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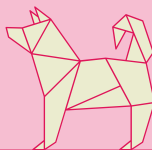
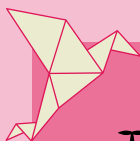
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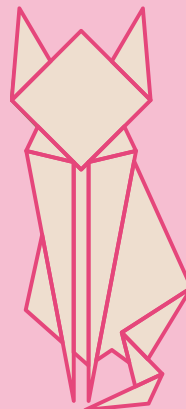
# Cat Origami Kit includes:

- Booklet
- 8 Sheets of origami paper

Note: In order to make each origami figure, scan the QR code for video instructions.



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# A Short History of Origami in Japan



It is unclear where the art of paper folding first originated in Japan, but some say it could have originated from China. During the seventh century, the technique of paper making was introduced to Japan from China. In time, the manufacturing processing of making paper changed in Japan, giving the paper dual qualities of sturdiness and softness, which prevented the paper from tearing when being handled.

Even though it is not clear when origami first appeared in Japan, it is known that paper was used and folded in letters and to wrap items such as gifts.

Throughout the centuries, origami changed from simple shapes such as boats and cranes, to other varieties of animals and intricate shapes.

Origami books were later created and published with a wide selection of new and diverse forms. Incorporating pictures with steps, which helped children and adults create multiple levels of the paper folding technique.




Learn more about the  
history of origami in  
Japan






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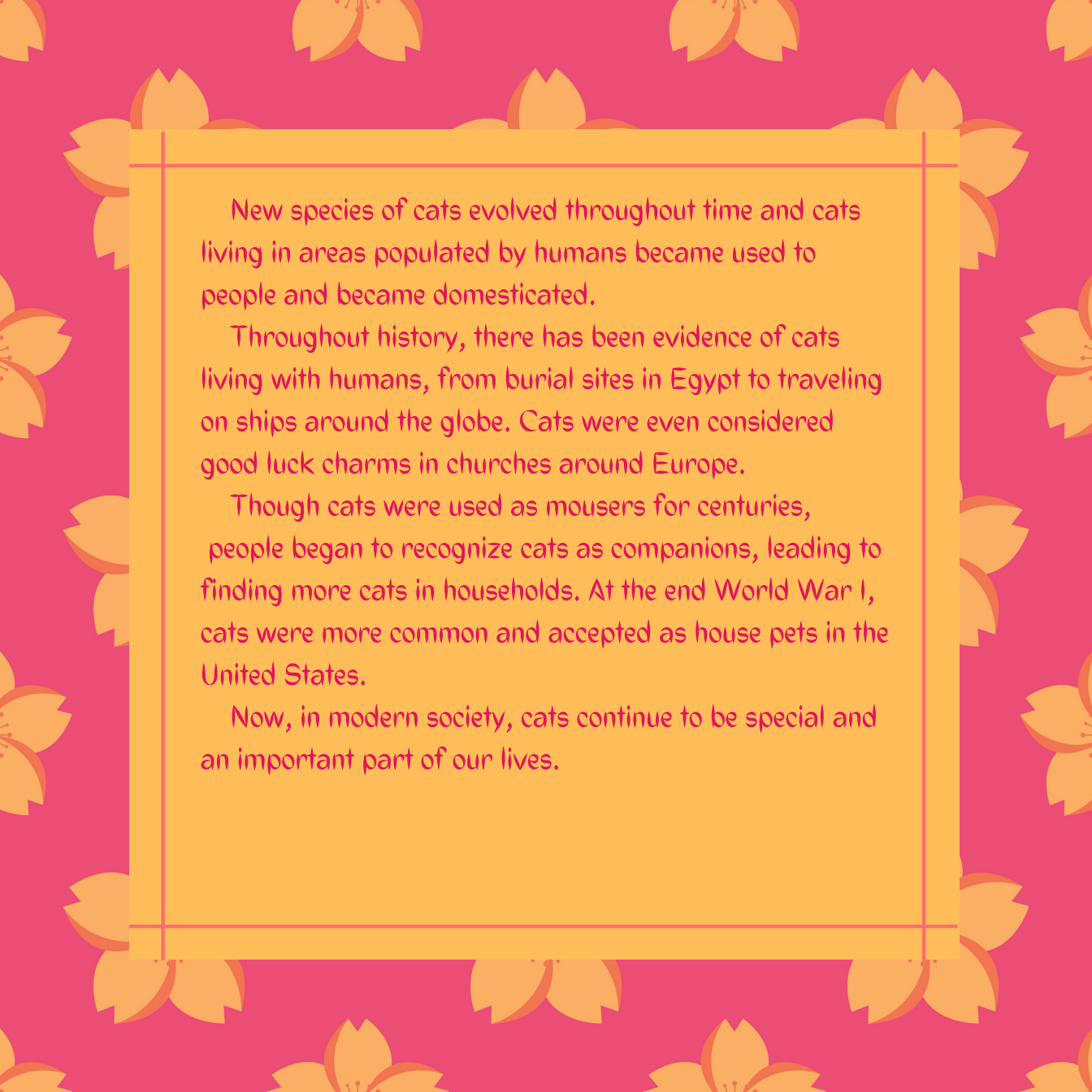
## A Brief History of the Domestic Cat

