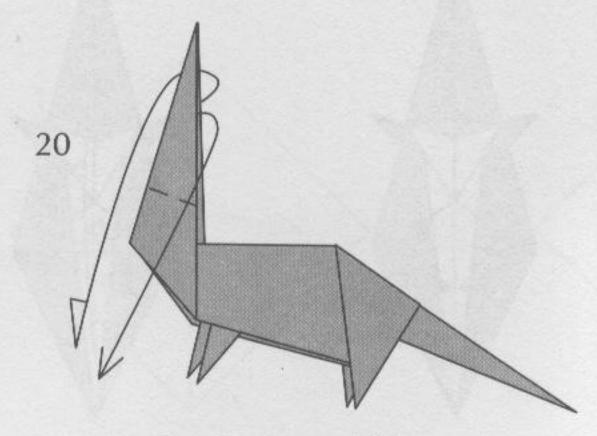
Squash folds.



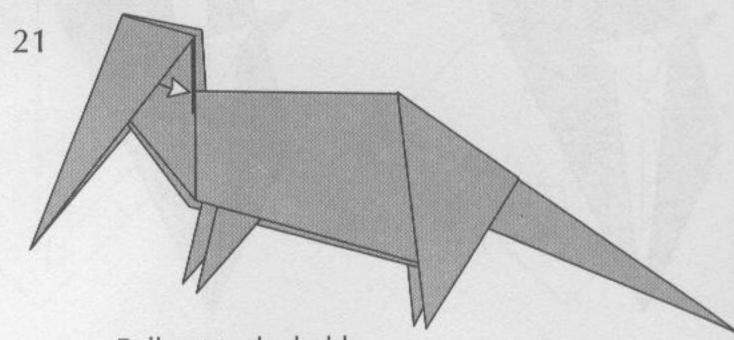




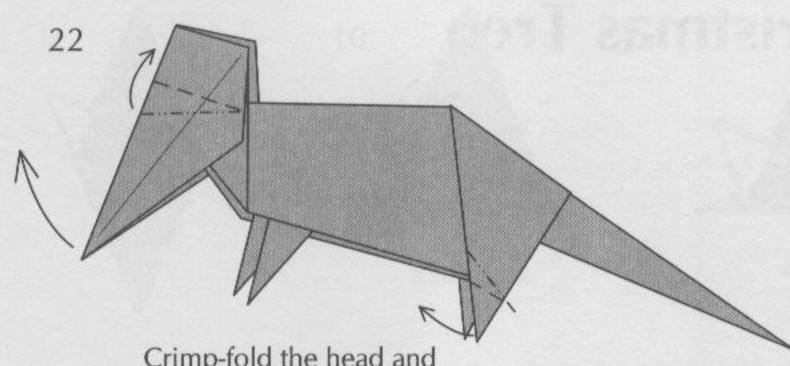
Outside-reverse-fold the head at a 90° angle. Crimp-fold the hind legs.



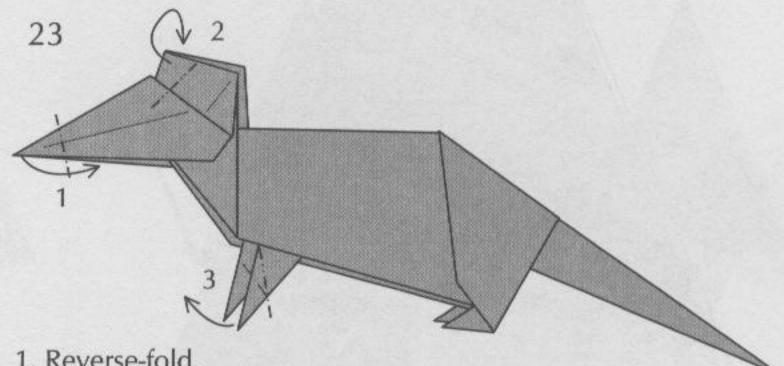
Outside-reverse-fold.



Pull out to the bold line. Repeat behind.

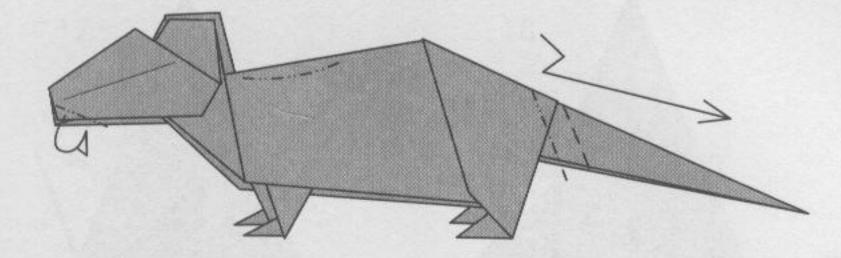


Crimp-fold the head and legs. Repeat behind.

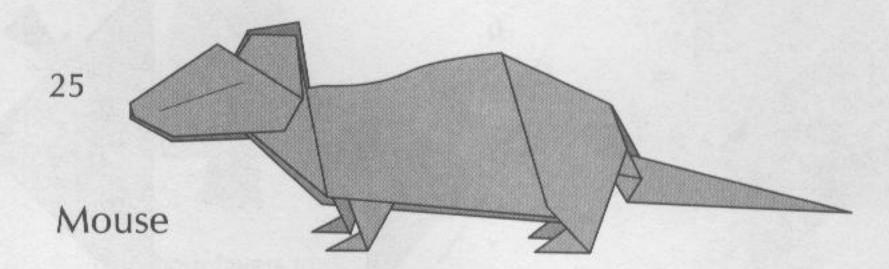


- 1. Reverse-fold.
- 2. Reverse-fold to form the ear.
- 3. Crimp-fold and repeat behind.

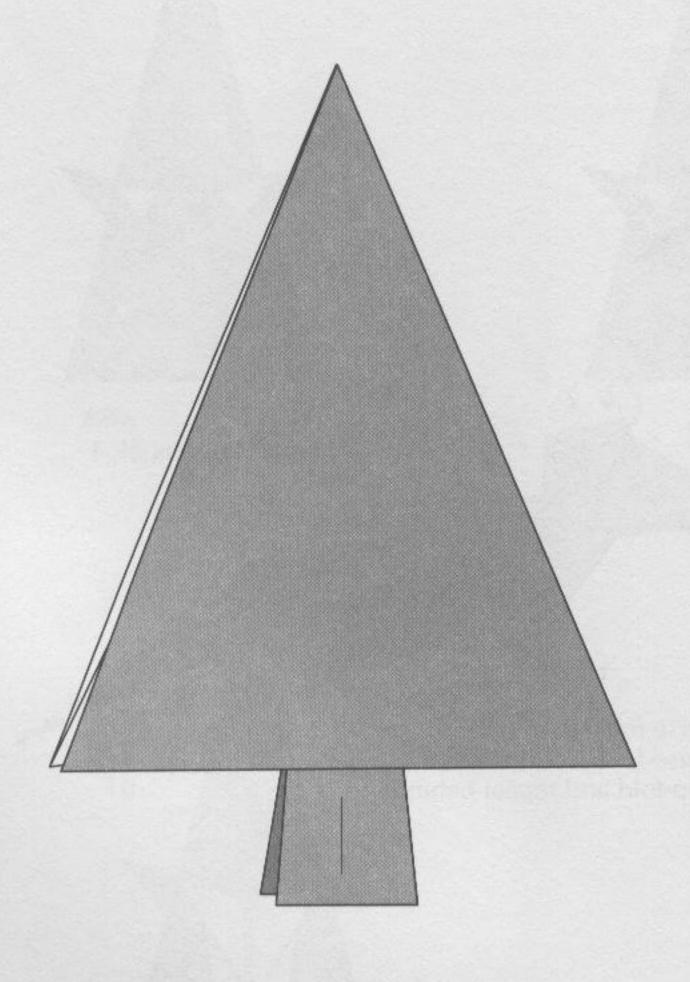




Fold inside at the head, and repeat behind. Make reverse folds at the tail, and shape the back.

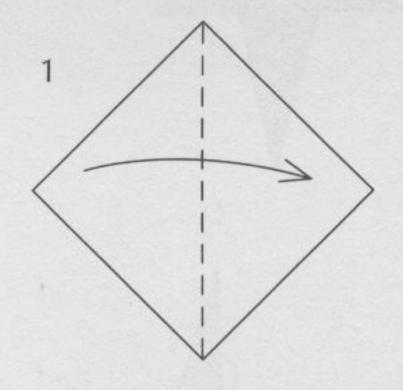


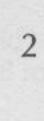
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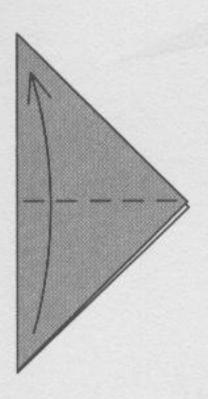


O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, Your branches green delight us. They're green when summer days are bright: They're green when winter snow is white. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, Your branches green delight us.

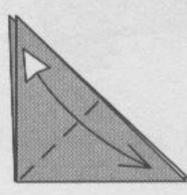
O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, You give us so much pleasure! How oft at Christmas tide the sight, O green fir tree, gives us delight! O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, You give us so much pleasure!

