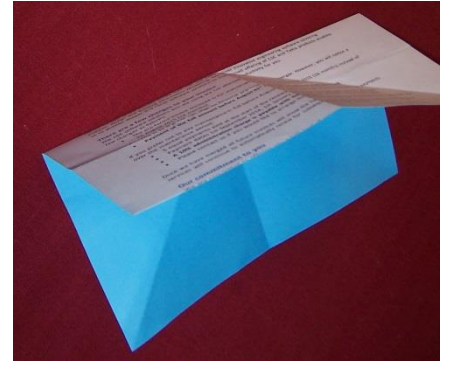
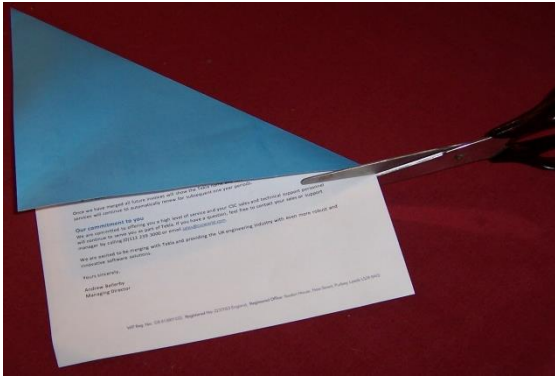


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How to make a box from folded copy paper

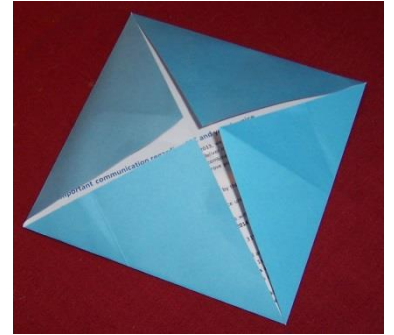
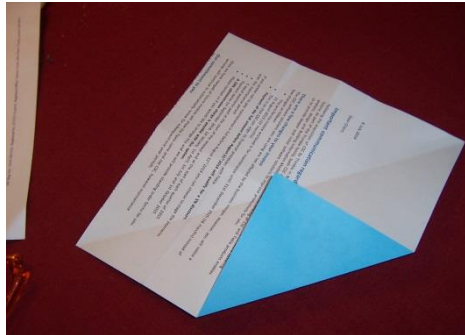
Tip: only one side of the paper will show, so you can recycle any paper which has one decent patterned or plain side. You could print or draw a pattern onto the back of an old A4 letter to use as the lid, and use another, white side out, for the base. Try it out first using a square cut from an old magazine.



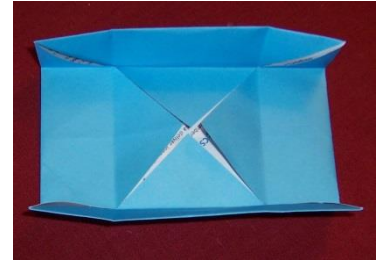
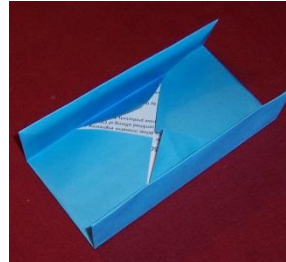
Start with the **LID** of your box. First prepare a perfect 21cm square. Crease it by folding it squarely side to side twice, with the side which will become the outside facing **inwards**.

Now open it out again and **TURN IT OVER** to work from the back, inside facing up.

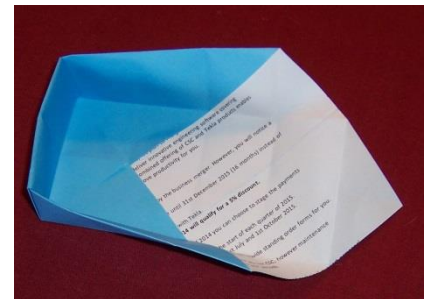
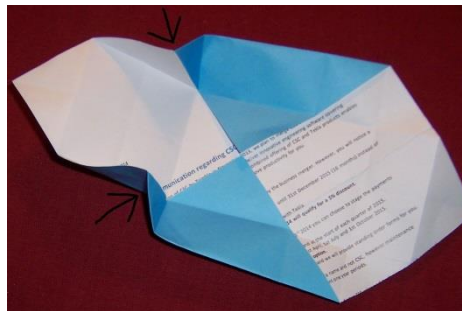
Using the squared creases as a guide, fold each of the corners to the middle.



Crease opposite sides by folding them towards the middle of the square as shown: first top and bottom sides, then right and left sides.



Open up two of the corners.



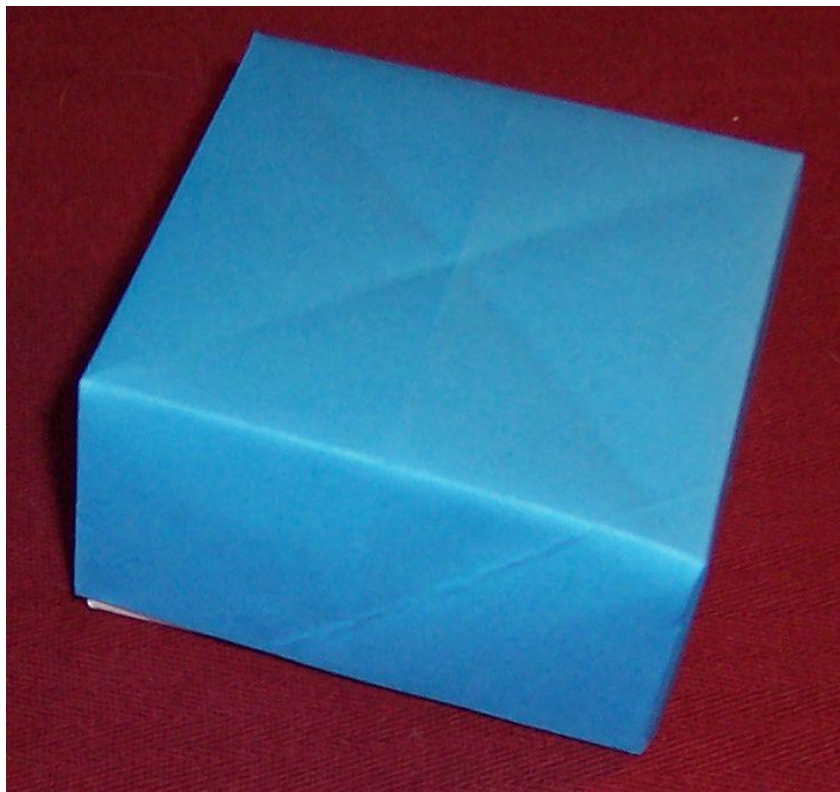
Hold up opposite sides and at the same time pinch in the corners of the flap at the side as shown: this fold should reverse itself easily because of the crossed creases you made at the beginning. Fold this box side up, bend it over its crease and tuck it inside to form a crisp side. Repeat for the other side.

Box flaps should stay in position on their own, but you can put a dot of glue under the flaps if you like.



Bottom of the Box

To make the bottom of the box, take another A4 sheet and cut it square as before, but this time trim about half a centimetre off two adjacent sides. This is completed as for the lid, but will fit snugly inside the lid.



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