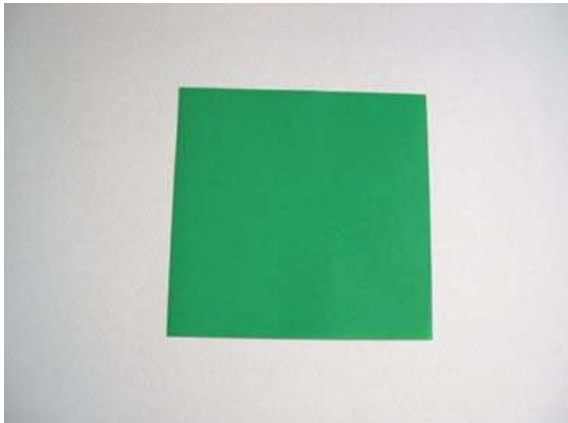
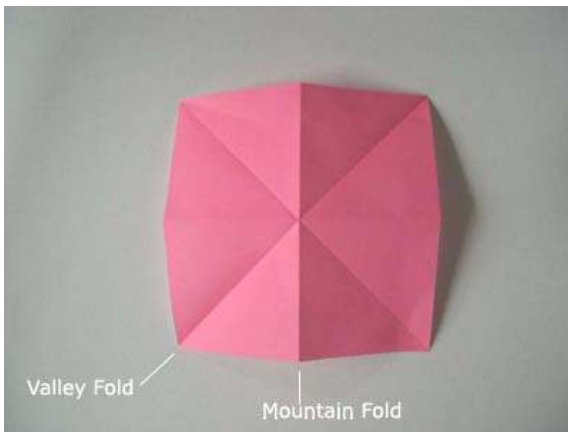


ORIGAMI FROG

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Start with a square piece of paper (green makes convincing frogs). Now make a square base.



Fold it on the diagonals, as well as on the North-South and East-West lines, as shown below. Note that the type of fold is important.

A **mountain fold** means folding the halves away from you, so that the fold sticks up from the table, like a mountain.

A **valley fold** means folding the halves away towards you, so that the fold is lower than the halves, like a valley.

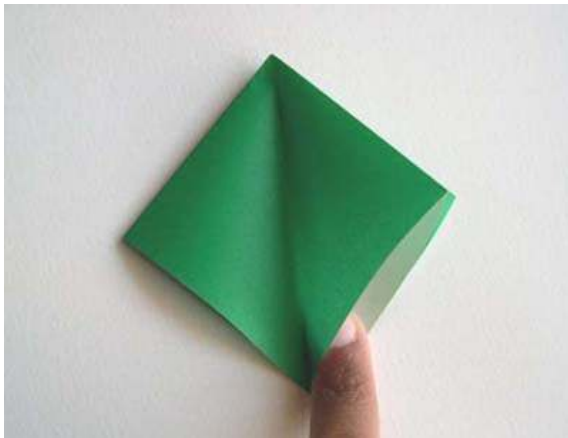
Place the colored side of the paper upwards, then fold the diagonals as valley folds, and the N-S and E-W folds as mountain folds, below left.



Now it will be very easy to simply collapse the piece of paper along the fold lines.



It will collapse right into a square folded piece of paper. This is your square base!



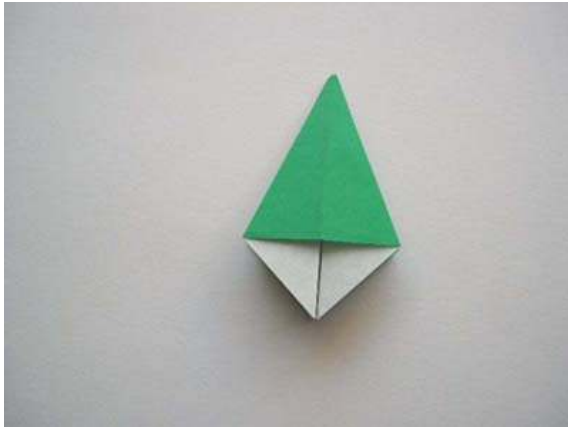
Next insert your finger in one of the pockets in the square base.



Move the pocket around to the front, then flatten and crease it. This classic origami move is known as the **squash fold**.



Photo to the left shows one of the squash folds completed. Now perform the squash fold three more times...



...until the piece has the diamond shape shown.



Next fold and unfold the corners as shown, to make crease marks.



Next is another classic origami move, the **petal fold**. Here's the completed petal fold on the right.

Now perform the petal fold three more times (on the other three faces of the diamond), to create the **frog base**



Fold the frog base down the centerline as shown



Then fold the lower edges of one layer into the centerline.



