

1. For this project you'll need scissors, a ruler, a pencil or pen, and a greeting card.

2. Start by cutting the card into segments down the folded edge.

3. Using the ruler, measure and mark a square onto the back side of the card front. Make an "x" across the shape by connecting the opposite corners with a line. (This will be the top of your box.)

4. Cut out the square and place a corner towards you.

5. Fold the corner closest to you into the center, making sure to align the tip of the corner to the point where the "x" meets.

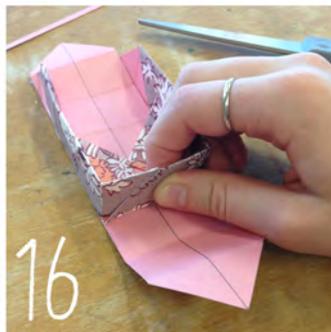
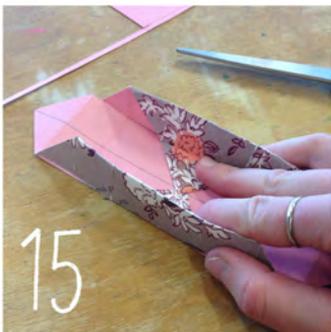
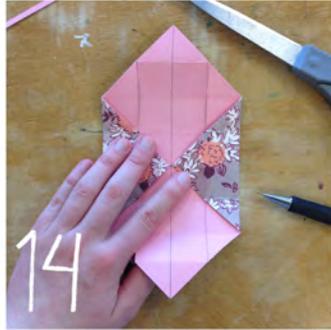
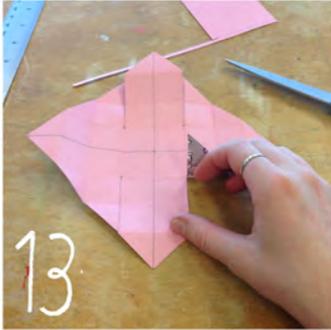
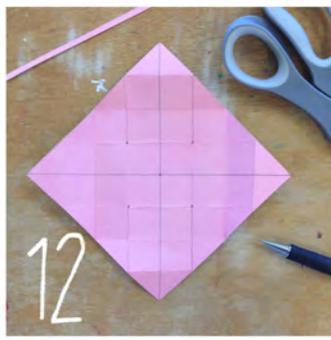
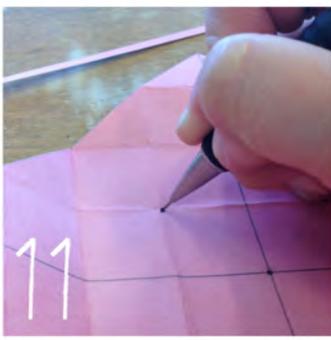
6. Do the same with the corner farthest away from you.

7. Next, fold each corner piece towards the center again - this time aligning the "outside" edge with the center line you see.

8. Open the paper and reorient the square so that you can fold the other two corners in the same way.

9. Repeat steps 4 - 7 with the other two corners.

10. Open the square. You'll notice that you've created a grid like folded pattern. The center of the grid has a large square with no fold marks - this will be the very top of your box.



11. Using your pencil or pen, mark the four corners of this center square with a dot.

12. With a corner of the paper towards you, draw a line from the bottom two dots towards you. Make sure to follow the fold marks already set in place. Also draw lines upward from the top two dots, again following the fold lines.

13. Cut along the folded and drawn lines making sure to stop when your scissors reach the dot.

14. With the cut lines facing towards you, fold the left and right corners towards the center point of the paper.

15. Fold the outer edges in to form two side walls.

16. With the two side walls standing, gently fold the ends inward to form the perpendicular walls.

17. With the sections of paper still flat on the table, fold up and around the small walls. The pointed corner of these pieces should end up in the center of the folded box.

18. It may be helpful to add a small piece of clear tape or glue to hold these papers in place.

19. To make a bottom for your box - repeat all the steps the same, but start with a square that is about 1/4 inch shorter in length.