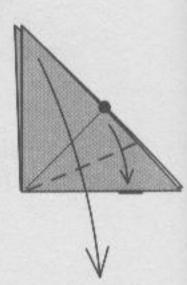




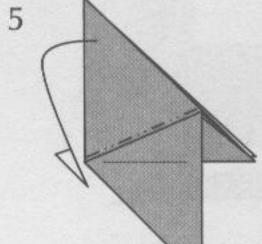


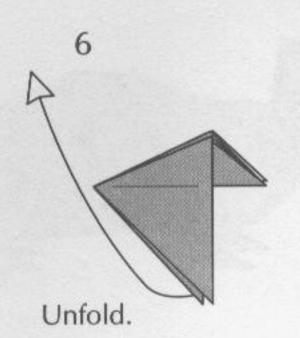
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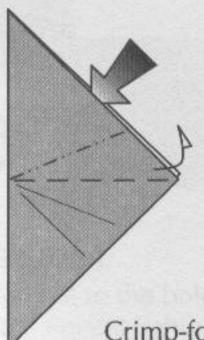


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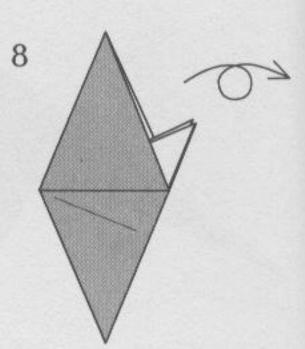




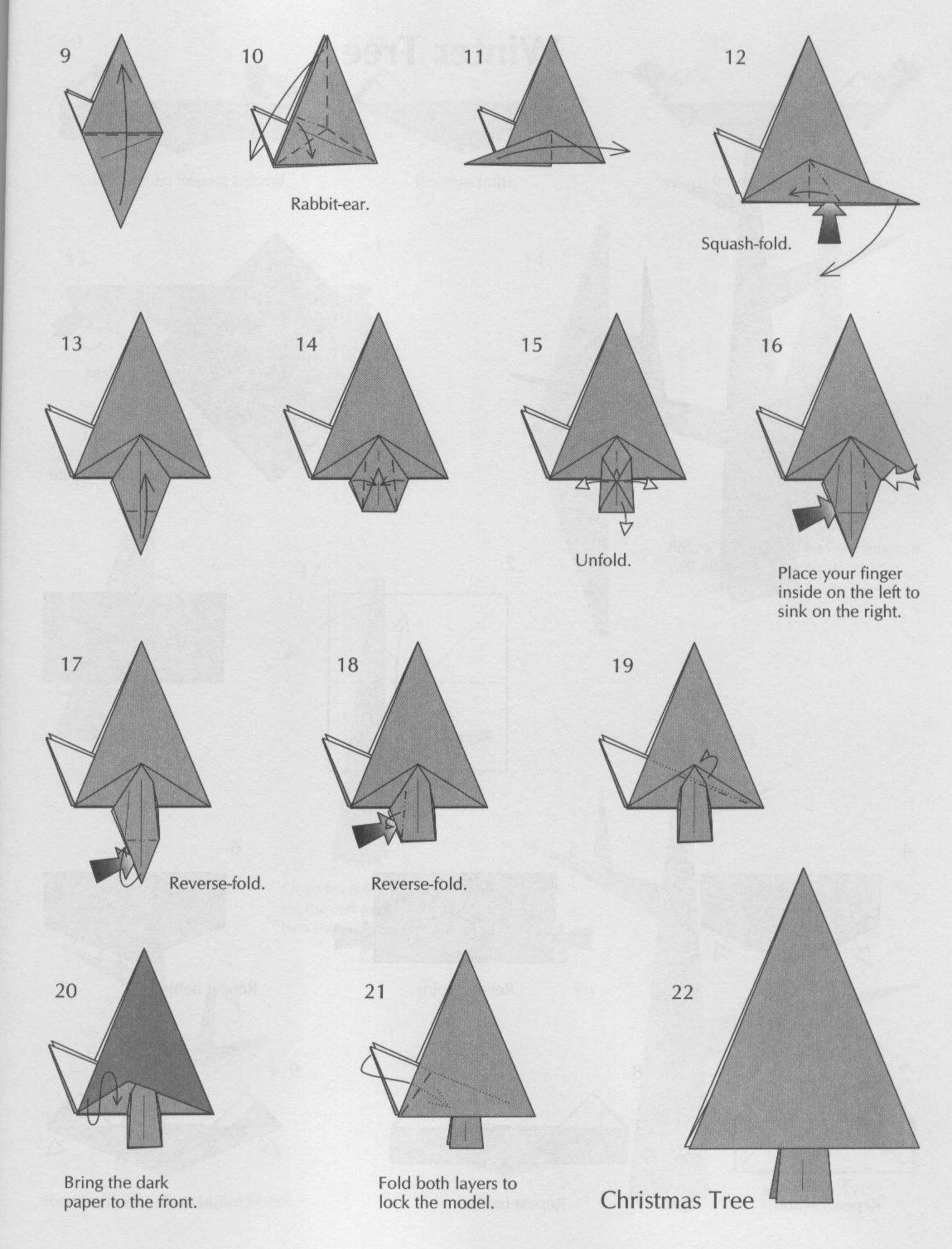
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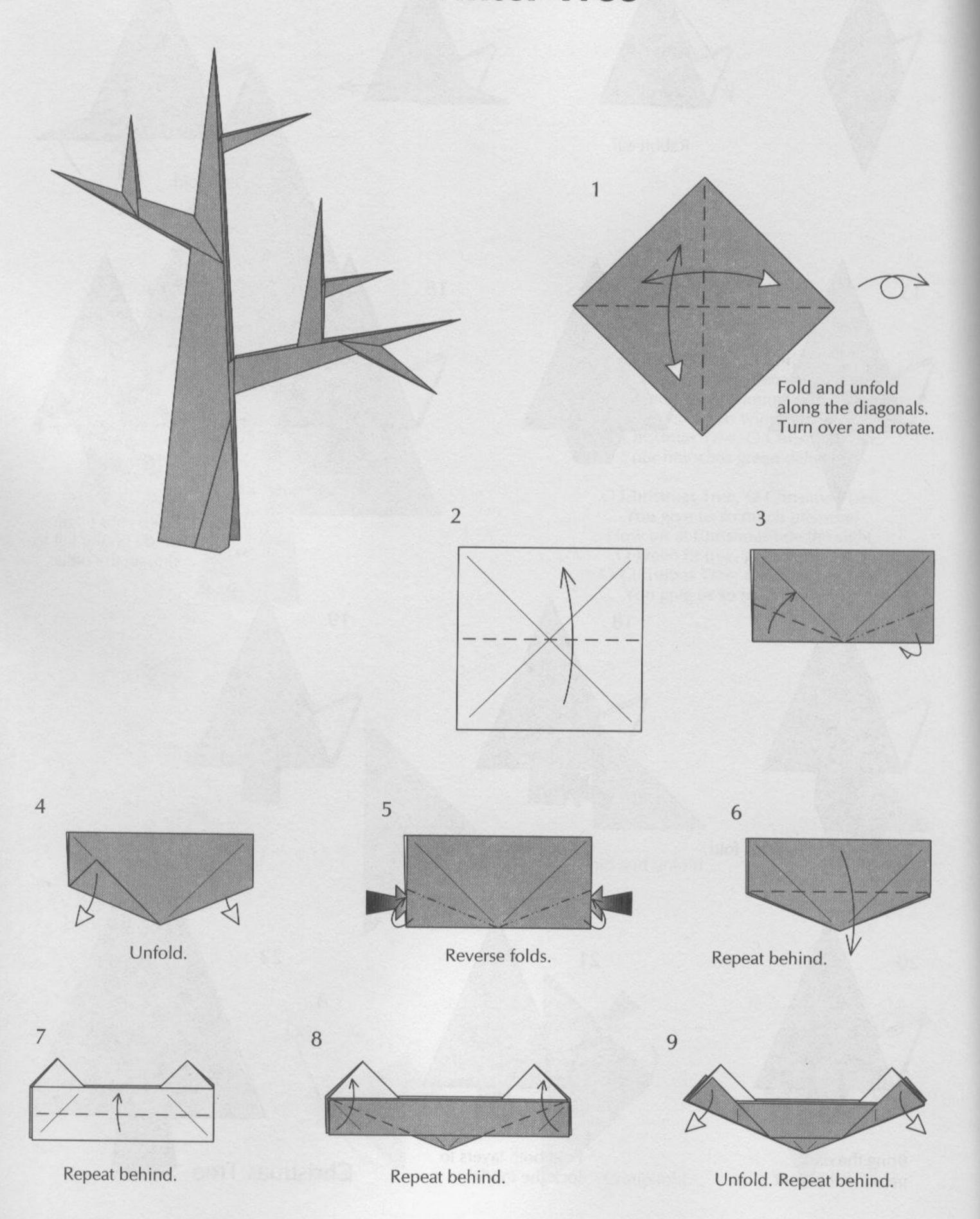
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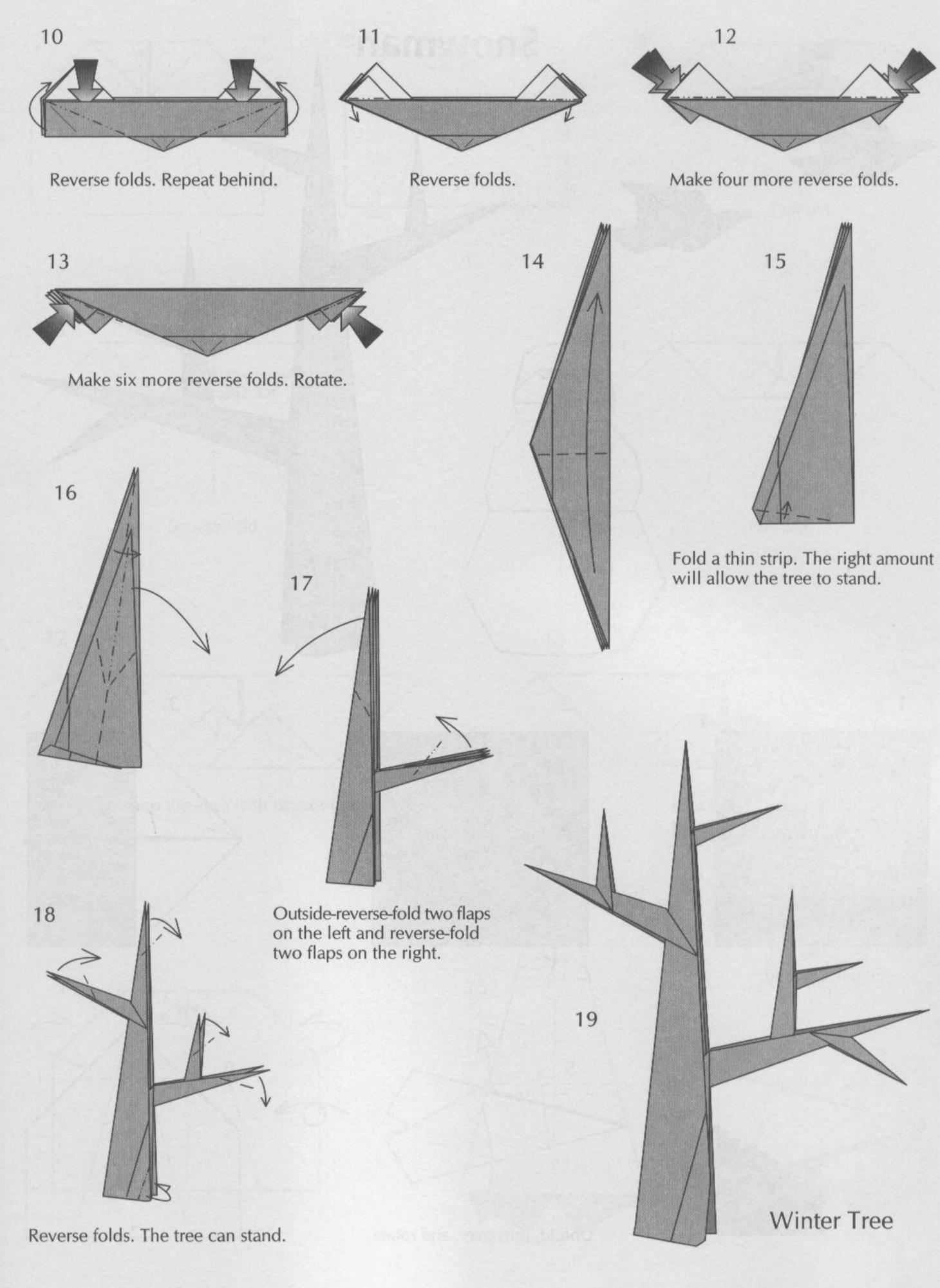


