Learn by Doing

Choice Sea and Sky Accordion

The creations of day 5—fish and birds—show us the amazing variety of the Lord's creation. In this project, children create a self-standing project showing the Lord's creations on day 5.

1. Ask the children to name as many kinds of fish as they can. Do the same with birds. Talk about how much variety there is in just this one part of the Lord's creation! This is part of what makes the world beautiful and interesting and useful.
2. You are going to create a sea-and-sky, fish-and-birds project. The first step is to make the sea and sky.
3. Guide the children through the steps of the project, referring to pp. 2-3.
4. When it is time to decorate the fish and birds remind the children about how many different kinds there are. Encourage them to decorate their fish and birds to show this variety. Color the fish and birds. Optional: Glue sequins or glitter on the fish and craft feathers on the birds.
5. Help the children fold their projects to take home.



Materials for Each Child

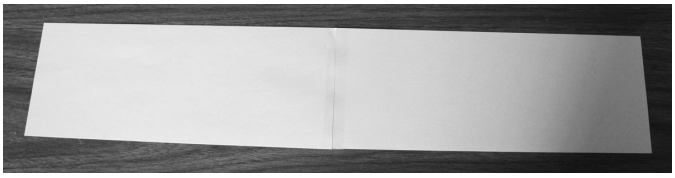
1 piece of light blue paper, 1 piece of dark blue paper, 1 copy of the fish and bird outline page, scissors, tape, glue, crayons or markers, *optional*: sequins or glitter, small craft feathers

Prepare in Advance

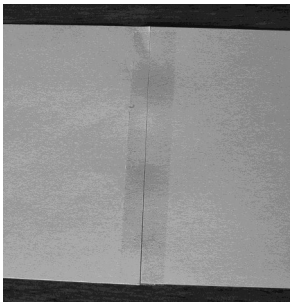
Cut the blue pages in half vertically so they form long rectangles. (A paper cutter will do this quickly.) Photocopy the fish and bird outline page. Read over the directions on pp. 2-3 so you can help the children. You may wish to make a sample.

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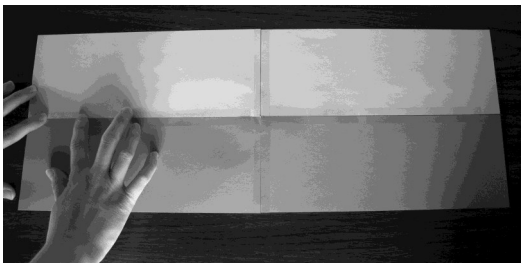
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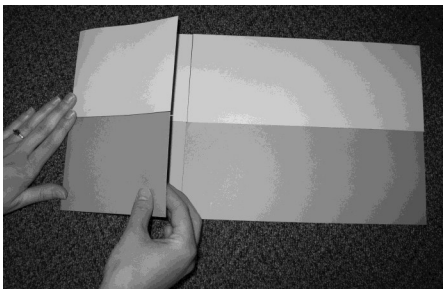
1. Tape the two dark blue pieces of paper together to form one long rectangle. Do not overlap the pieces, just position them edge to edge.



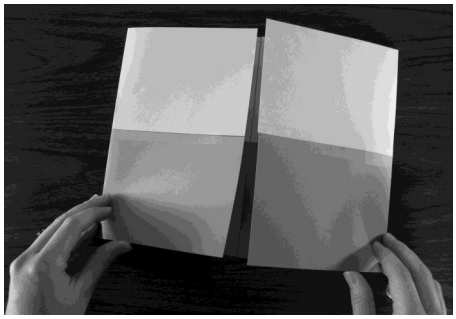
2. Repeat step 1 with the light blue pieces of paper.



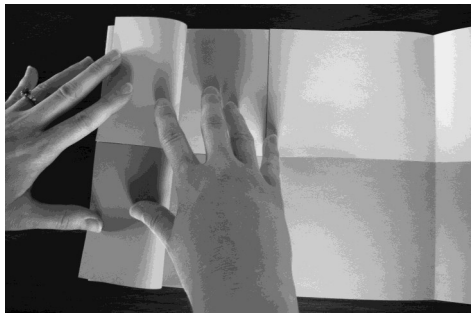
3. Put the two long rectangles together, edge to edge, one on top of the other. Tape together along the join.