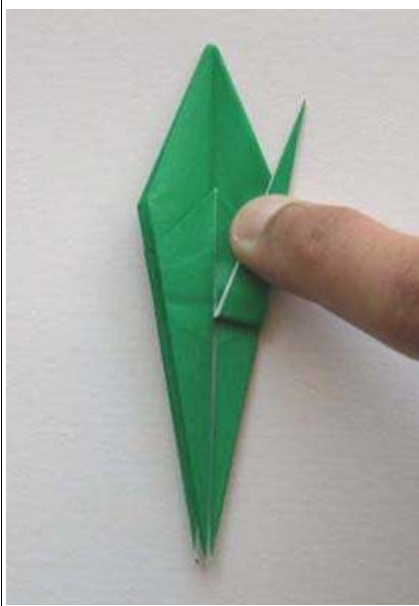
Now fold edge A to edge B as shown by the arrow.



Then perform the previous three steps again, 3 more times...



...until the piece looks like this.



Now it's time to turn the tadpole into a frog!

I like to pre-crease the leg...



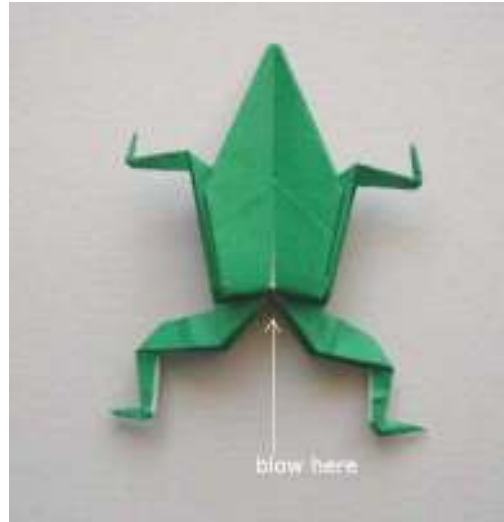
...then use **reverse folds** to create the two front legs.



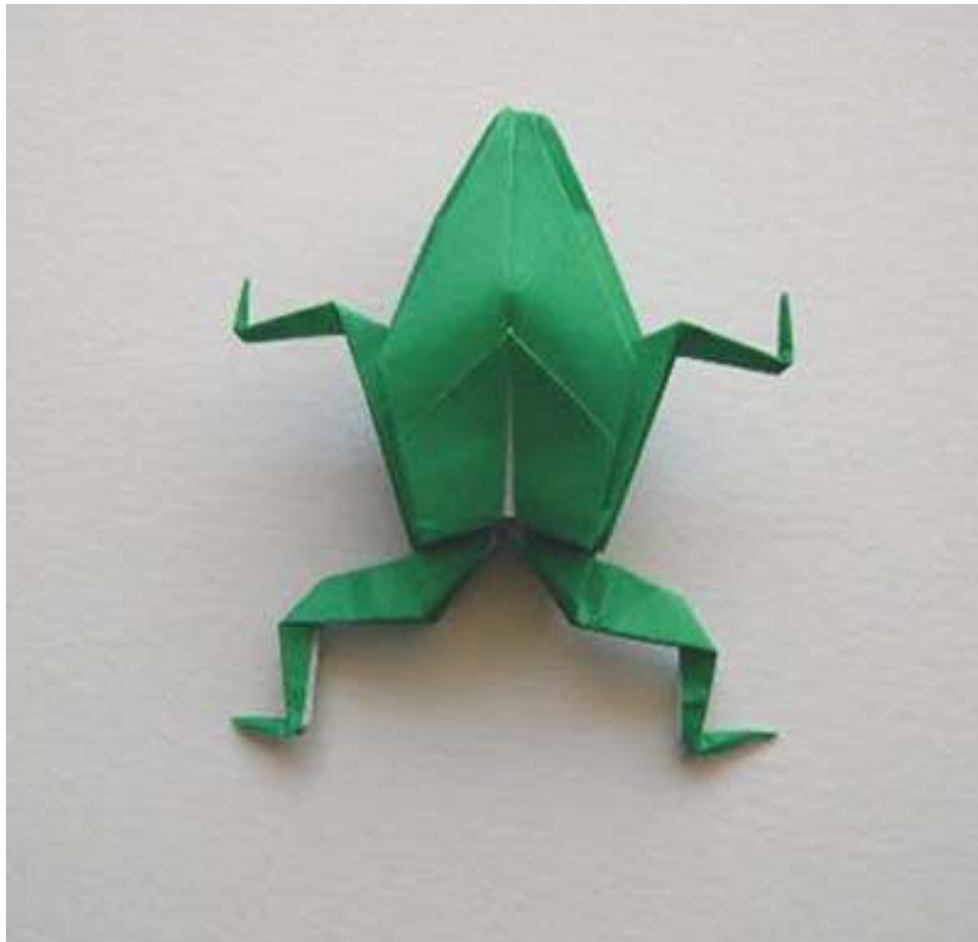
Now use reverse folds to stretch the back legs.



Apply reverse folds again, twice each on the front and back pairs of legs, as shown in the photos below.



Now you'll need to blow where shown, to inflate the frog's body.



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