Zooplankton Origami

MAKE YOUR OWN COPEPOD
Copepods are a type of zooplankton. They are small crustaceans that can be found in both salt and freshwater. Copepods are an important source of food for many young fish.

Follow along to make your own origami copepod.

Materials:
- 5.5 inch by 5.5 inch origami paper or printer paper
- Scissors
Turn the paper at a diagonal. Fold the two sides to the center.

Fold each side into the center again.

Fold in the top portion of each side.

Fold down the top portion of the paper.

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Cut a small section of the folded flap.

Unfold until you are back at Step 2. Cut segments out of the bottom sides.

Refold to Step 5 and insert the cut sections into the notch.

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Fold the antenna down and crunch up the bottom half of the paper to form body segments.

Enjoy your completed copepod!

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