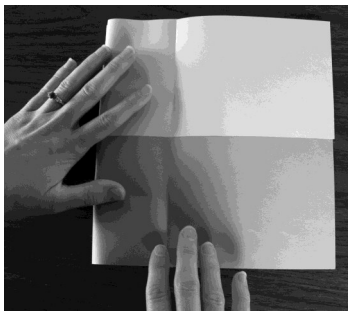
4. Fold one side of the joined paper in half to the center.



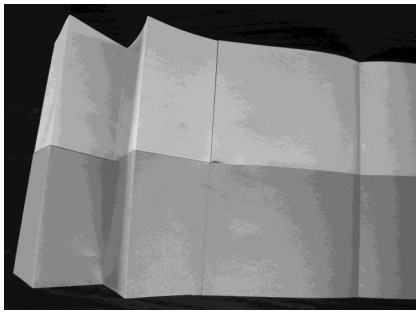
5. Repeat set 4 with the other edge of the paper so you have two flaps..



6. Fold one flap back over toward to the previous fold as shown.



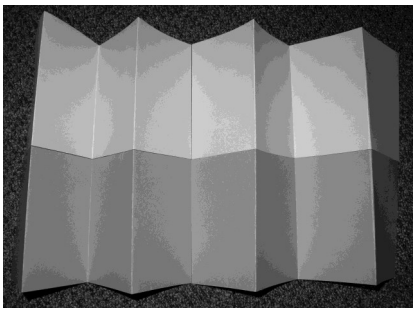
7. Tuck the three layers of folded paper underneath and make a fourth fold



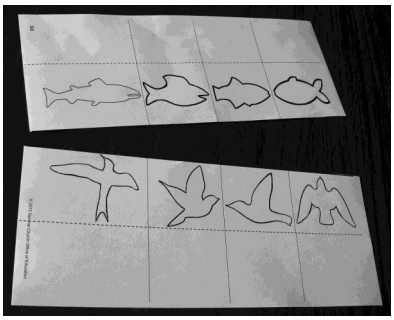
8. Your paper should now look like this picture. Repeat steps 6 and 7 with the other half of the paper.

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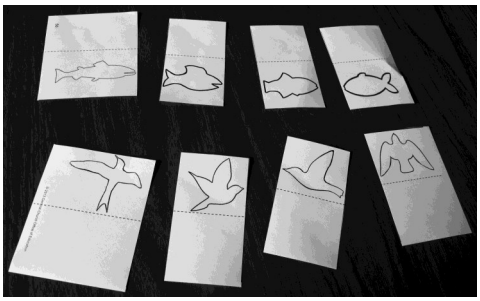
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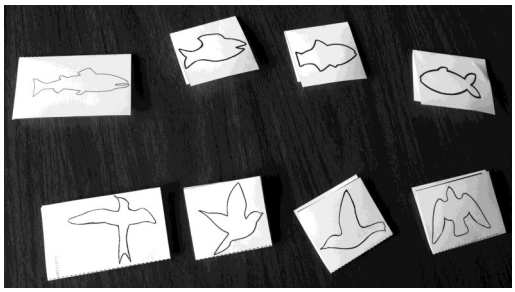
9. Decide if you want the dark blue to be the sea or the sky. Turn your project so the sky is on the top and the sea is on the bottom.



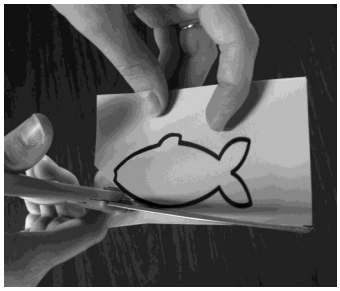
10. Cut the page of fish and bird templates in half along the heavy solid line.