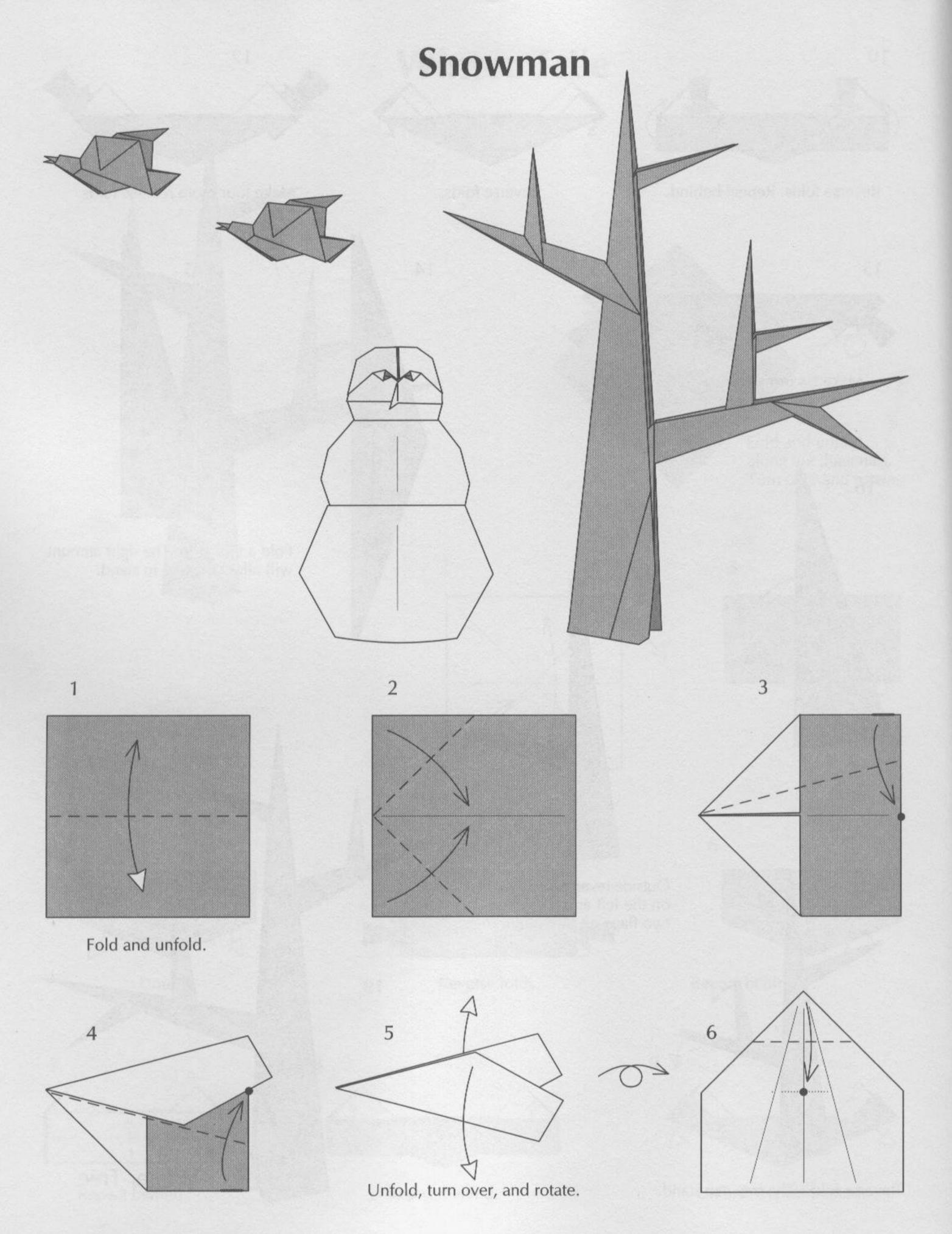
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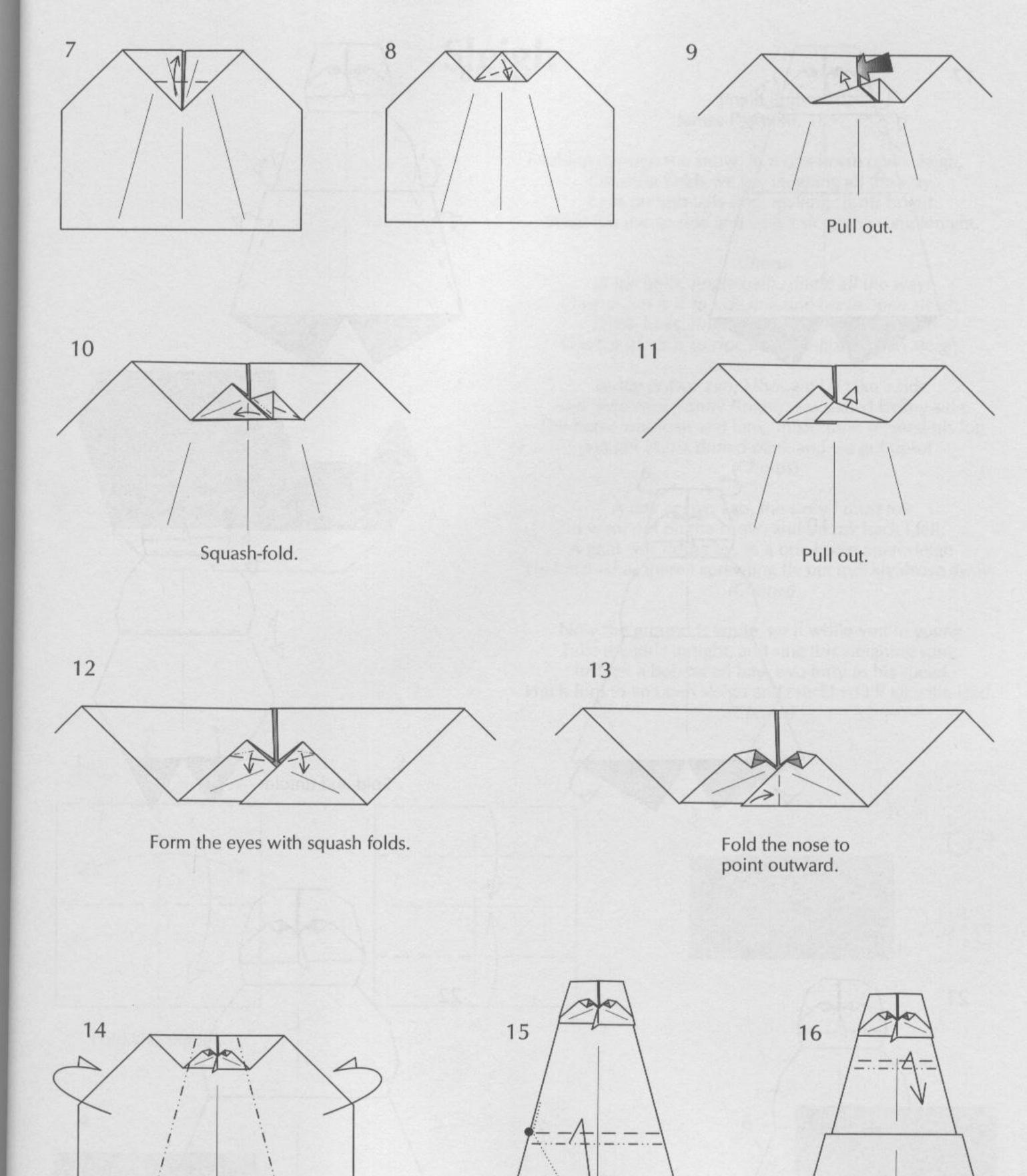
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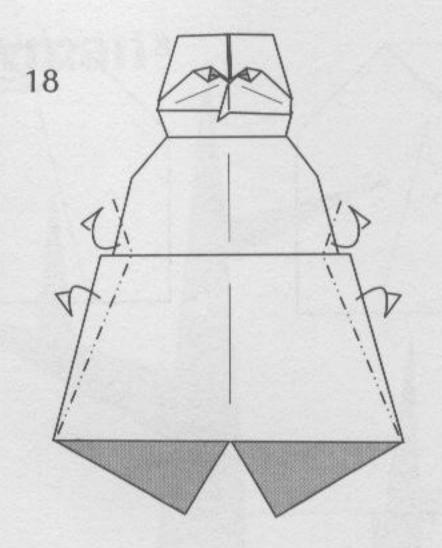


