

Learn how to make a classic Origami Bookmark Corner and then how to quickly and easily transform it into a cute paper bunny bookmark – two designs available! Introducing basic origami skills, whilst making a practical craft and encouraging reading with these handmade bookmarks.

This bunny bookmark is a perfect activity for spring, Easter, farmyard study unit or Year of the Rabbit crafts (exploring the Chinese Zodiac) or any animal/ wildlife study unit.

The bookmarks make great little gifts all year round but are also make popular in school fundraising ideas! As they are inexpensive to make, but are practical and look nice too.

## **Objectives:**

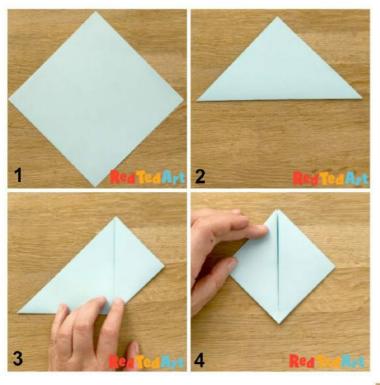
- Developing fine motor skills & accuracy
- Reading skills & following instructions
- Looking at symmetry and shapes

## **Materials**

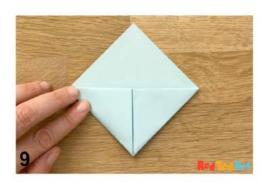
- White pieces of paper 8 x 8 inch (or other desired colors)
- Paper scraps
- Black pen, pink pen (or other desired colors)
- Scissors
- Glue stick

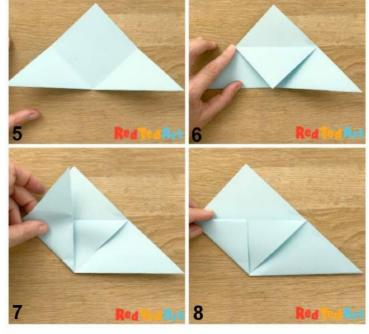
# How to make a basic origami bookmark

## Red Ted Art



- 1. Take a square piece of paper (5.5x 5.5inches is nice but any will do) and place it like a diamond in front of you.
- 2. Fold the bottom half up, across the diagonal to make a triangle.
- 3. Take the bottom right corner and bring it up to meet the top corner, forming a perpendicular line down the centre.
- 4. Repeat with the left bottom corner. You now have a small diamond in front of you.
- 5. Fold down the flaps. You will have some guide creases on the triangle.
- 6. Take ONE flap from the top and fold down. So that the point meets the centre of the bottom line.
- 7. Refold the left flap.
- 8. And tuck it inside the bookmark.





9. Repeat for the right hand flap and your basic corner bookmark is now finished. Use as is, or decorate.

## Bunny Corner Bookmark - 2 Designs

Using a piece of square paper (8 x 8 inches is nice, but any size works), make a basic corner bookmark in a desired bunny color. White is popular, but bunnies come in all colors! You can make a bunny bookmark in two ways which are outlines below!

### **Bunny 1**





Cut out your bunny shapes – two ears and a cotton tail.

Add some color to the ears and cotton tail.



Glue to your bookmark as per the image.

Add bunny face features!

A little heart is cute as the bunny nose.

## **Bunny 2**







Cut out your bunny shapes, two ears and a cotton tail (as before), but also a rectangle for teeth, two white circles for the bunny face and a heart for the bunny nose.

Add some color with your pen.

If you wish you can use contrasting paper instead of a coloring pen for these features.

Add the teeth, circles and nose to the bookmark – tucking the teeth "under" and the nose on top (see image). Then glue on the ears.

Now draw your rabbit facial features! Finally, add the cotton tail to the back. Done! Make lots of bunnies!