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What is Origami

Discover the Art of Folding Paper: Origami!

DEFINITION

> Origami is the Japanese art of folding paper into decorative shapes and figures. It transforms a flat sheet into a three-dimensional object using various folding techniques.

KEY CONCEPTS

Folding Techniques

Different methods like valley and mountain folds create unique shapes in origami.

Base Models

Basic shapes like the square base serve as starting points for more complex designs.

Types of Origami

Origami can be categorized into traditional, modular, and wet-folding styles.

Materials Used

Origami typically uses thin, square sheets of paper, but other materials can be used.

Cultural Significance

Origami has deep cultural roots in Japan and symbolizes peace and creativity.

EXAMPLES

→ Making a paper crane for good luck.

→ Creating a paper boat to float on water.

→ Folding a simple paper heart for a friend.

MEMORY TIPS

★ Remember 'Origami' as 'O-RIG-A-ME' to think of folding and creativity.

★ Visualize a crane to recall that it's a common origami figure.

★ Associate the word 'fold' with 'gold' to remember the value of origami.

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Forgetting to crease folds firmly, leading to loose shapes.

✗ Using the wrong type of paper, which can tear easily.

✗ Skipping steps in instructions, resulting in incomplete models.

QUICK RECAP

Origami is the art of folding paper into shapes, using various techniques and models. Remember the key concepts and common mistakes to master this creative skill.