

# Paper

Paper was developed in China over 2000 years ago.

Most paper is made from trees, but it can also be made from cotton, wheat straw, sugar cane waste, flax, bamboo, and linen rags.

Origami is the traditional Japanese art of paper folding. A flat sheet of paper is transformed into a sculpture through only folding. No cuts or glue are used.

Recycling one tonne of paper saves about 17 trees.

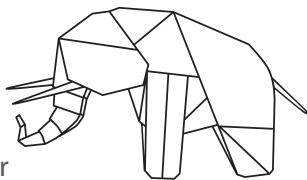
The word "paper" comes from "papyrus". Ancient Egyptians used the papyrus plant as a writing material thousands of years ago.

Do you know any more interesting facts about paper?



## Different uses of paper

Paper is used in many different ways and for many different things.



How many things can you find in your classroom or home that are made from paper?

What can you make from paper? Using just 10 sheets of paper or card, make as many different things as you can. (e.g. paper plane, flower, kite, crane, box, boat, paper chain)

## All about paper True or false

Paper is made from trees. (T/F)

Glue is an important part of origami. (T/F)

Recycling paper helps to save trees. (T/F)

Paper was developed in China. (T/F)

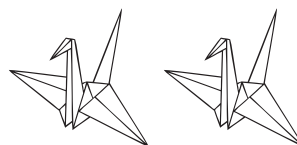
The word paper comes from the Egyptian word papyrus. (T/F)

Paper has many uses. (T/F)

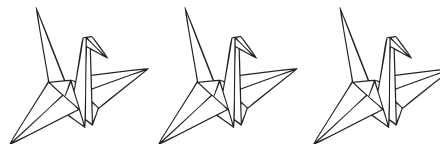


## Number Crunchers

1 Jenny, May, Lily and Jo each made 2 paper cranes.  
How many cranes did they make altogether?



2 Nick, Ben, Jack and Jon each made 3 paper cranes.  
How many cranes did they make altogether?



3 James, Peter and George each made 5 paper cranes.  
How many cranes did they make altogether?



## Paper Folding

How many times can you fold a piece of paper in half? Try using different sizes and types of paper such as tissue paper or newspaper. Does it make a difference? Ask your family and friends to try.

