

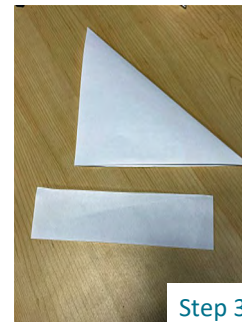
**You will need:**

- One sheet of paper
- Pair of scissors
- Glue
- Markers or crayons



**Directions:**

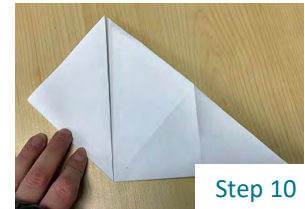
1. Start with a full size sheet of paper. Make this paper into a square by folding the top right corner so that the right paper edge is lined up with the left side edge
2. Now fold the bottom fold over the triangle to crease where you will make the cut.
3. Cut the bottom rectangle flap off. Save this to cut out the ears!
4. Unfold the triangle. Fold the square paper into a rectangle by lining up the top and bottom edges.
5. Unfold this rectangle and fold to make a rectangle where the left and right edges line up.
6. Unfold the paper and you should have a perfect cross section of three lines.
7. Now to make the crease for your reading buddy's face. The bottom left corner will be the face. Fold that corner in towards the center so that the point of the corner matches the middle cross section. Crease this line well.
8. All of the creases are made now so grab your glue and get ready to make your book mark come to life!



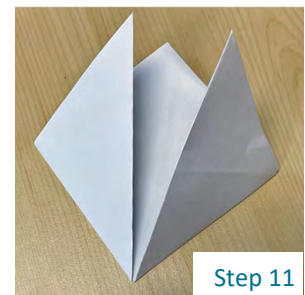
9. Fold the top right corner down to meet the bottom left corner. This will give you a triangle with the “face” down on the table Turn the paper so the point of the triangle is facing away from you.



10. Now fold the bottom left corner of the triangle onto the top point of the triangle. Repeat this fold with the right corner lining up to the top point.



11. Glue these two flaps down.



12. Flip the paper over so you are now looking at the face section.



13. The crease on the face will be used to fold the bottom flap underneath the face to create a small pocket where it will fit over a book page.



14. Use the scrap paper from step 3 to cut your ears out and then glue them on



15. Color and decorate your reading buddy!

16. Show us your animal reading buddy on our Facebook page “Adventures in EdZooCation” or tag the North Carolina Zoo at #NCZOO or #NCZOOED