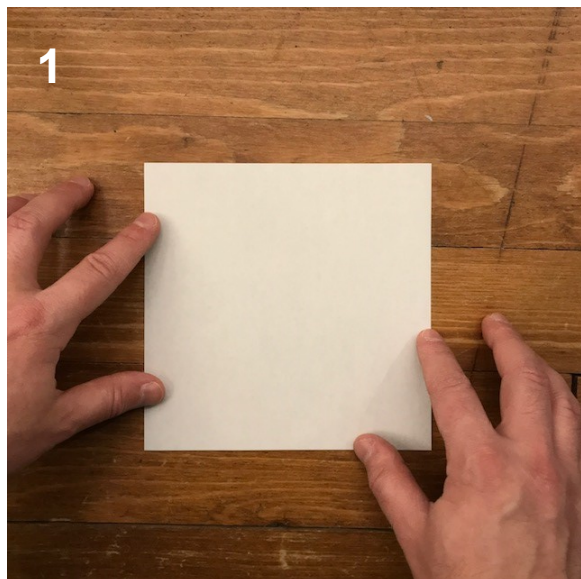
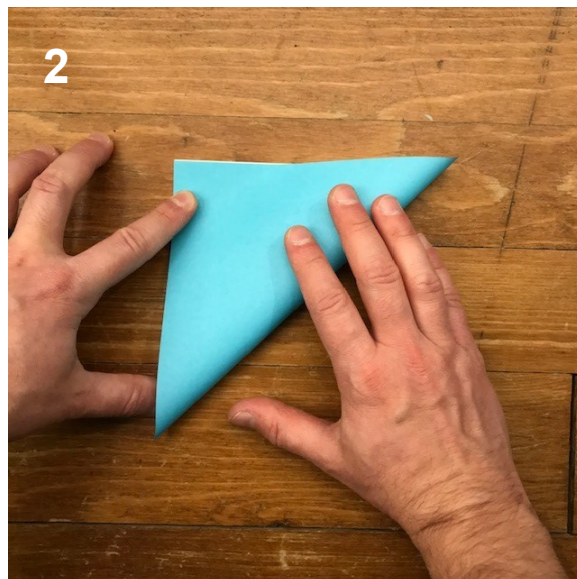


Make A Paper Boat!

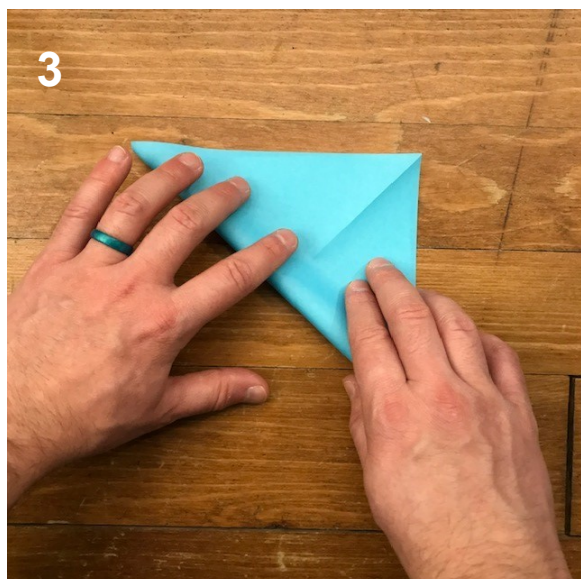
Making a real kayak is hard work, but making this little paper boat is much easier! Just follow the steps in order, and you'll have your own paper boat.