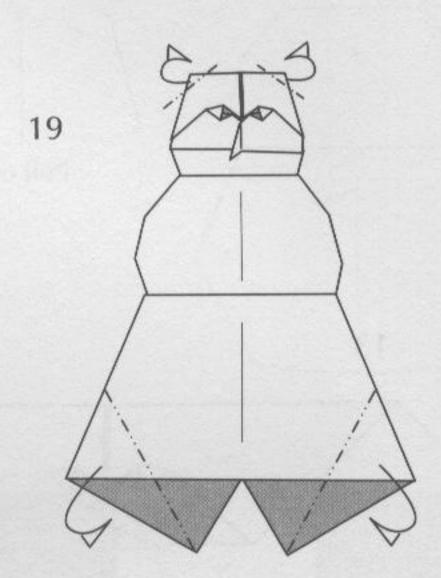


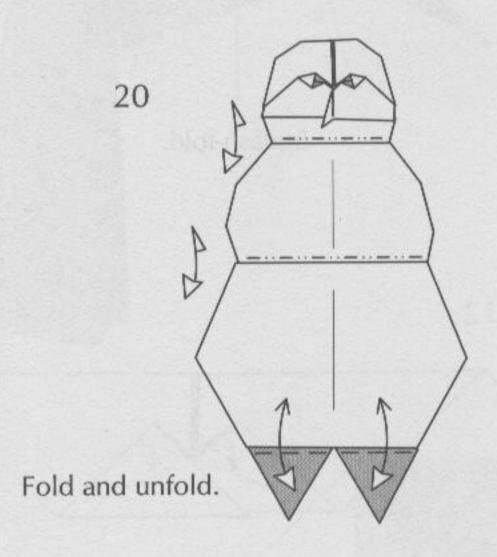


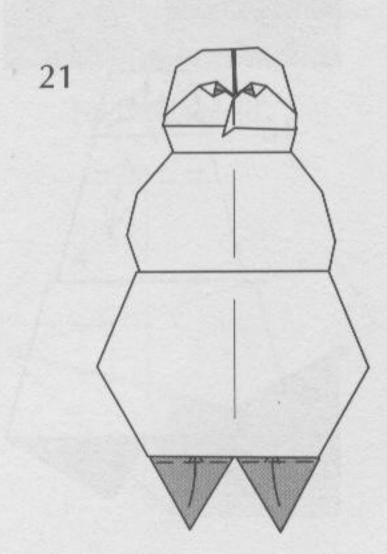
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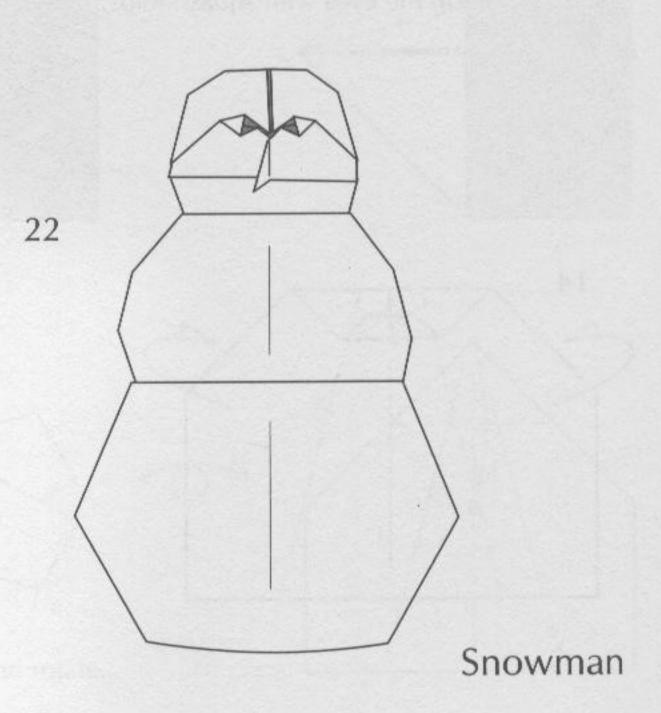








Tuck inside and spread a little at the bottom so the snowman can stand.



### Sleigh

Jingle Bells James Pierpont, 1857

Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh, Over the fields we go, laughing all the way. Bells on bob-tails ring, making spirits bright, What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight.

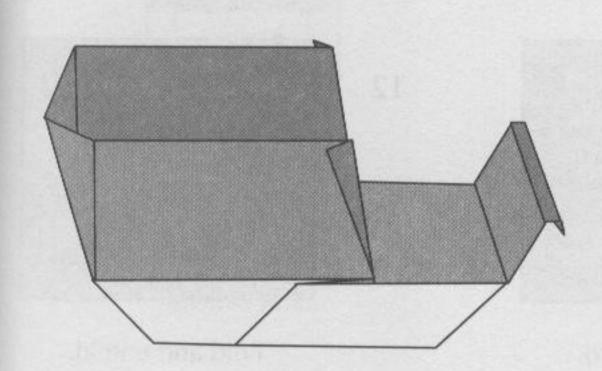


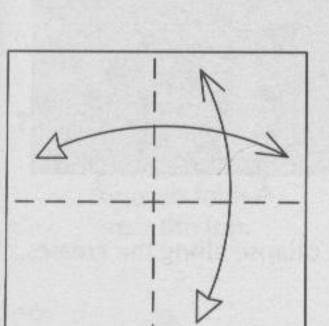
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way! O what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh. Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way! O what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh.

A day or two ago, I thought I'd take a ride And soon Miss Fanny Bright, was seated by my side; The horse was lean and lank, misfortune seemed his lot; He got into a drifted bank and we got upsot. (Chorus)

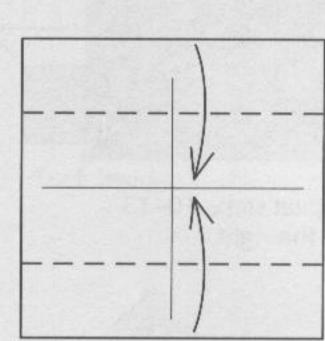
A day or two ago, the story I must tell I went out on the snow, and on my back I fell; A gent was riding by, in a one-horse open sleigh He laughed as there I sprawling lie but quickly drove away. (Chorus)

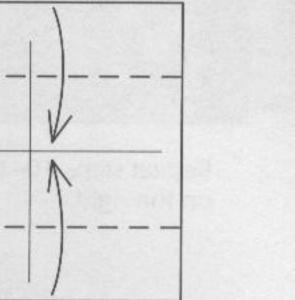
Now the ground is white, go it while you're young Take the girls tonight, and sing this sleighing song; Just get a bob-tailed bay, two-forty as his speed Hitch him to an open sleigh and crack! you'll take the lead. (Chorus)

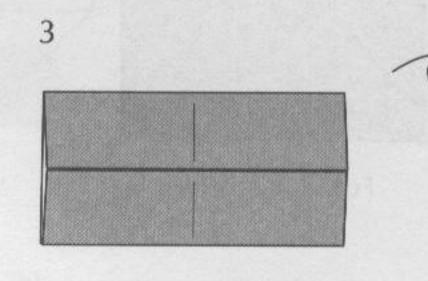


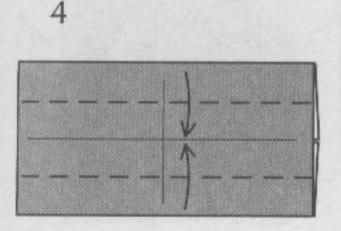


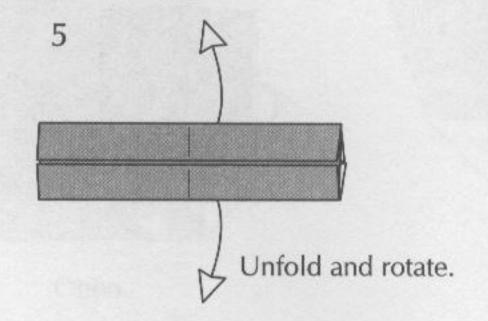
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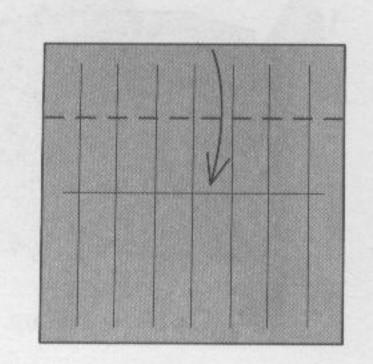


