

Origami Golden Snitch

Just for fun, fold yourself your very own Golden Snitch! You could use it to decorate for a Harry Potter party - make several and hang them from thread around the room, or scatter them around the party table. Or make one for each guest and use them as place names!

The snitch is based on the classic origami "Water Bomb" but is a little more complicated to fold, so beginners or younger children may need a little help.



1. Start with your paper coloured-side down, then fold in half along each of the diagonals. Open out again.



2. Flip over.



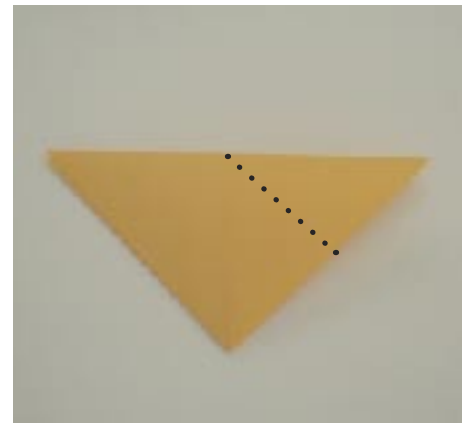
3. Bring the bottom edge to the top edge to fold in half as shown.



4. Open out again, then bring the creases together as shown, to form a triangle.



5. Crease well.



6. Rotate. Fold the top right point of the triangle down to meet the bottom point...

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7. Your model will look like this.



8. Fold the top left point down in the same way.



9. Flip over, and repeat on the other side.



10. Fold the corners in to the centre and crease well (this will be a little difficult to do).



11. Leaving the left turned in, open out the right fold which you have just made, and then lift up the flap, as shown.



12. Bring the whole flap over to the left along the existing crease line. Crease well.



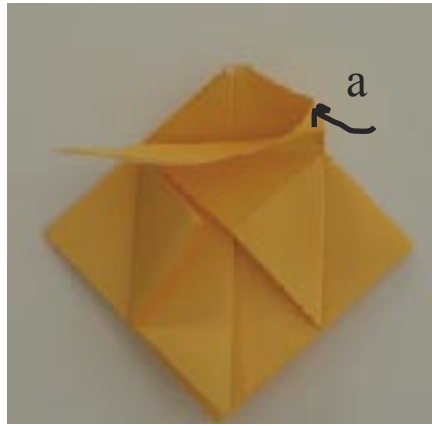
13. Turn down the top corner so that it lines up with the edge of the snitch. Crease, then open out again.



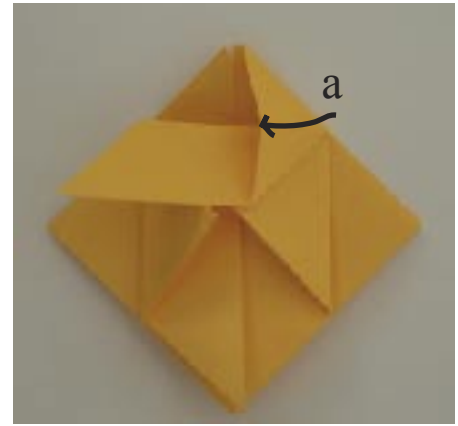
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14. Now begin to open out and bring down the top edge along the dotted line ...



15. ... flattening point "a" down as you do so.



16. Lift the "wing" up and fold it over to the right ...



17. like this. You've completed the first side - only 3 more to do!



18. Now do the left side. Open up the flap as you did before. Follow the steps below....





19. Two sides done! Now flip over and do exactly the same, from step 10, on the other side.



20. At the top of the model there is a little hole. Blow gently into it while carefully encouraging the Golden Snitch to form into its 3D shape.

