



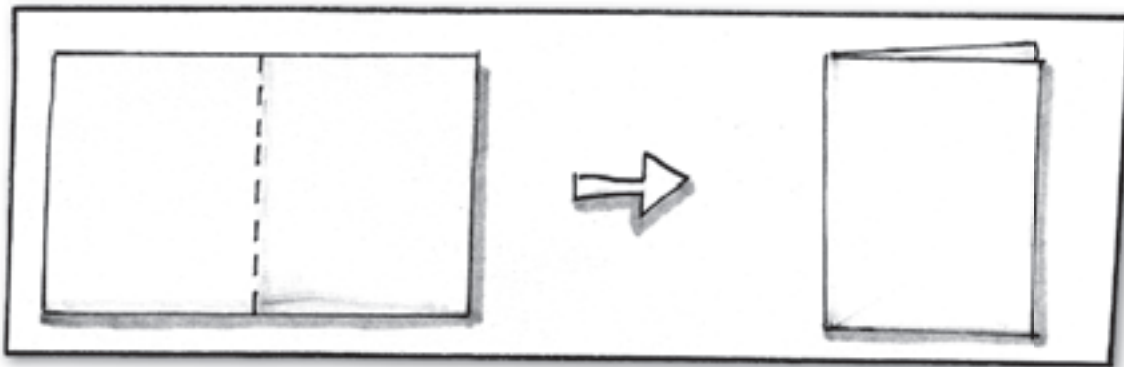
People all over the world love kites. There are kite-flying festivals in a lot of countries. Every January, there is a famous kite-flying festival in Ahmedabad, India. At this festival, people say goodbye to winter and welcome summer. The sky is filled with coloured kites of all shapes and sizes. People fly kites from every rooftop and hill, have kite fights and eat special food. In the evening, at the end of the festival, people fly special night kites which are shaped like boxes and have lights in them. The sky looks fantastic!

Now make your own kite. It really will fly!

You need:

- a sheet of A4 paper
- a wooden/bamboo skewer
- string
- a pencil
- tape
- plastic supermarket bags
- a ruler
- coloured felt-tip markers

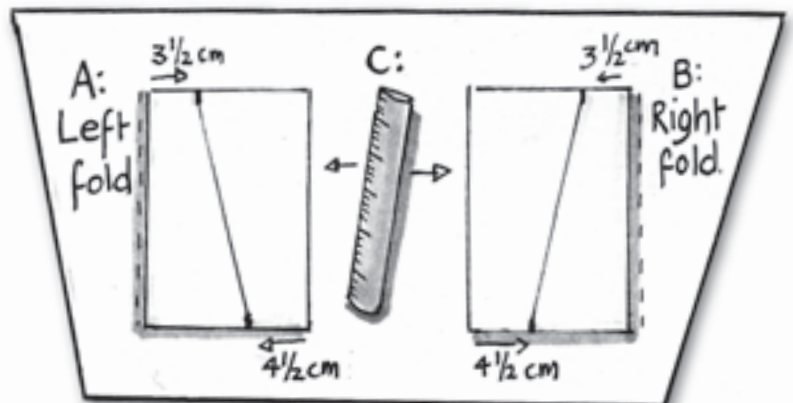
1 Fold the sheet of A4 in half.



2 **A:** With the fold on the **left**, measure in $3\frac{1}{2}$ cm at the top (moving from left to right). Then measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ cm at the bottom (moving from right to left).

B: Then on the other side, with the fold on the **right**, measure in $3\frac{1}{2}$ cm at the top (moving from right to left) and $4\frac{1}{2}$ cm at the bottom (moving from left to right).

C: With a ruler, draw a line joining the bottom and the top points. Then turn the sheet over and draw a line between the other top and bottom points.



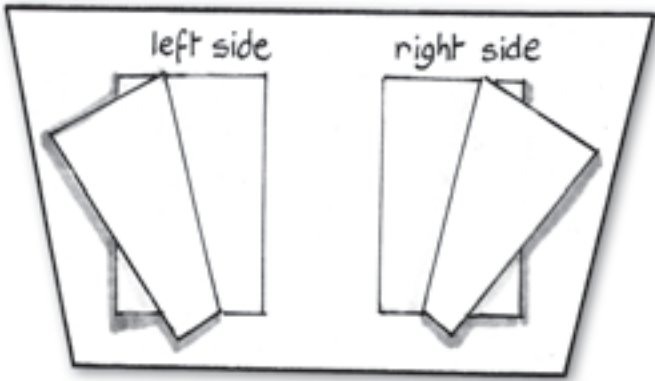


Festivals Kite Flying

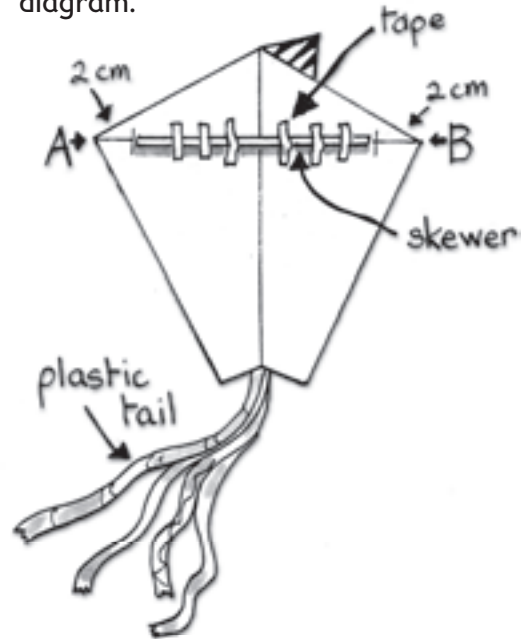
Skate Away! 2



- 3 Fold the paper back along the drawn line on both sides.



- 5 Fold the kite again and rule a line from A to B. Measure in 2cm on each side. Cut the plastic bags into long strips and staple them onto the kite. Tape on the wooden skewer between A and B, as shown in the diagram.



- 4 Unfold and decorate the underside of the kite with felt-tip markers.



- 6 Punch holes and attach a long piece of string.

