

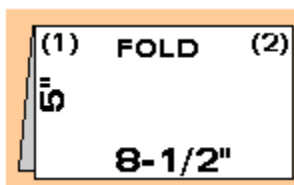
★Cut a 5-Pointed Star in One Snip ★



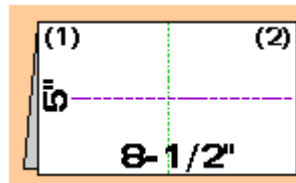
George Washington's original pencil sketch for the flag indicated 6-pointed stars, a form he apparently preferred.

Betsy Ross, however, recommended a 5-pointed star. When the committee protested that it was too difficult to make, she took a piece of paper, folded it deftly, and with a single snip of her scissors, produced a symmetrical five-pointed star. This seeming feat of magic so impressed her audience that they readily agreed to her suggestion.

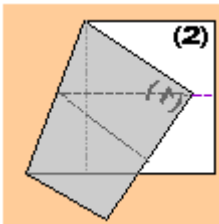
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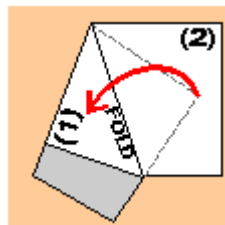
Step 1. Fold an 8-1/2" x 11" piece of paper in half.



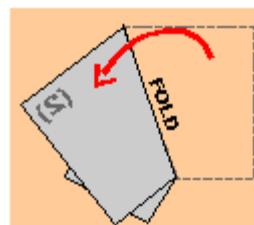
Step 2. Fold and unfold in half both ways to form creased center lines. (Note: be sure paper is still folded in half.)



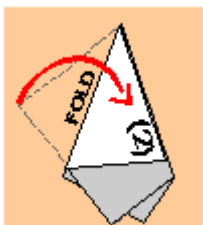
Step 3. Bring corner (1) right to meet the centerline. Be sure to fold from the vertical crease line.



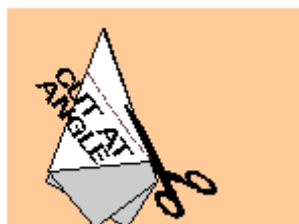
Step 4. Bring corner (1) left till edges coincide, then make the fold.



Step 5. Bring corner (2) left and fold.



Step 6. Bring corner (2) right until edges coincide. Then fold.



Step 7. Cut on the angle as shown in the picture. Then unfold the small piece.