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## ORIGAMI STAR - 5 POINT

### SUPPLIES & TOOLS

- Pentagon Shape paper\*
- Baker's Twine, Thin Cord, Ribbon, etc., for hanging star
- Paper Creaser
- Scissors

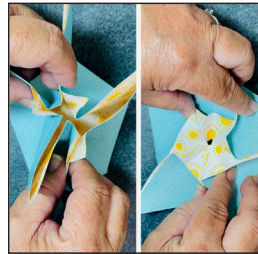
NOTE: You can use a program on a computer to create a Pentagon template. If using Word, choose the pentagon shape to insert onto a blank document. Increase the size of the shape by increasing the percentage of the design above 100%. This will keep your pentagon shape intact. Just stretching the design larger can distort the shape.



### INSTRUCTIONS



1. With the right side of the paper facing down, place your pentagon shaped paper in front of you with one point at the top and a straight edge on the bottom, Fold the paper in half, matching up the edges. Crease well and unfold. Turn the paper clockwise once so there is a new point at the top. Fold in half, crease well and unfold. Repeat three more times until each of the five points/corners has a mid-point crease.

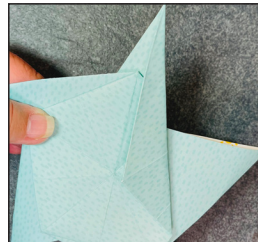


5. To create the star shape, grab the straight edges between all five corners and bring to the center.

Carefully push down and the star shape will form.



2. Bring the straight bottom edge up to the newly created creased line. Match the bottom corners to this creased line and make sure that the middle creased line matches the center point creased line. Crease well. Unfold. Turn the paper clockwise once and repeat. Repeat this step until all five sides have been folded up to make the creased line.



6. Turn the star over. You will see a small pentagon shape in the center. Take one corner of the pentagon and bring it to the center. Fold all the way to the point, creating a half layer on the point. Crease well. Repeat with the other four corners.



3. Lift the left side up along the newly creased line. At the same time, lift the bottom edge up at the creased line. Flatten both sides down, creating a triangular corner point between where the sides intersect.



7. For the last corner, you will need to tuck it under the first when you bring it to the center.



4. Pinch the triangular corner created where the two edges meet. Fold the point outward to the left. Crease well at the bottom of the point. Unfold. Turn the paper clockwise once and repeat. Repeat three more times until you have created the new creased line at the point for each section.



8. Finished star. You can use it to decorate anything like a card front, gift bag, photo frame, etc. Attach a cord or ribbon for hanging and use as a Christmas ornament on the tree or a wreath. Hang several in red, white and blue for Independence Day!

