

# Art at home!

## Origami Pencil Holder

Bored at home? Try origami. Origami is a versatile activity that people of all ages can do.

Origami is the art of folding paper, and is a traditional Japanese art or technique. “Ori-” means folding, and “-gami” means paper.

This activity shows you how to make a six-post pencil holder. It's a great way to pass the time, and an excellent tool for organizing not only pencils or pens, but paintbrushes too!



### Materials:

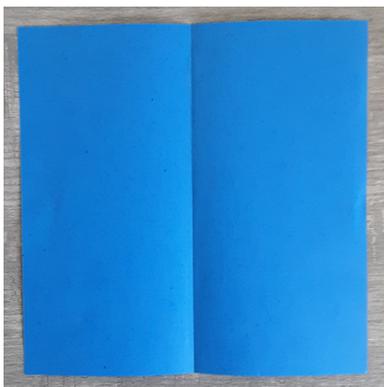
- Seven pieces of construction paper or Origami paper, which can be used, though the pencil holder won't be as functional.
- Tape.
- Scissors.
- Glue.
- Optional: colored pencils, markers, etc.

### How to:



Gather your materials.

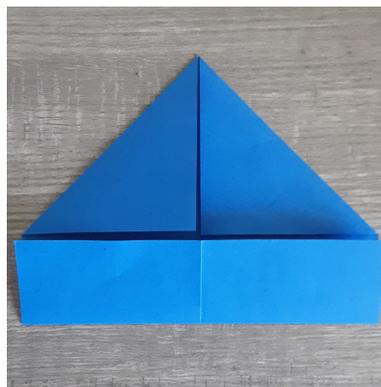
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Fold your paper in half. Make sure it is long-ways if you're making it with construction paper.



Fold the top corners of the paper toward the center to form two triangles.



Fold the bottom portion of the paper up and in half. The new shape should resemble a party hat.



Fold the flat edges of the paper towards the middle line.



Slide one of the sides into the other, and add tape or glue to hold it in place.



Repeat steps 2–6 five more times to make more compartments for your pencil holder.



Attach each folded piece to the other ones with glue or tape.



Put glue on the bottom of your new pencil holder to attach it to your last piece of paper. Let it dry, then cut the excess paper off.



That's it! Have fun making your pencil or pen holder!

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