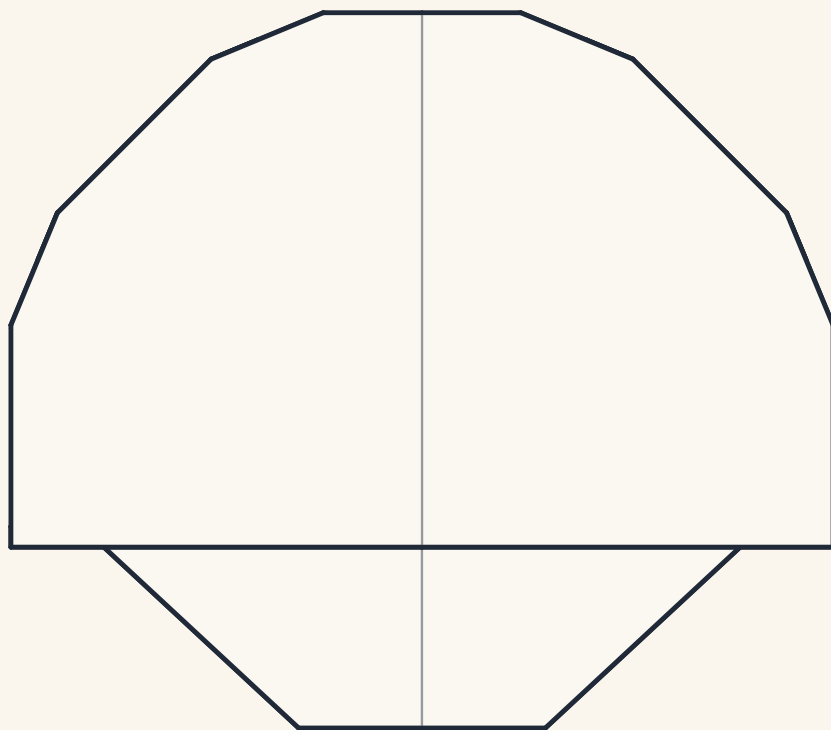


Skull

The origami skull is a flat Halloween skull with a domed cranium and a narrower jaw that sticks out underneath, folded from one square with the white side showing. It is an easy model with eight steps and takes about five minutes; you draw the eye sockets, nose and teeth on at the end.



DIFFICULTY

Easy

STEPS

8

TIME

About 5 min

PAPER

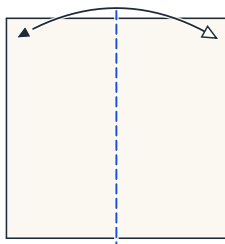
A 15 cm (6 in) square, white on at least one side;

--- Valley fold (toward you)

--- Mountain fold (away)

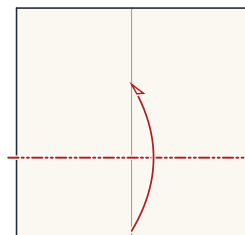
— Existing crease

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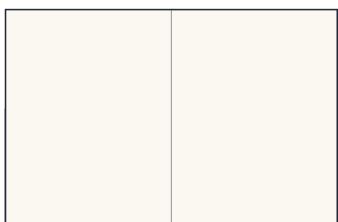
Lay the square with the white side facing up, fold it in half from left to right, and open it again so a vertical crease marks the middle.

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Fold the bottom edge up behind the paper, so a strip about a third of the square's height lies on the back. The new folded edge at the bottom sits a little below the middle of the square.

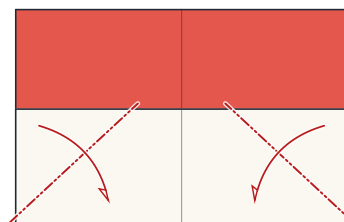
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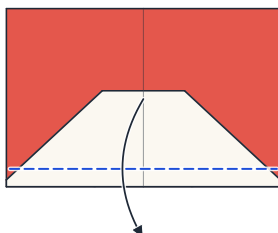
Turn the paper over. The strip you just folded is now on top, with its loose edge running across near the top.

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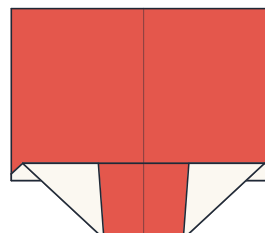
Fold the two top corners of the strip inside, tucking them between the strip and the paper underneath, along slanted lines that run from the loose edge down to the sides. The strip now narrows towards its loose edge: it will be the jaw.

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Fold the strip back down along a line a little below its middle, so its narrow end sticks out past the bottom edge of the paper.

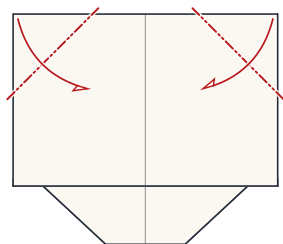
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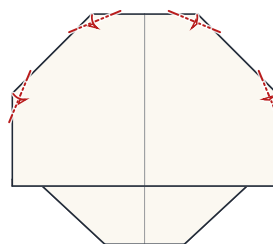
Turn the paper over. You can see a square head with the narrower jaw sticking out underneath.

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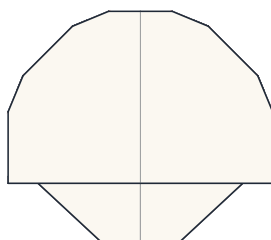
Fold the two top corners behind along short diagonal lines, a little over a quarter of the way along each edge, to start rounding the head.

8



Fold the four small corners around the head behind by a tiny amount, so the top of the skull becomes a smooth dome.

Done



Your skull is finished: a round cranium with a narrower jaw underneath. Draw two big round eye sockets, an upside-down heart for the nose and a row of teeth across the jaw with a black marker, and it is ready for a window, a garland or a Day of the Dead card.