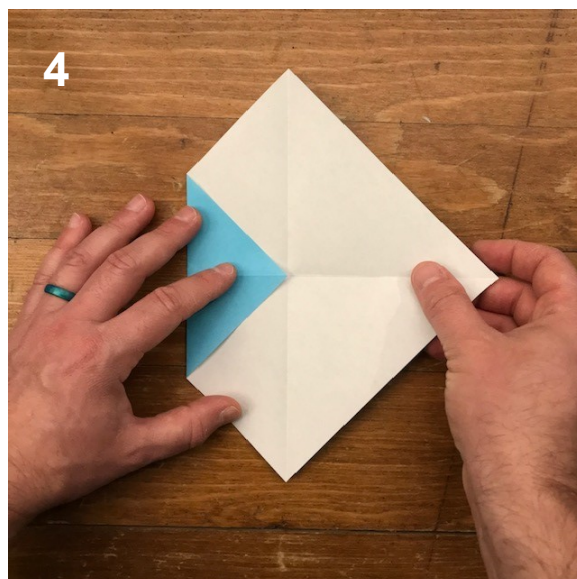
Start with a square piece of paper. We have used origami paper in these illustrations.



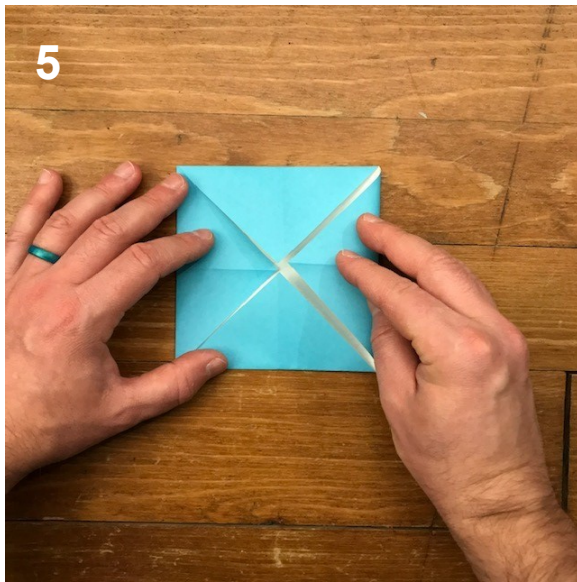
Fold the paper in half on the diagonal.



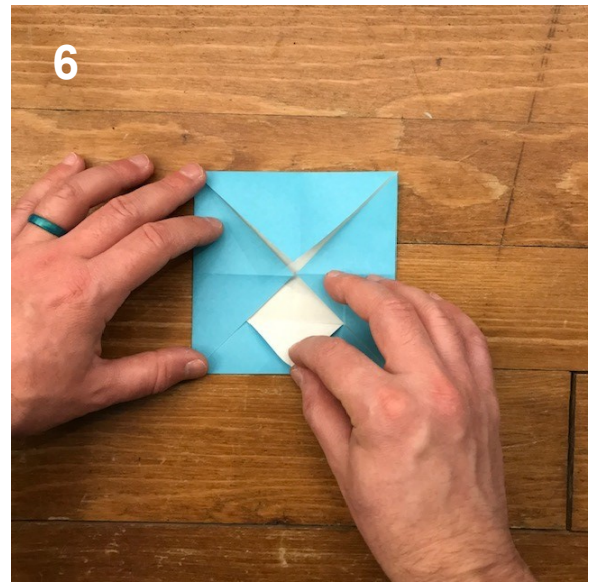
Unfold the paper, then fold it in half on the other diagonal. The creases will help you line up your next folds.



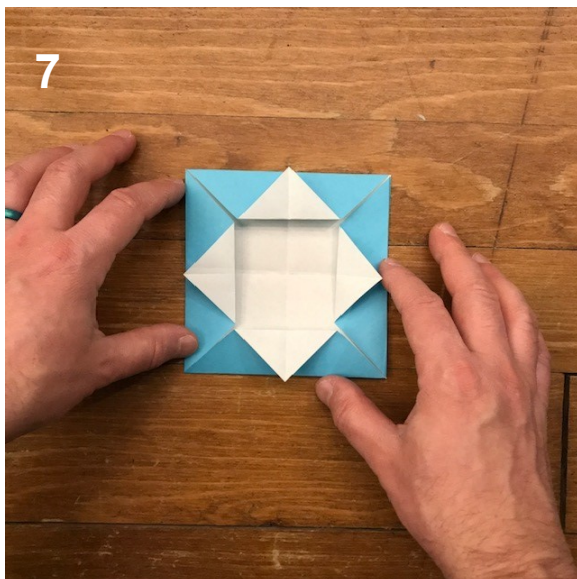
Unfold the paper. Fold each corner into the middle of the paper, where the creases you just made meet.



