

Happy Birthday!

When is your birthday? You celebrate your birthday because it is the day of the year you were born. But, did you know you have a second birthday?

Pentecost is the Church's birthday. At Pentecost, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit.



Suddenly a noise like a strong, blowing wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where the Apostles were sitting. They saw something like flames of fire that stood over each person there. They were filled with the Holy Spirit.

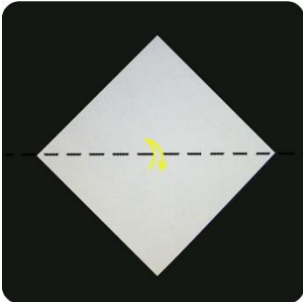
On that day, about three thousand people listened to the Apostles and were baptised! These people were among the first Christians. The Church was born!

Because you are part of the body of the Church, Pentecost is your birthday as well.

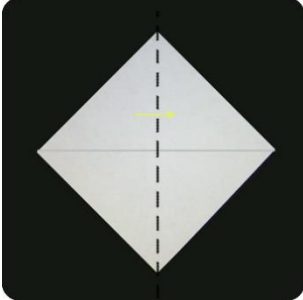
The symbols of the Holy Spirit are a flame, wind and a dove.

Pentecost is on Sunday 31st May. To celebrate, **make** either an origami dove (to represent the Spirit), a kite (to represent the wind that blew at Pentecost), or a flame hat (to represent the tongues of fire). Have fun!

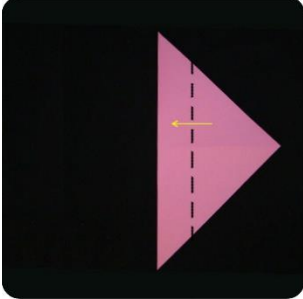
Origami Dove Instructions



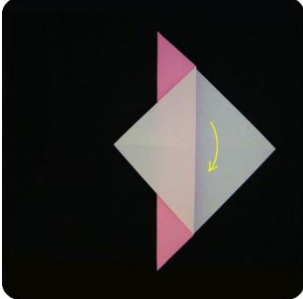
Step 1: Fold and unfold the paper in half as shown. Make sure the paper is square.



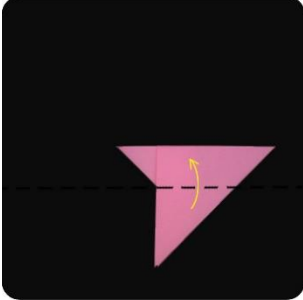
Step 2: Fold the paper in half (left side on top of right side).



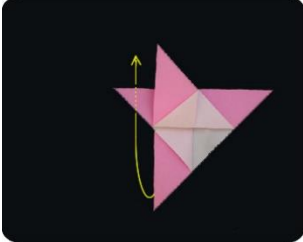
Step 3: Fold the top layer back towards the left: fold at about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the distance from the folded edge.



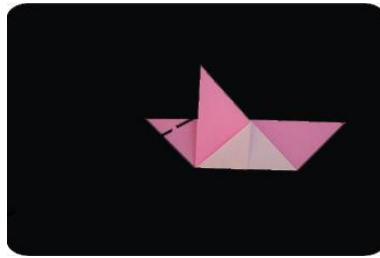
Step 4: Fold the model in half (top to bottom).



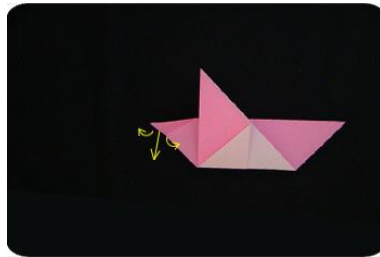
Step 5: Fold the bottom section up. This will be the wing of the dove.



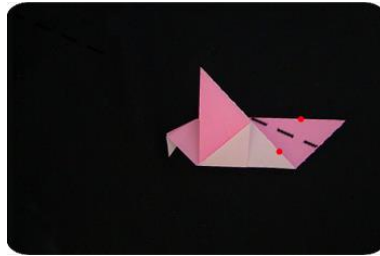
Step 6: Repeat behind: fold the bottom layer up and behind the model.



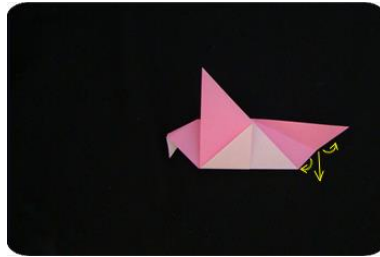
Step 7: To make dove's head, fold the left side down at an angle as shown. Unfold.



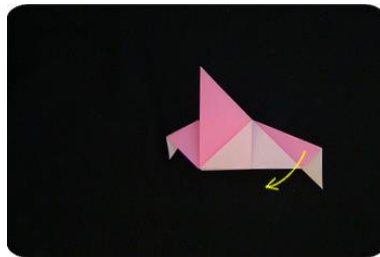
Step 8: Pry open the two layers of paper and push the tip of the paper down in between the layers of paper.



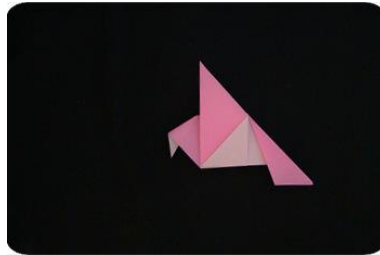
Step 9: Now we work on the tail (right side of model). Fold the top of the tail down so it meets the raw edge of the wing (connect red dots). Unfold.



