

Origami Candle

There are traditional origami candle models, but they are very, very difficult! We've cheated a little, therefore, to create this origami candle for kids to fold, but the finished result is very good!

We have candle holder instructions, too, which make the origami candle perfect for a Christmas display. Alternatively, cut out a cardboard Menorah and use the candles for Hanukkah, or use colored paper to make a kimara for Kwanzaa.



With coloured-side up, fold your paper in half vertically and open up again.



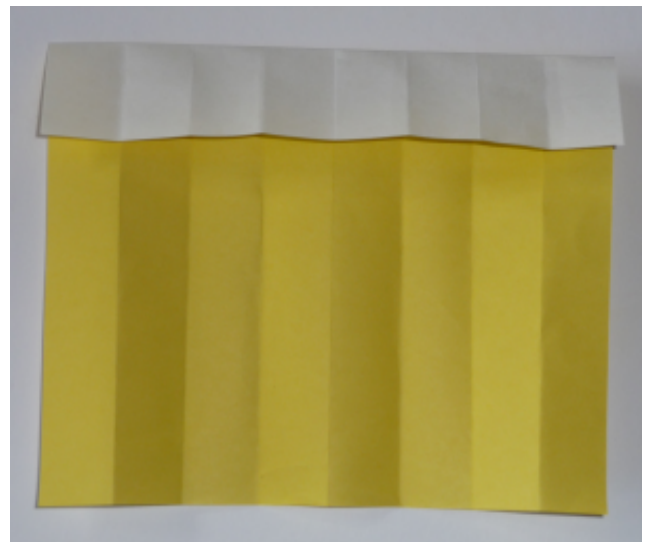
Fold the edges in to meet the middle. Crease well.



Fold the edges in again. Crease well again.

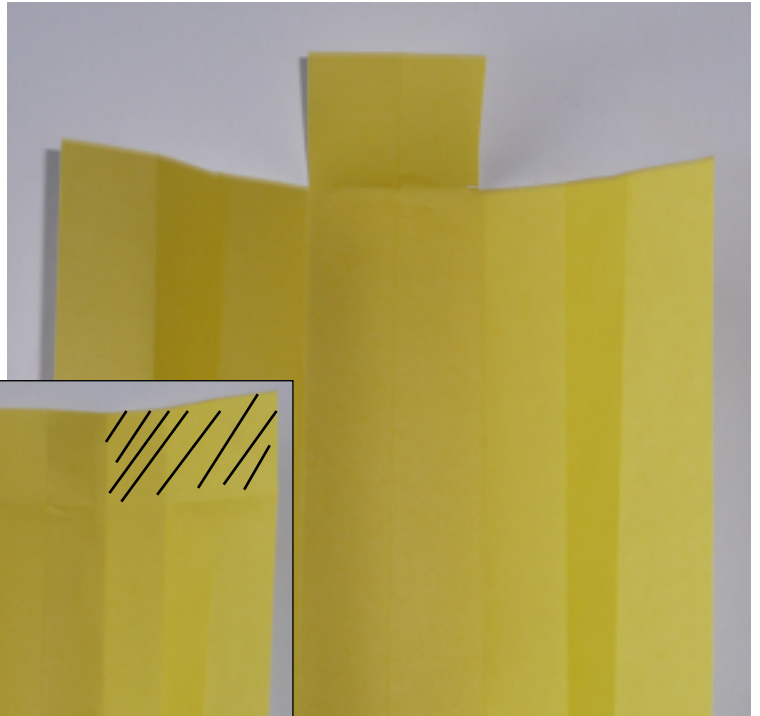
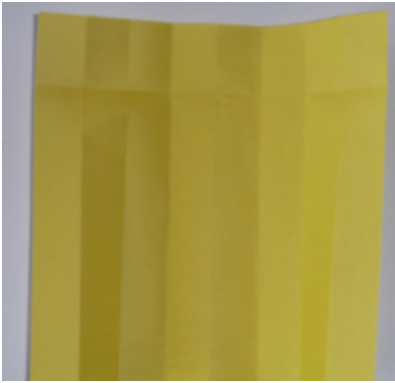


Now undo all your folds and open your paper out again!



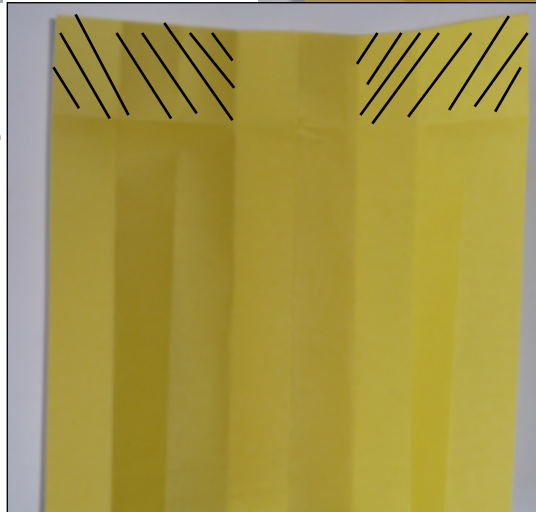
Fold the top edge down, as shown.

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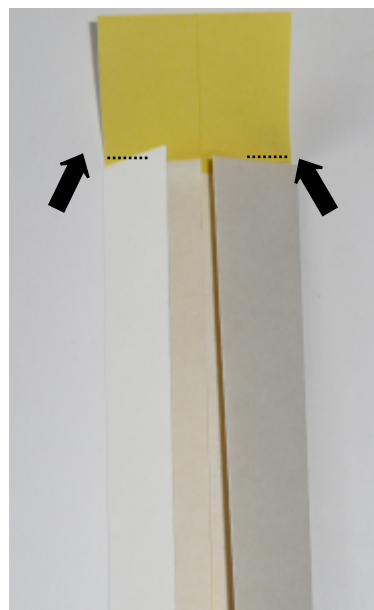


Unfold again.

Now, with a pair of scissors, Use the crease lines you have made to cut away 3 sections on either side of the paper, leaving the 2 middle sections intact.



Fold the sides back in again.



Make 2 more little snips with the scissors, as shown.

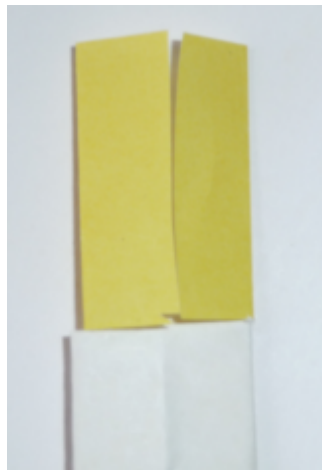
Fold the sides in one more time, leaving the "flame" clear at the top.



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Flip over.



Fold the edges of the flame into the middle.

Shape the flame by folding in the top and bottom corners diagonally, as shown.



Your candle is finished. You may want to put a small amount of glue under the flaps of the body of the candle to hold it in place.