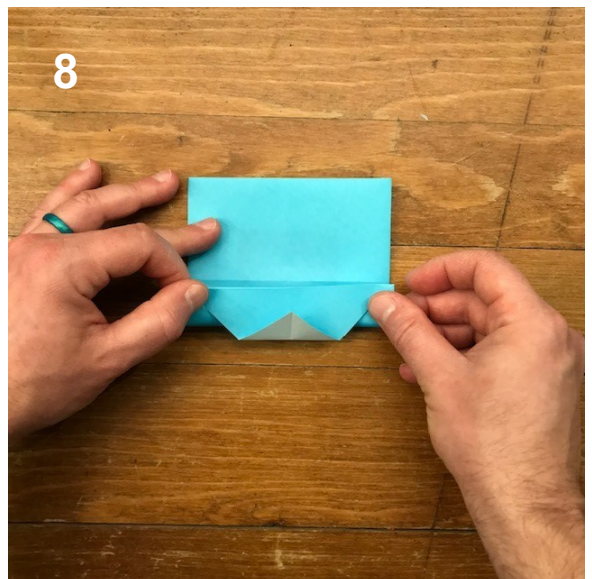
Your paper should now look like this.



Starting from the middle, fold back each point until it touches the outer edge of the square.

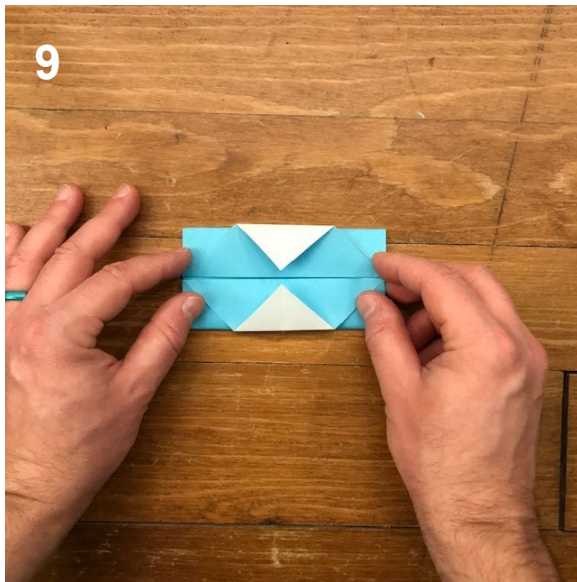


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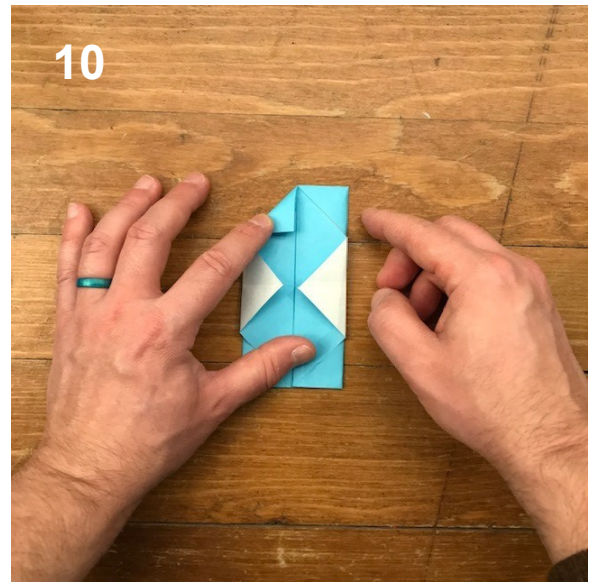


FLIP YOUR PAPER OVER!