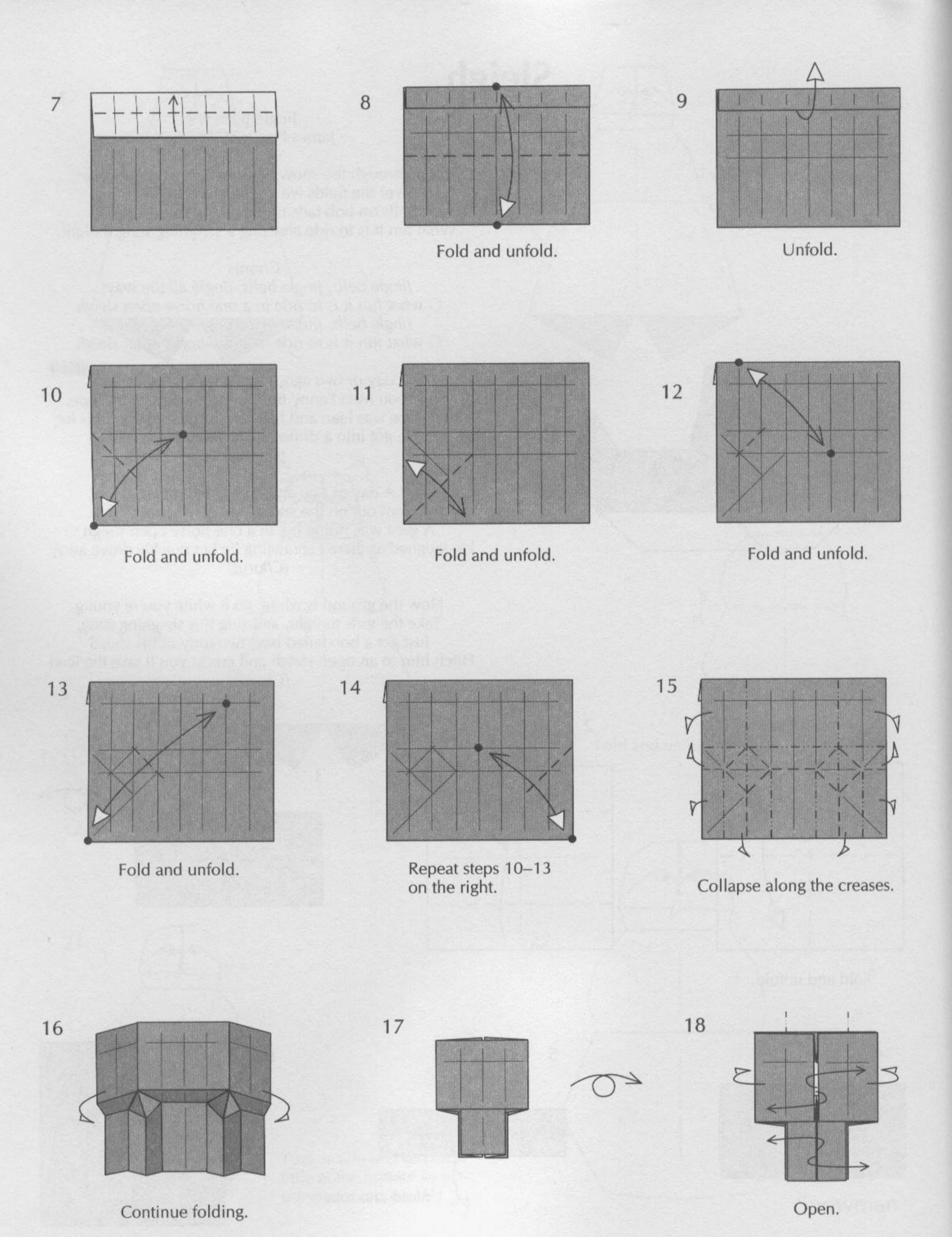


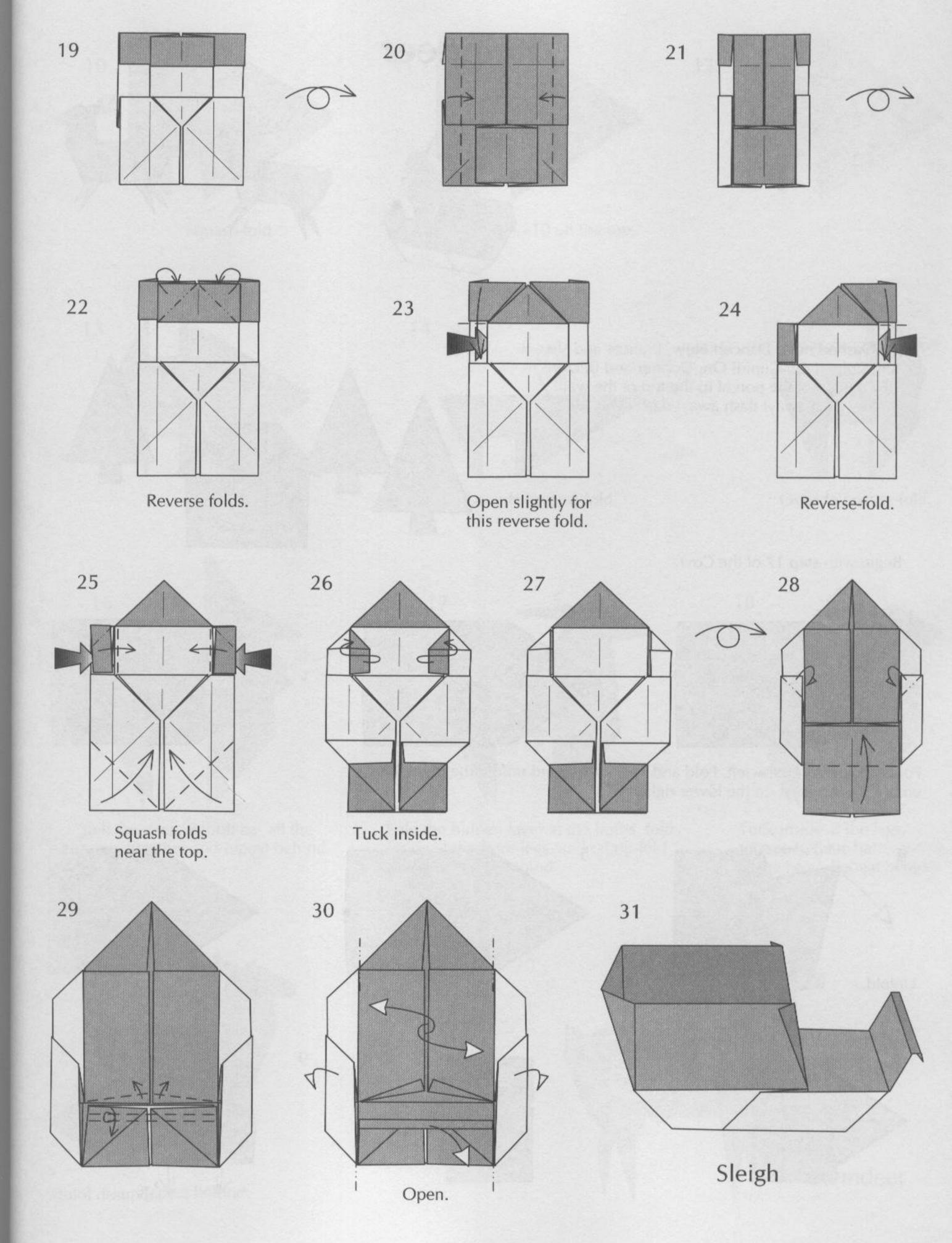




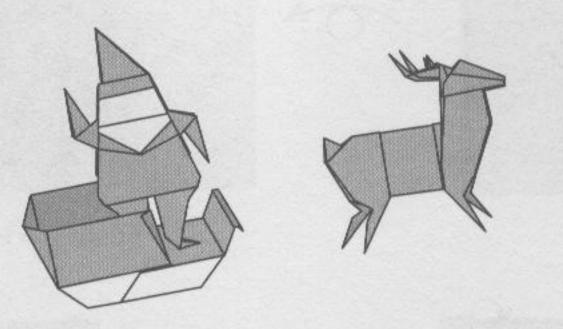




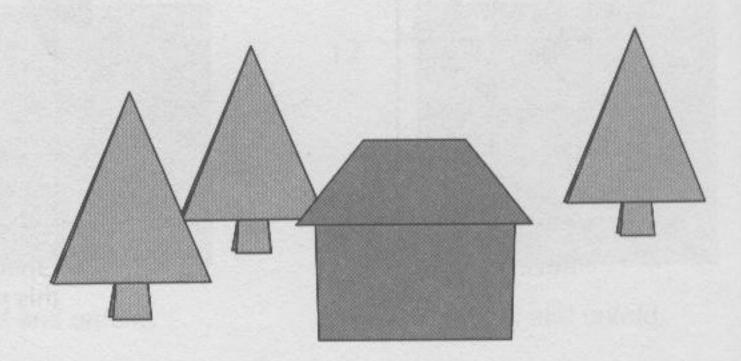




### Reindeer

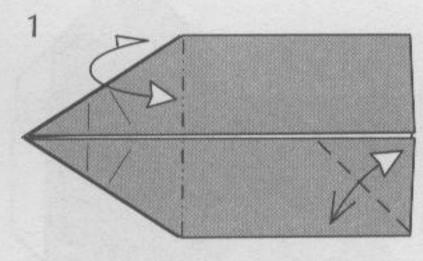


"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! Now, Prancer and Vixen! On, Comet! On Cupid! On, Donner and Blitzen! To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall! Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

