

Paper

An Early Years and Primary curriculum-based activity sheet for the whole family

Origami

Origami is a Japanese word meaning 'folding paper'. Paper is believed to have been invented in China in 105 AD and it is thought that origami has existed since then too. Designs were often given at festivals and celebrations like weddings and more recently origami has been used in maths and engineering!



Try some Origami. www.origamiway.com has a good selection to try.

Did you know...

... 2000 BC the Egyptians made a sort of paper from the papyrus plant. This is where the word paper came from.

Paper Factory



[Inside a toilet paper factory!](#)



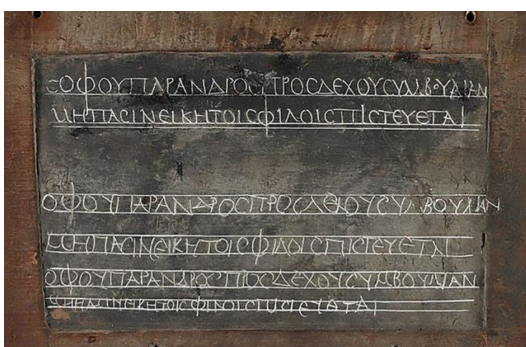
How many toilet rolls does your family use in a week?



Prehistoric Paper

Writing started long before the invention of paper and people wrote on many kinds of material including cloth, clay, wood and wax.

[The British Library](#) has this piece of Egyptian homework from 2000 years ago! What other historical writing materials can you find out about? Can you try any of them at home?



Read More...

Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Cole

The Paper Kingdom by Helena Ku Rhee

The Paper Dolls by Julia Donaldson

The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors by Drew Daywalt

Pablo Picasso

Pablo Picasso was a famous Spanish artist who lived from 1881 to 1973.

He used lots of different types of papers to create his pictures. This type of art is called collage.



Find out more about Picasso's work at www.pablo-ruiz-picasso.net and then create a collage of your own using different pieces of paper.

How are you helping?

These activities will help your child to:

- Develop an understanding of the history, manufacture of paper and its uses
- Explore how paper is used within the home and the importance of recycling
- Have fun getting creative using paper.

Find out more...

... What does this symbol mean? Can you find it on any packaging you have at home?



—Cbeebies has lots of ideas about how you start to recycle paper and other packaging you have finished with. Have a look at their ideas by following this link <https://tinyurl.com/ybmnpue> and find out how to have fun with your recycling!