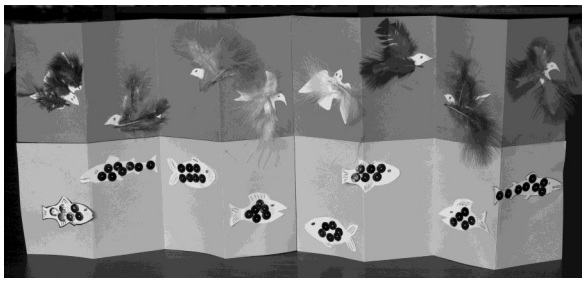
11. Cut the templates apart along the lighter lines into small strips.



12. Fold the strips in half along the dotted lines.



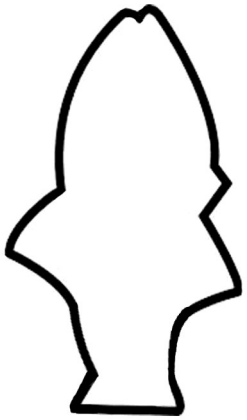
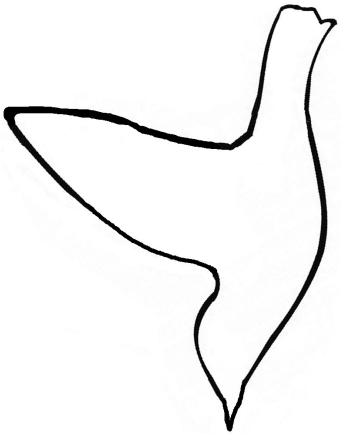
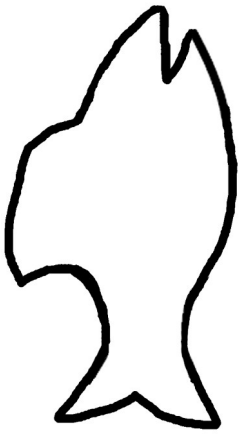
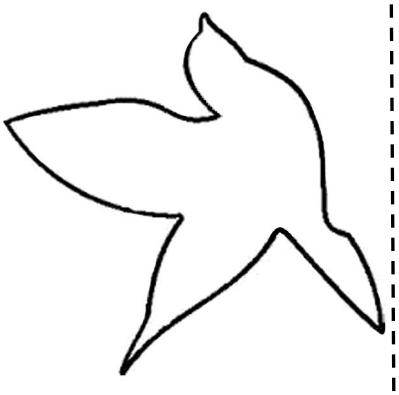
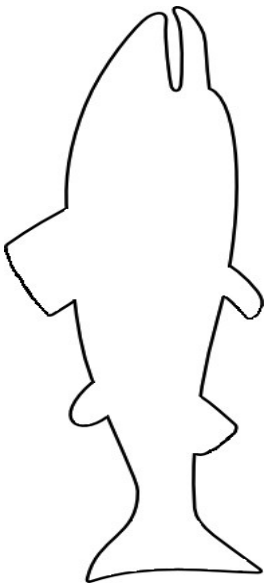
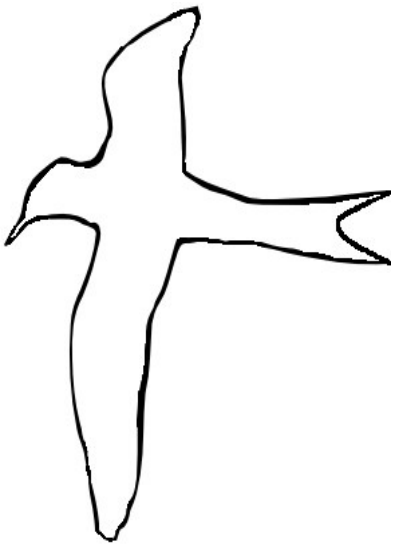
13. Cut out each fish and bird, cutting through 2 layers of paper. This will give you a total of 8 fish and 8 birds.



14. Glue the fish onto the sea portion of your project and the birds onto the sky. You can flip the figures over to have them go in different directions. If you use only a dot of glue in the center of the figures you can have the ends overlap the folds on the sea and sky.

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Birds and Fish

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