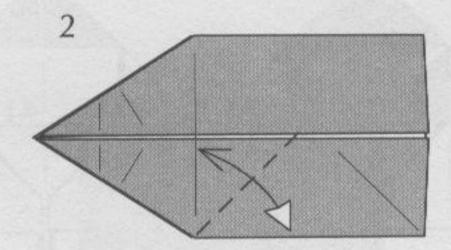


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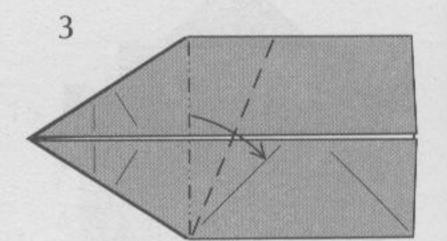
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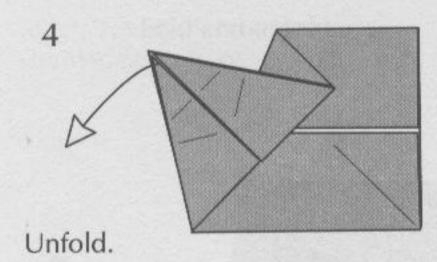


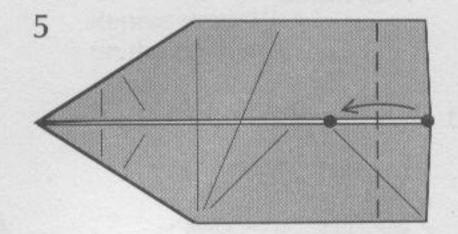
Fold and unfold on the left. Fold and unfold the top layer on the lower right.

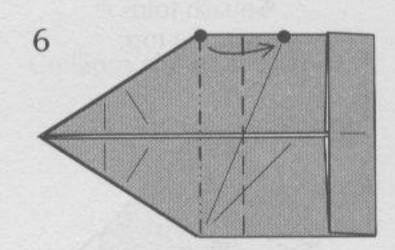


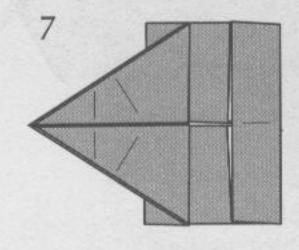
Fold and unfold the lower half.



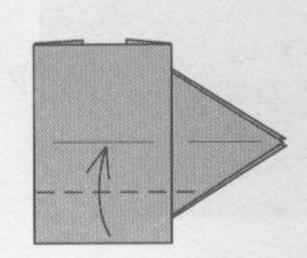


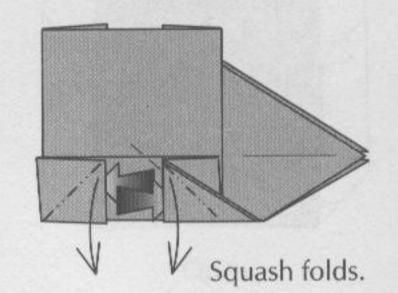


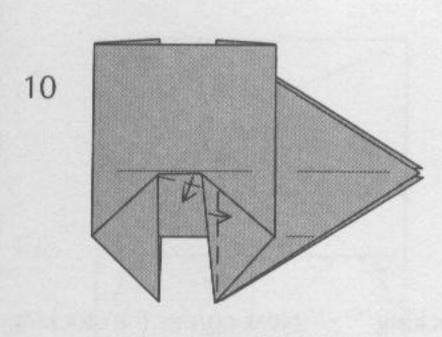




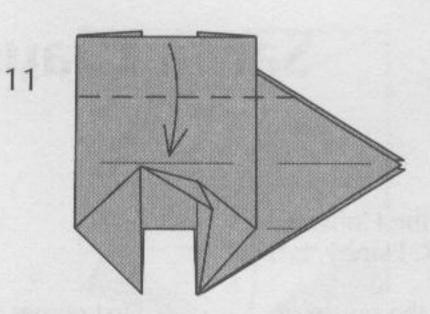




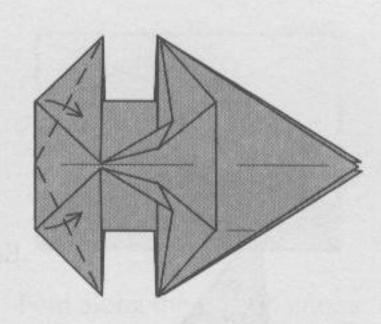


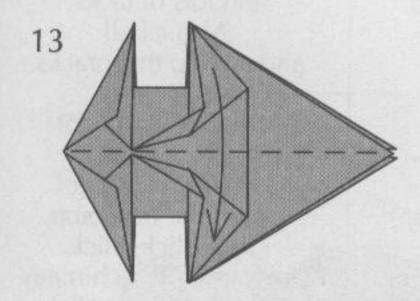


Squash-fold.

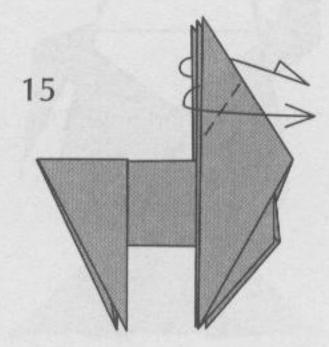


Repeat steps 8-10 on the top.

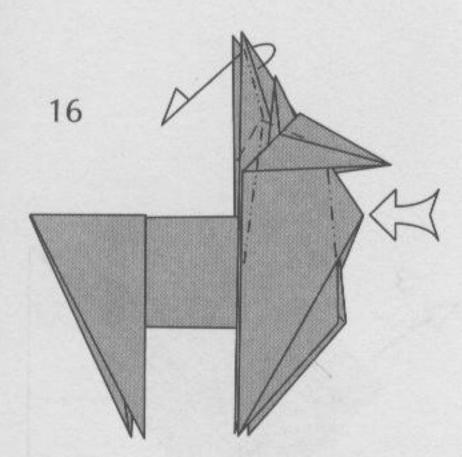




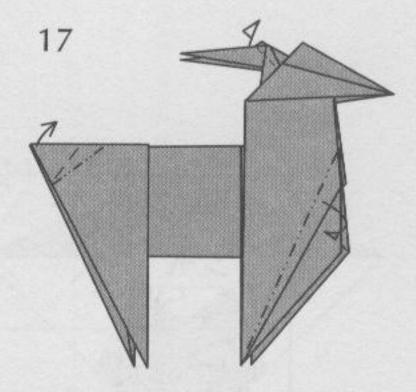
Outside-reverse-fold.



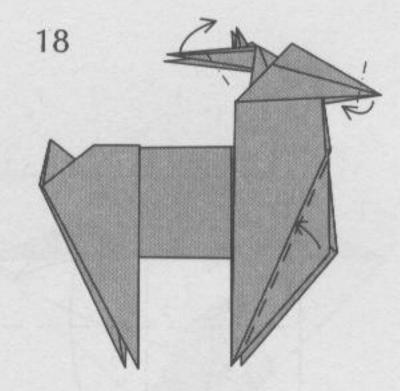
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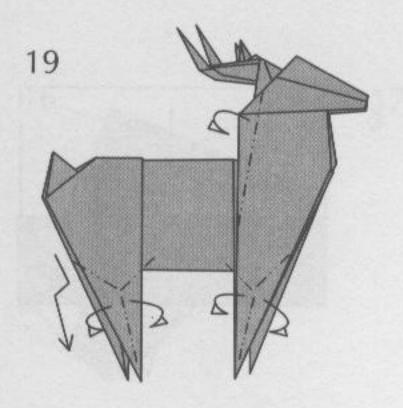
Sink the neck. Rabbit-ear all the layers together and repeat behind.



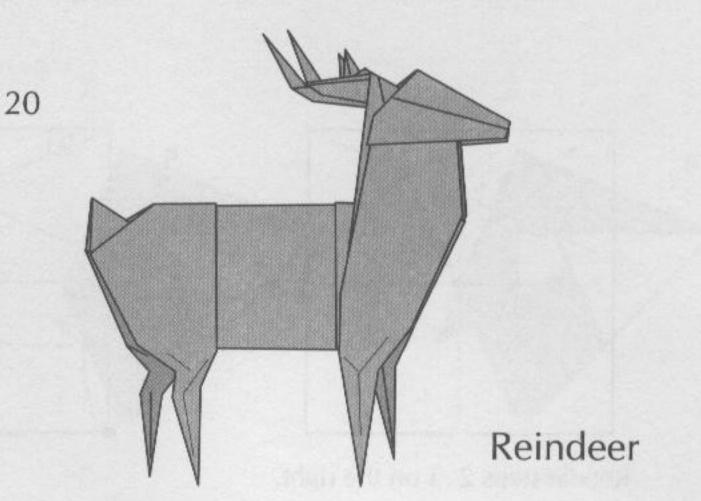
Fold the hidden layer at the horns, fold inside at the front legs, and crimp-fold the tail. Repeat behind.



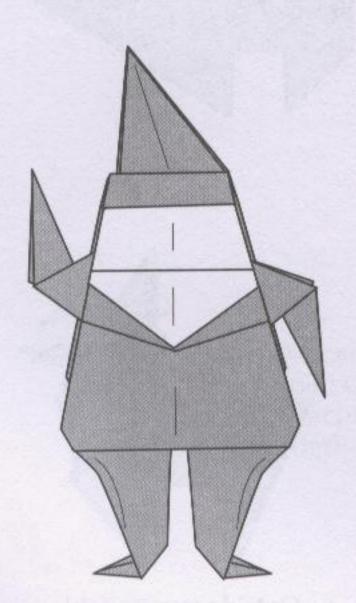
Tuck inside at the legs, reverse-fold the horns and tip of the head. Repeat behind.



Repeat behind.



