

## Support the land of rising sun!



*„Japan is one of the most generous and strongest benefactors, coming to the assistance of those in need the world over. In that spirit, the United Nations stands by the people of Japan and we will do anything and everything we can at this very difficult time.“*

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, March 11<sup>th</sup>

## Origami for Japan Mission

In line with world leaders' commitment, we aim to provide strong unified message from across local communities to global corporations; Japan, you are not alone.

We want to achieve this by providing a guide to Japanese culture in a fun way – folding origami, whilst establishing understanding of cultural significance of this activity.

Please join the common spirit and help us to show; **Japan, you are not alone!**

In cooperation with all other origami initiatives for Japan worldwide (e.g. The Million Crane Project - [www.millioncraneproject.org](http://www.millioncraneproject.org)), we target to deliver 1,000,000 cranes along with 1,000,000 USD donation to Japan. To raise the funds, we intend to sell 100,000 Sun-shiny Origami for Japan polo shirts worldwide as well as receive donations via our website.

## Why to fold origami and send it to Japan?

Folding one thousand origami cranes is a Japanese symbol of mutual support, a concept based on ancient legend which promises that on completion, a wish of recovery will be granted. The legend became world famous with Sadako Sasaki, a young girl who, following the Hiroshima nuclear disaster suffered from leukemia. She tried to fold a thousand paper cranes in the hope of recovery. Sadly she failed to complete the task, but after her death her friends folded the remaining cranes and many well wishers commemorate nowadays with placing chains at her memorial in Hiroshima park.



## Crane folding instructions

Alternatively please use Youtube.com, keywords: "origami crane"

Origami Crane Instructions [www.origami-fun.com](http://www.origami-fun.com)

1. Start with a square piece of paper, coloured side up. Fold in half and open. Then fold in half the other way.
2. Turn the paper over to the white side. Fold the paper in half, crease well and open, and then fold again in the other direction.
3. Using the creases you have made, bring the top 3 corners of the model down to the bottom corner. Flatten model.
4. Fold top triangular flaps into the centre and unfold.
5. Fold top of model upwards, crease well and unfold.
6. Open the uppermost flap of the model, bringing it upwards and pressing the sides of the model inwards at the same time. Flatten down, creasing well.
7. Turn model over and repeat Steps 4-6 on the other side.
8. Fold top flaps into the centre.
9. Repeat on other side.
10. Fold both 'legs' of model up, crease very well, then unfold.
11. Inside Reverse Fold the 'legs' along the creases you just made.
12. Inside Reverse Fold one side to make a head, then fold down the wings.

Finished Crane