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## ARE YOUR STUDENTS READY TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

**The Peace Crane Project** invites every student on the planet to fold an origami crane, write a message of peace on its wings, then exchange it with another student somewhere in the world.

The Project **builds friendships**, strengthens **hand-eye coordination** and **writing skills**, teaches **geography**, exposes students to **new languages** and **cultures**, and **EMPOWERS YOUTH to make a difference** in their community, country, and world. Classrooms, teachers, students, schools, community groups, and individuals are welcome. It's **FREE** to participate! **Looking for a project for your students, but not up for a global exchange at this time? Look through our resources!**

### Here's How To Join:

#### 1. SIGN UP

Join our [Facebook group](#) to find an exchange partner. You can also share tips and photos, ask questions, and connect with other members there.

#### 2. NO FACEBOOK?

A few of you have expressed an interest in participating without joining Facebook. [Send me an email](#) with your name and email address, your group's name, your location, and number of participants. I will post your request for you.

#### 3. FOLD YOUR PEACE CRANES

See folding guide on page 2. Want something easier to fold? Try our [guides](#) to folding a dove or heart! We even have [coloring pages](#) for the little ones.

#### 4. SEND A PACKAGE – GET A PACKAGE

Once you've selected your exchange partner, ask for their postal address! Send your artwork and messages to your exchange partner. Wait for their package to arrive! **Hot tip! If you don't have the budget for postage, trade via email – it's free!**

#### 5. GET YOUR CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

[Send us a photo](#) of your event and we will send you a Certificate of Participation!

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# HOW TO FOLD A PEACE CRANE

To participate in The Peace Crane Project you will need a square piece of paper, plus markers, pens, paint, or pencils.

Blue represents the front side of the paper. Yellow represents the back. Your paper may look different.



1. Fold your paper in half, diagonally.



2. Fold in half again.



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



4. Does your paper look like this? If so, turn it over. If no, go back to step 3.



5. Repeat fold on this side.



6. Fold sides of top layer to middle, then unfold.



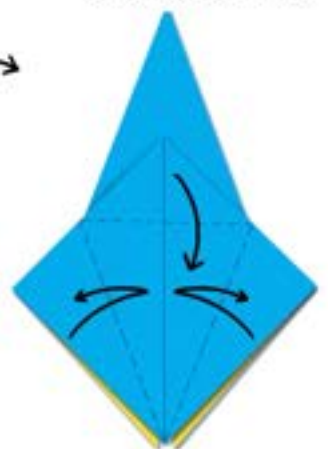
7. Fold top down to side creases, then lift top layer upward.



8. Create a boat-like shape by folding sides inward.



9. Flatten boat shape inward.



10. Turn over and repeat folds on the other side.



11. Open to boat shape then flatten.



12. Fold sides of top layer to middle.



13. Does it look like this? Then turn over and repeat the folds in step 12.



14. Reverse fold the bottom points.



15. Reverse fold one point.



Write and draw words and pictures of peace on your Peace Crane. Share it with the world! Join the Peace Crane Exchange List:

[PeaceCraneProject.org](http://PeaceCraneProject.org)