### Santa Claus

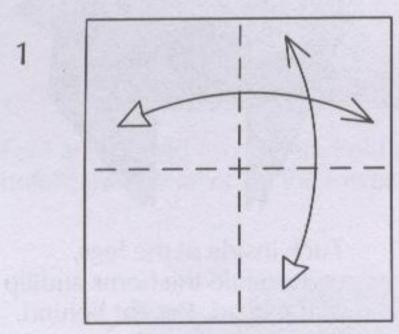


Up on the Housetop Benjamin R. Hanby, c. 1860

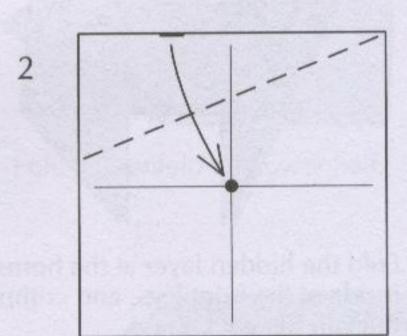
Up on the housetop reindeer pause, Out jumps good old Santa Claus. Down thru' the chimney with lots of toys, All for the little ones, Christmas joys. Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go! Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go! Up on the housetop, click, click, click, Down thru' the chimney with good Saint Nick.

First comes the stocking of little Nell, Oh, dear Santa fill it well; Give her a dolly that laughs and cries One that will open and shut her eyes. Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go! Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go! Up on the housetop, click, click, click, Down thru' the chimney with good Saint Nick.

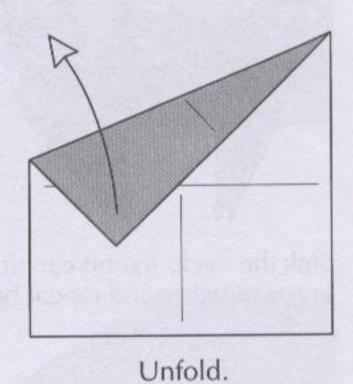
Next comes the stocking of little Will, Oh just see what a glorious fill. Here is a hammer and lots of tacks, Also a ball and a whip that cracks. Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go! Ho, ho, ho! Who wouldn't go! Up on the housetop, click, click, click, Down thru' the chimney with good Saint Nick.



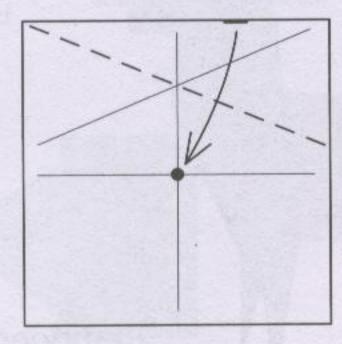
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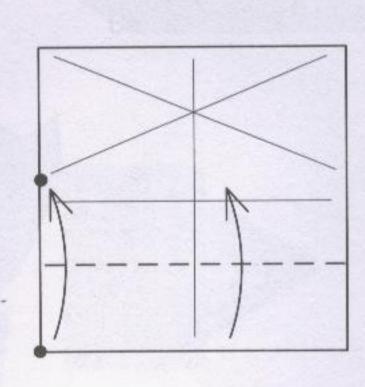
Bring the edge to the center.



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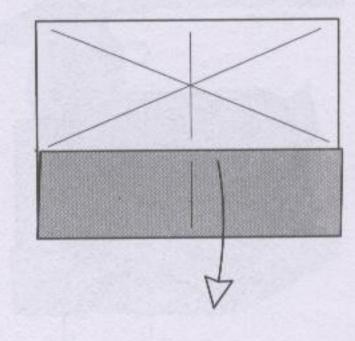


Repeat steps 2-3 on the right.



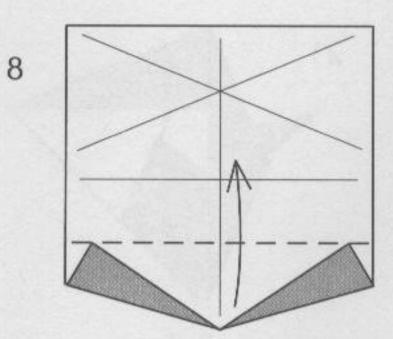
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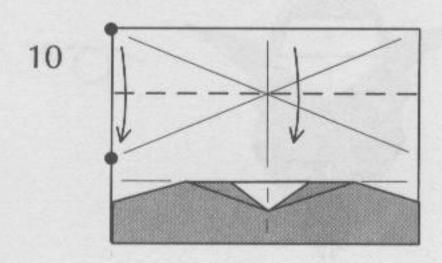


Unfold.

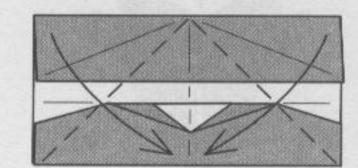
Bring the corners to the crease.

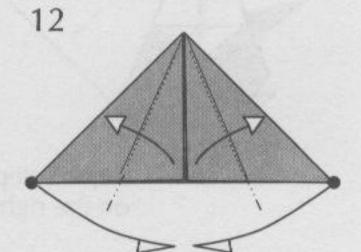


Fold along the hidden crease.

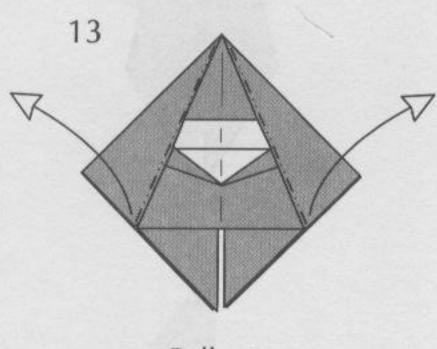




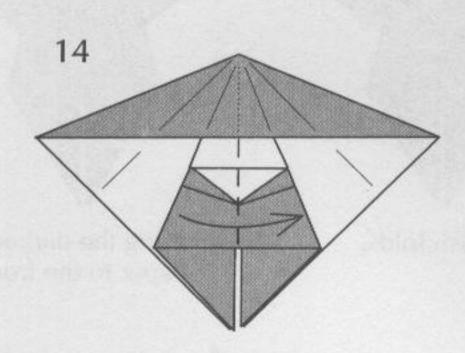




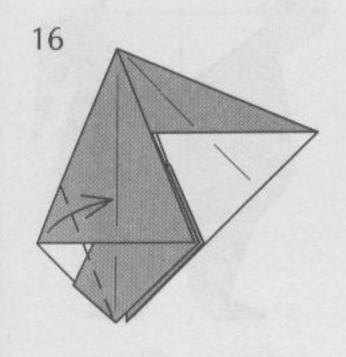
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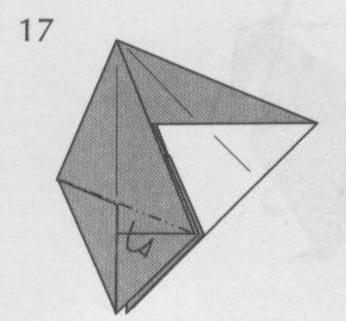


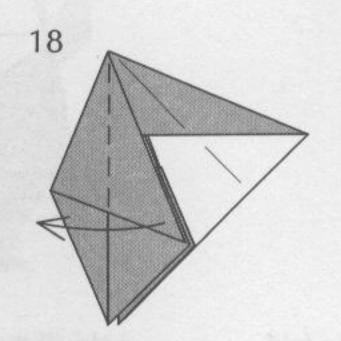
Pull out.