A stylized, geometric silhouette of a cat, facing left, positioned in the top-left corner of the dark blue text box.

Cats have been around for thousands of years living outdoors, but have only been known to live indoors for just 70 years.

The relationship between cats and humans began around 10,000 to 12,000 years ago, during the earliest developments of human civilization. As people settled permanently, activities such as farming attracted insects and rodents because the immense food was supplied in one area. Because of this, wildcats would prey on these insects and rodents. They decided to stay around areas occupied by humans.

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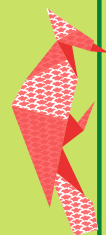
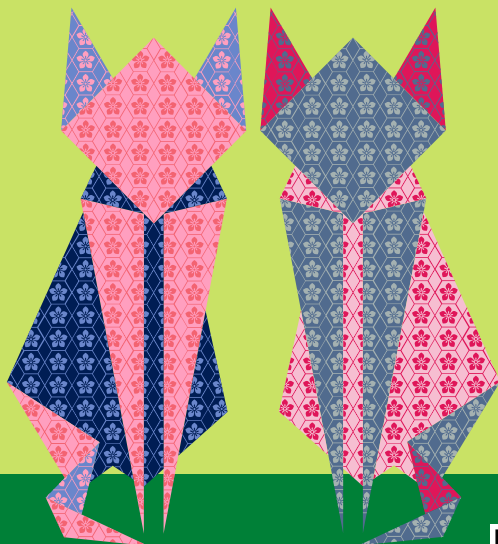


New species of cats evolved throughout time and cats living in areas populated by humans became used to people and became domesticated.

Throughout history, there has been evidence of cats living with humans, from burial sites in Egypt to traveling on ships around the globe. Cats were even considered good luck charms in churches around Europe.

Though cats were used as mousers for centuries, people began to recognize cats as companions, leading to finding more cats in households. At the end World War I, cats were more common and accepted as house pets in the United States.

Now, in modern society, cats continue to be special and an important part of our lives.



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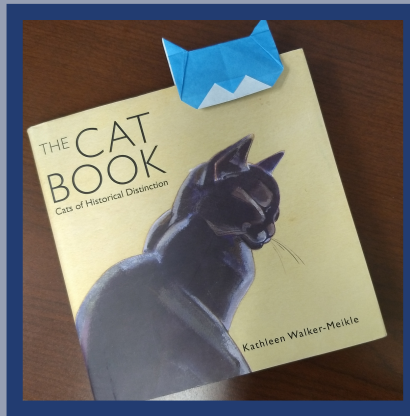
# Neko (Cat)

Difficulty level : Intermediate



# Cat Bookmark

Difficulty level : Easy



# Easy Origami Cat

Difficulty level : Easy



# Cute Cat

Difficulty level : Intermediate





# Origami Cat Box

Difficulty level : Easy





# Cat Envelope

Difficulty level : Easy





Notes

# Cats & Coffee

If you're a cat and coffee enthusiast, join us for a purrfect evening every third Thursday of the month as we sip warm caffeinated drinks and meet the cats and their humans who live in our community!



Join us for our next meeting!



