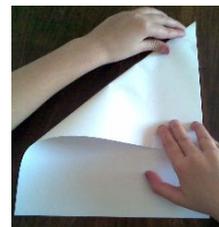


Torn Paper Cross/ Life

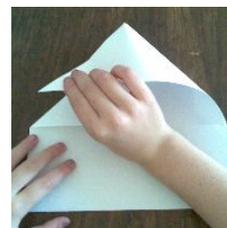
Step 1

Take the upper left corner and fold it down towards the right as on the photo.



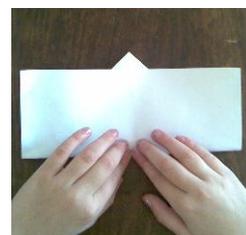
Step 2

Bring the upper right point down towards the left so that after you have made the fold, you now have a house shape.



Step 3

Take the rectangular piece at the bottom and fold it upwards towards the triangle.



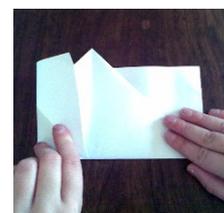
Step 4

This step does not involve any folding. Simply turn your folded paper over and it will look like this:



Step 5

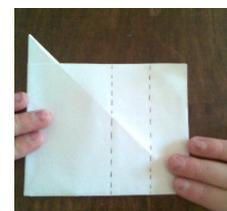
Hold the paper by the left and fold it over towards the right side like on the photo.



Step 6&7

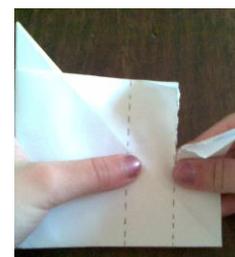
Step 6: Secure the fold.

Step 7: Draw 2 sets of dotted lines about 2,5cm apart.



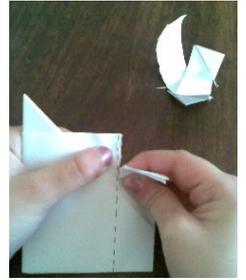
Step 8

Tear first from top to bottom along the dotted line closest to the right edge. Make sure to hold on to the torn pieces. You'll use them just now.



Step 9

Now tear from top to bottom along the second dotted line.



Step 10

First unfold all the torn pieces. Do not unfold the bigger paper now.

Step 11

Spell out the word L-I-F-E by using the torn pieces. Talk about what the word means and how we can have life. With older groups, ask if they can think of any Bible verses that talk about life. Tell the kids that the Bible tells us that we were made to glorify God with our life, but we broke God's law and sinned against Him and messed up the life we were created to have. (scramble up the pieces). The ask, so now what. How can we fix our life? How can we have life again? Explain that when you open the other piece that you'll have the answer to the only way we can have life.



Step 12

Open the other paper to unveil the cross. Ask the kids to tell you what the cross has to do with life. Explain that because of sin we were all separated from God and we all deserved to die for our sin, but that Jesus died on the cross in our place so that we could live forever with Him. We can have life, because Jesus gave up His life in our place.



Adapted from an idea found here..... <http://www.fueling-christian-life.com/cross-crafts.html>