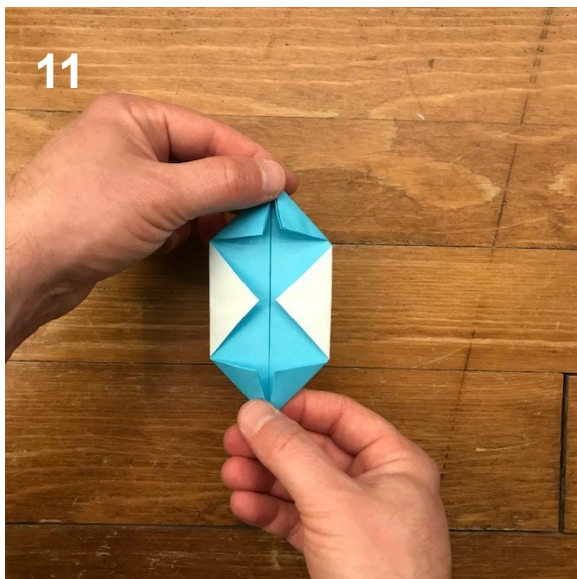
Fold one edge into the center to meet the crease there.



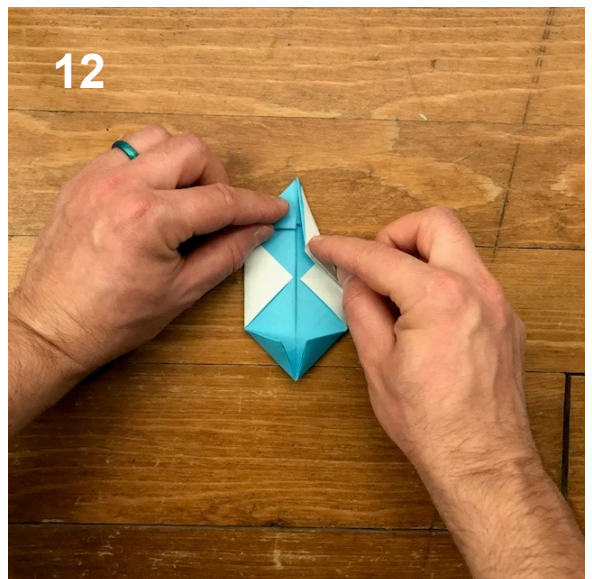
Fold the other edge into the center to meet the crease as well. Your paper should look like this.



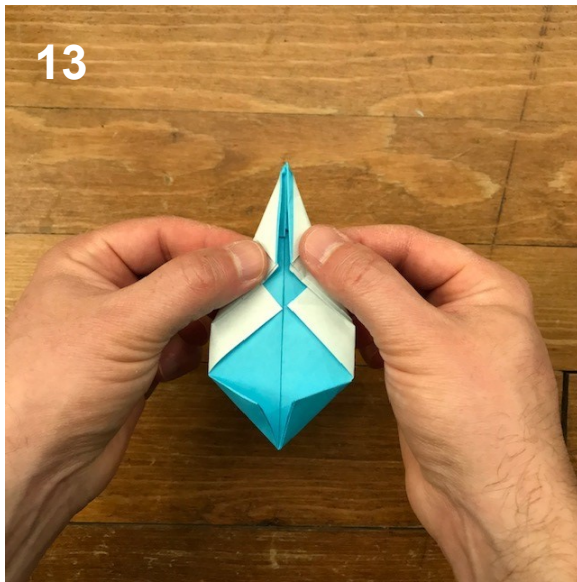
Fold down the four corners to make small triangles.



