Let’s Learn Some Origami

ECE Culture Club with Silvia
町田 - Machida

ひまわり - himawari
sunflower

電車 - densha - train
花見 - Hanami
flower viewing

盆踊り - Bon Odori
Bon Dance
食べ物 - Tabemono
something to eat
こんにちは！
(Kon'nichiwa)
Good afternoon!
Are you excited to learn how to make a crane?
Crane= 鶴/つる
pronounced= tsuru

One of the most highly regarded birds in Japan, the crane was thought to have lived 1,000. For that reason it symbolizes good fortune and longevity.
Sadako Sasaki

- At the age of two, Sadako survived the Hiroshima bomb during WWII.
- She was diagnosed with Leukemia at the age of 12.
- She learned of the legend of the thousand cranes--if you make a 1,000 cranes your wish will come true.
- So she began folding, and was able to make 1,300 before she unfortunately passed.
- Although she was unable to get her wish of a recovery, she was able to inspire hope and peace around the world.
Sadako’s story sparked a children’s peace movement and fundraising campaign that swept through Japan and transformed the origami crane into an international symbol of peace. The Children’s Peace Monument in the center of Hiroshima’s Peace Memorial Park, is where visitors pay their respects to Sadako by bringing their own 1,000 cranes in hopes of world wide peace.
To begin, take out your square sheet of paper!
Fold your paper in half, diagonally.

Fold that triangle in half, to make a smaller triangle.
Step 3, 4 & 5

3

Bring the top point of the top layer down to meet the bottom point, opening the paper as you go to form a square.

4 & 5

Once you fold down the point to make a square it should look like the image below. If so, then turn it over and repeat step 3.
Step 6, 7 & 8

6. Fold sides of the top layer to middle, then unfold. Flip and crease the other sides as well.

7. Fold the top down halfway and crease it, then lift the top layer upwards. Repeat on the other side.

8. Create a boat-like shape by folding the sides inward.
Step 9 & 10

9. Flatten the boat shape inward.

10. Turn it over and repeat.
Step 11, 12 & 13

11.
Fold the sides of the top layer to the middle.

12 & 13.
Does it look like this image below? If so, turn it over and repeat the folds in the previous step. The reverse fold the bottom points.
Final steps!

14
Reverse fold one end for the crane’s head. Slowly fold down the crane’s wings down and outward.

15
Well done! You now know how to make a crane!

よくできました! (Yoku dekimashita!)
Picture time!

Please turn your cameras on and show off your origami crane as we take a group photo! We would like to post this on our social media pages, so please feel free to turn off your camera if you would not like to be photographed.
Thank You For Attending!

It was a pleasure having you all and I hope that you had fun while learning something new!

The next ECE culture club will be on the country of Egypt at 3pm on October 21, 2020. We look forward to seeing you then!