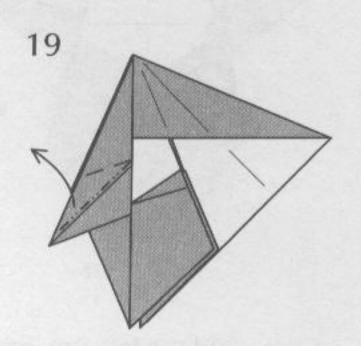


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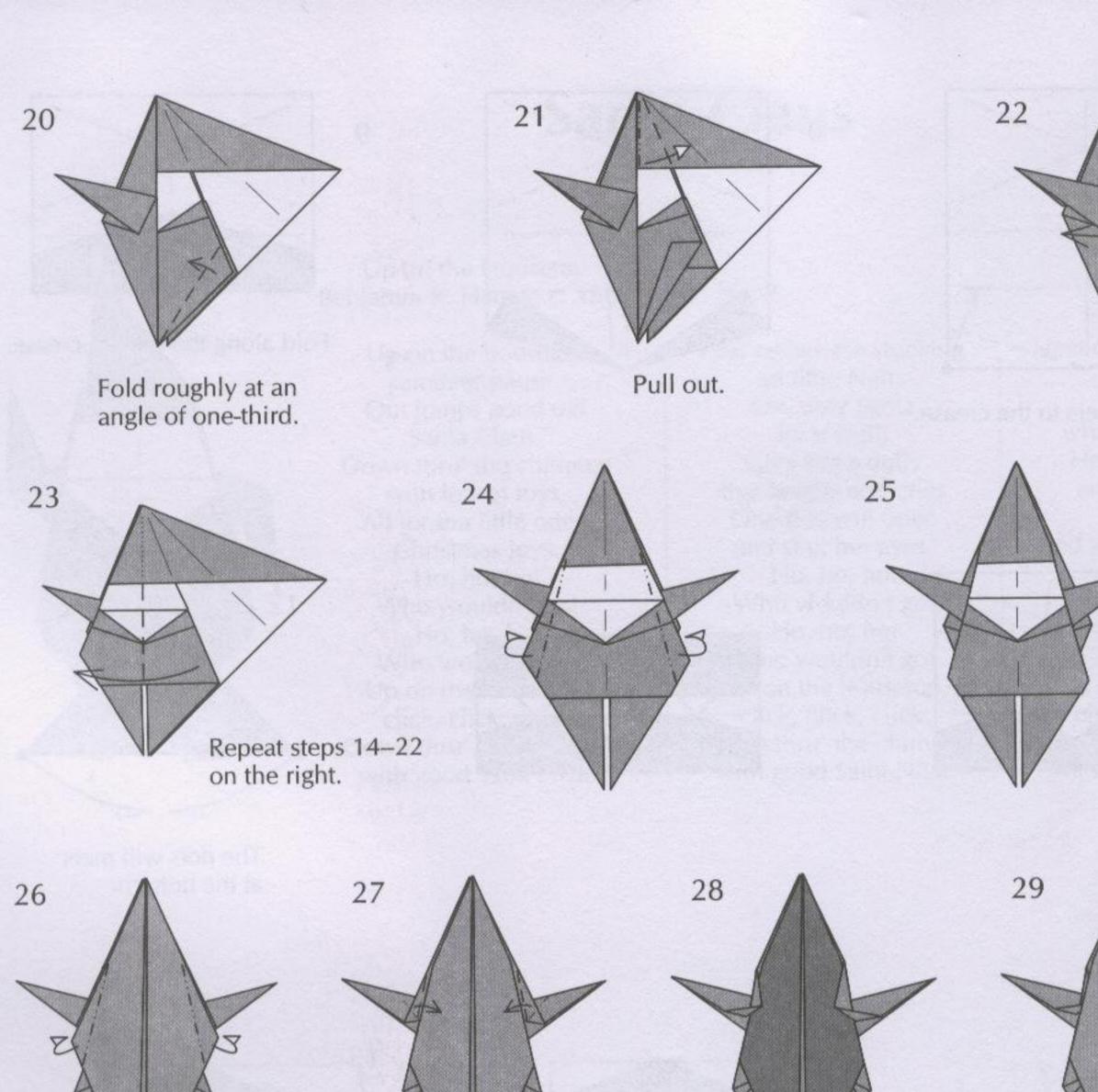


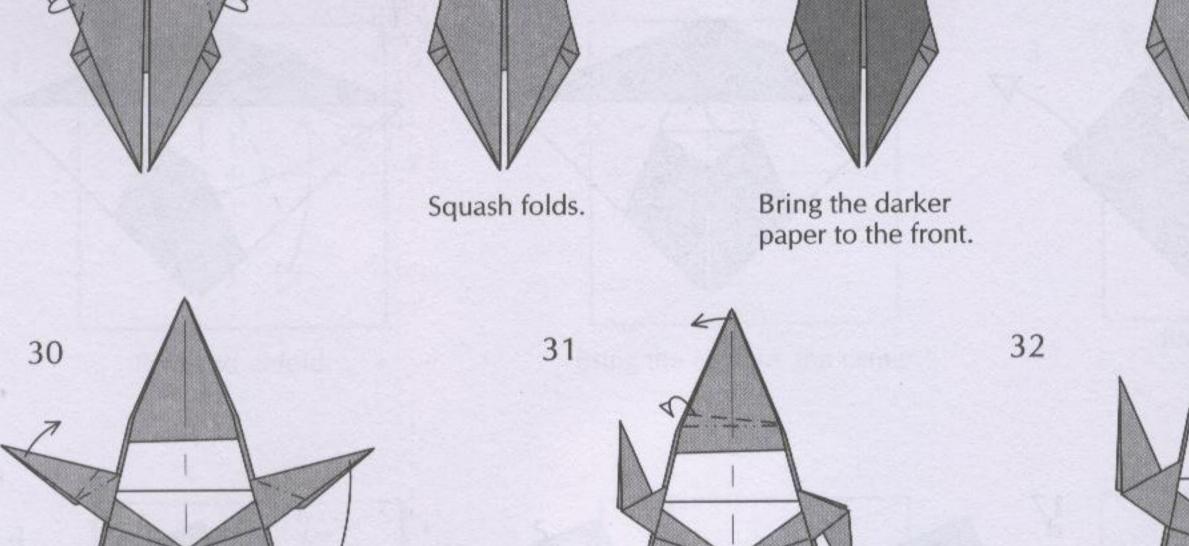


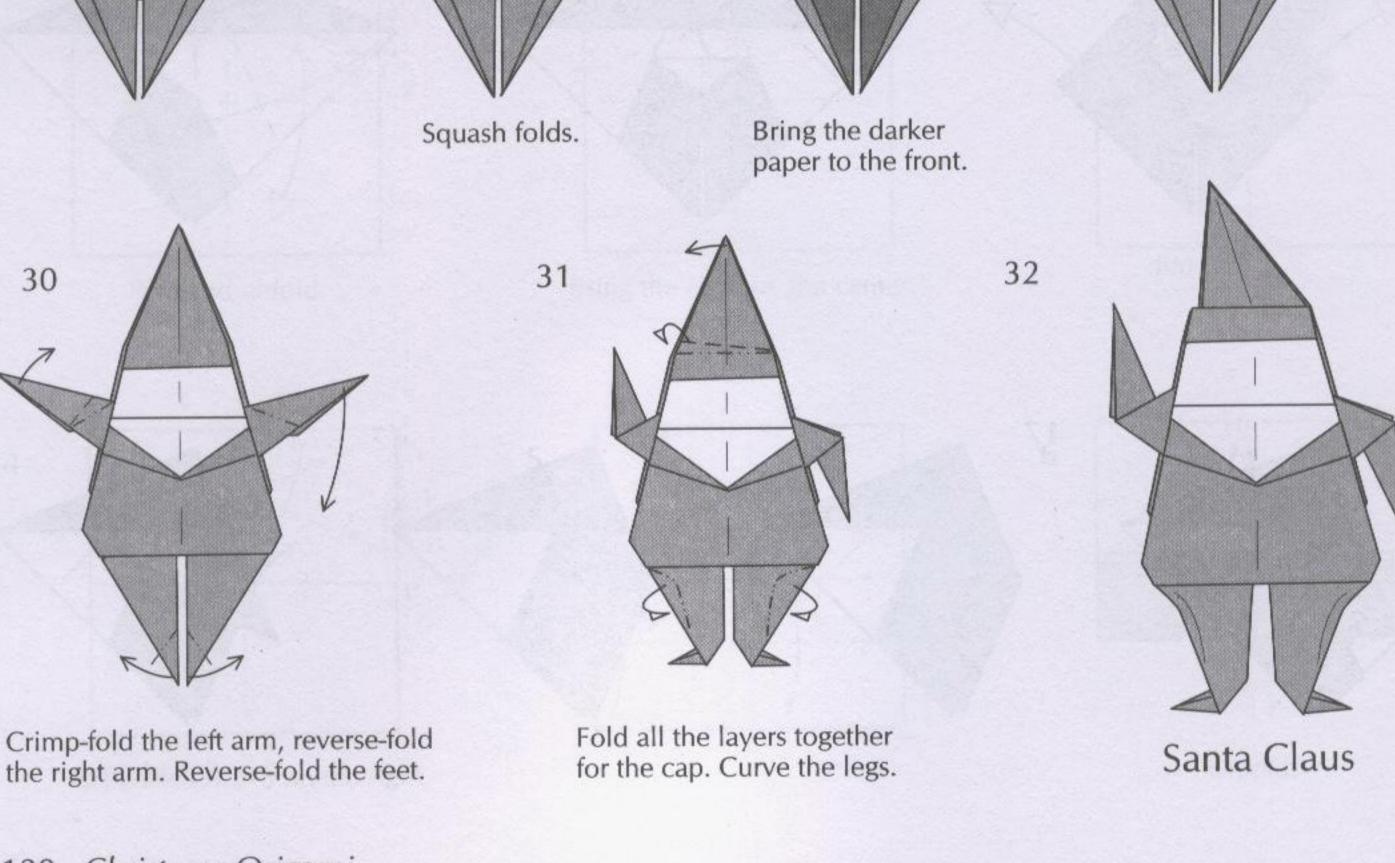


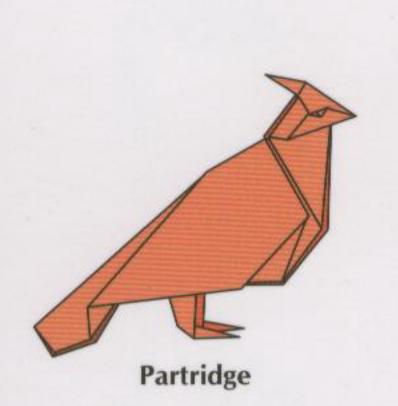


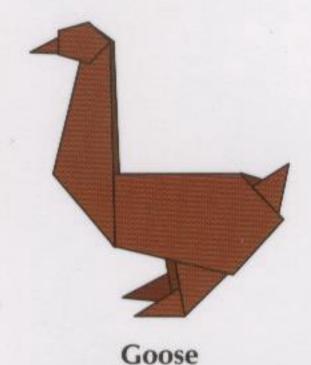
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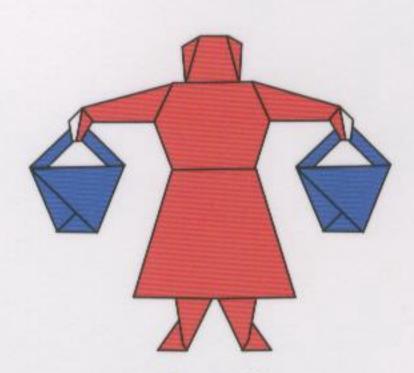


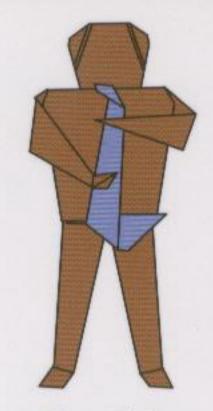












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