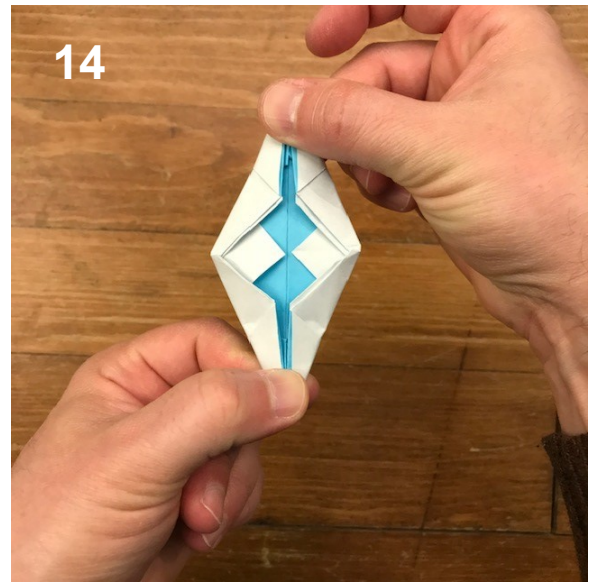
Your paper should look like this after you are done folding down the four corners.



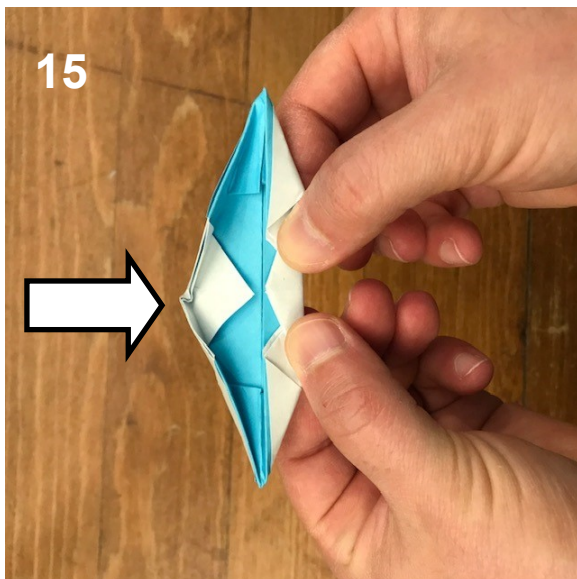
Fold the corners into the center again, making longer, thinner triangle shapes.



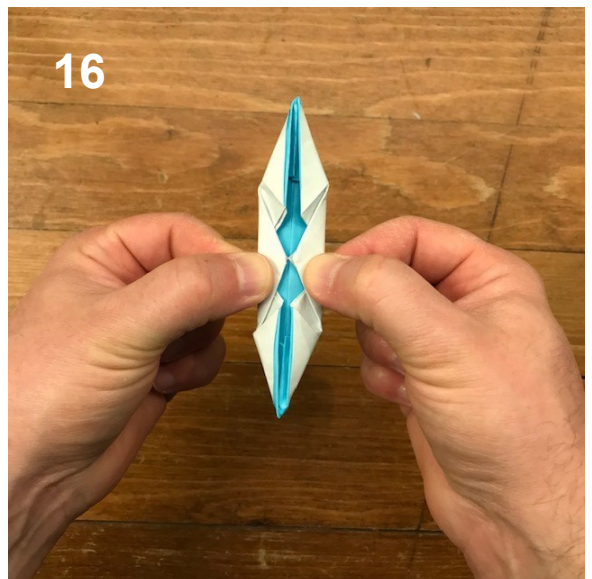
This fold can be hard; take your time!



Once all the corners are folded down again, your paper should look like this.