Step 10: Do the inside reverse fold on the tail: pry open the two layers of paper and push the tip of the paper down in between the layers of paper.



Step 11: You can leave it here and call it done. Or, you can fold the tail down one more time so the back of the tail is at the same angle as the back of the wing.



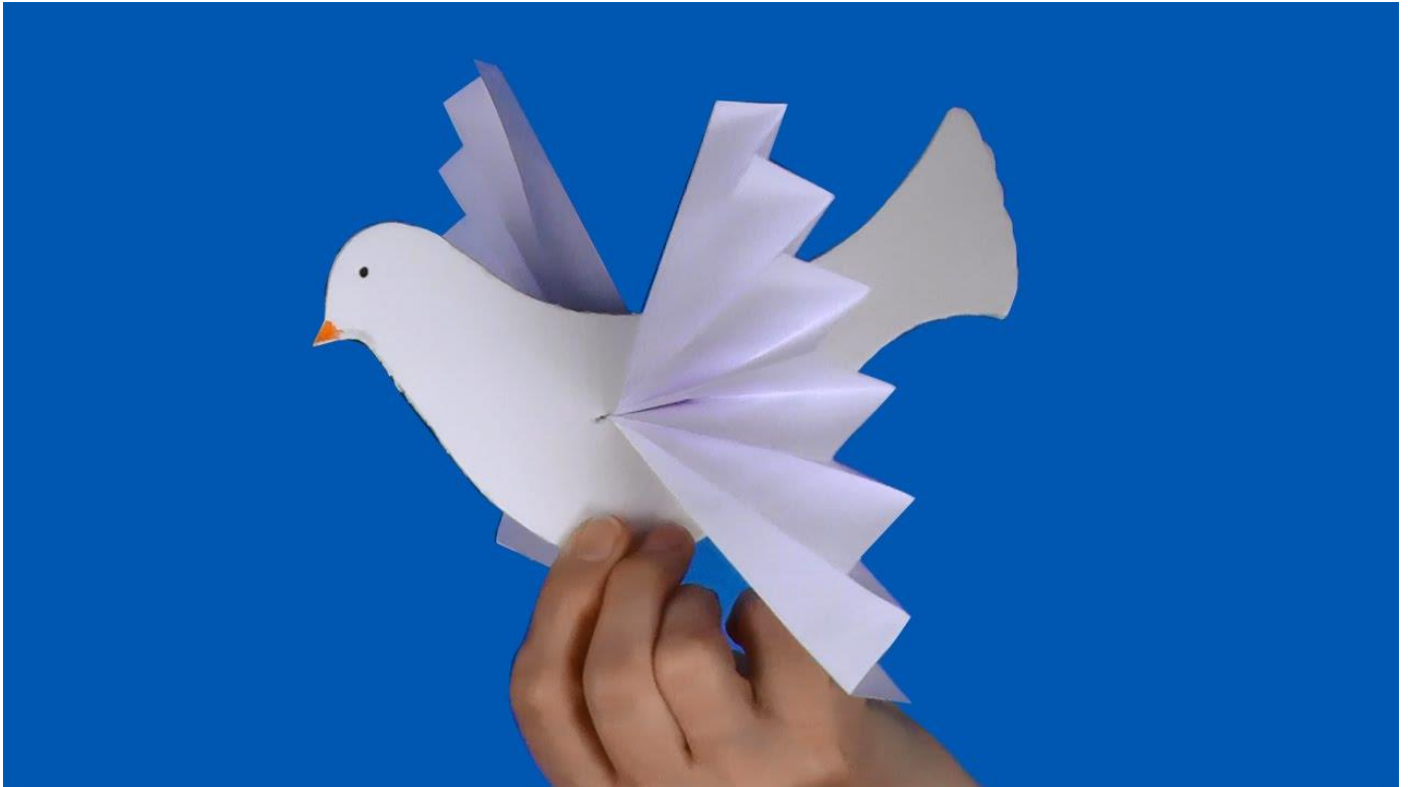
Both versions look great.

(<http://make-origami.com/origami-dove/>)

Peace Dove Instructions

You will need:

- Two pieces of paper
- Scissors
- Sticky tape
- A pencil



First, we **draw** a dove silhouette on a piece of paper.

Cut around what you have drawn.

Fold the dove in half loosely.

Carefully **cut** over the fold to create a slit.

Next, **fold** your other piece of paper into a fan.

Push the fan through the slit in the silhouette.

Flame Hat Instructions



Cut out all the pieces of the flame template (on the next page).

Use the flame pieces as templates to **trace** them onto red, yellow and orange paper.

Cut out the flame pieces and glue the pieces together.

Cut strips of red card to make the headband.

Ask your parent to put it around your head and use the tape to hold it in place.

Stick the flame to the front of the headband.



Kite Instructions

Watch the instruction video by clicking [here](#).

You will need:

- A4 piece of coloured paper
- Wooden dowels or skewers
- String
- Paper streamers or ribbon
- Sticky tape



Fold the top right and top left of the paper in towards the middle.



Tie the string around where the two dowels meet.



Stick the dowel or skewer onto the middle of the page.



Secure the ribbon or paper streamer.



Stick the folds over the dowel.



Fold over the bottom right and bottom left of the paper and tape them down.

The paper is now a diamond shape.

Turn the kite over and give it a spin!



Stick another dowel just underneath the fold.