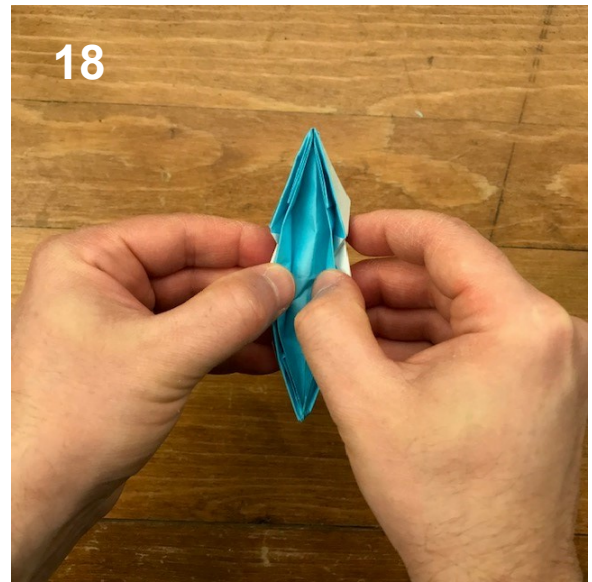
Now, fold the points on the two sides into the center.



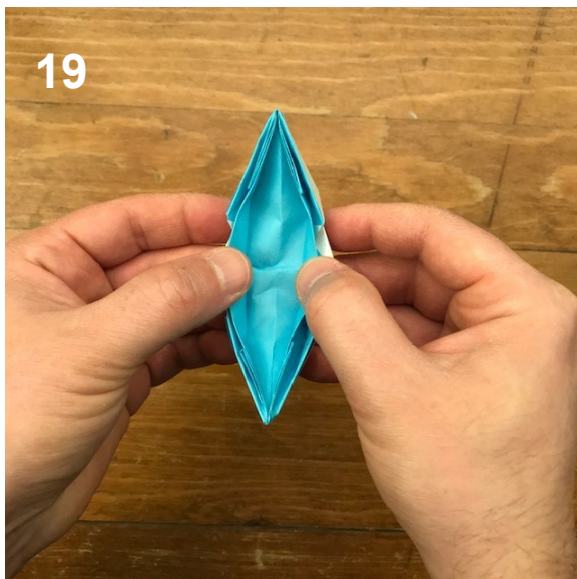
This is how your paper should look after folding the sides into the center.



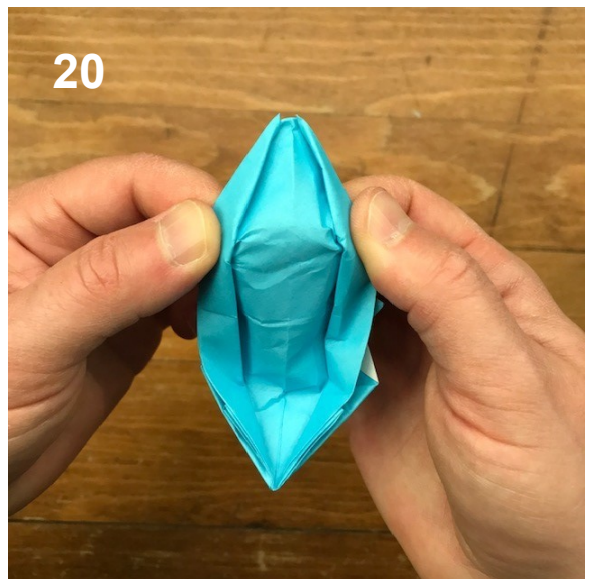
Holding both sides, gently fold the paper away from you. You will notice a seam opening up in the center of the paper.



Using your thumbs, gently widen the seam.



With your thumbs holding the seam open, use your fingers to push the paper towards you from the back. You will be turning your paper inside out!



Continue to gently press from the back with your fingers while holding the sides steady with your thumbs. Keep gently turning the paper inside out.



Now your paper is turned entirely inside out. This is the bottom of your boat.



Flip the boat over, and use your fingers to gently lift and shape the boat's "deck" at each end.



Remember to be gentle when shaping the deck.



Now your boat is complete!