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I will write PEACE on your wings  
and you will fly around  
the world.



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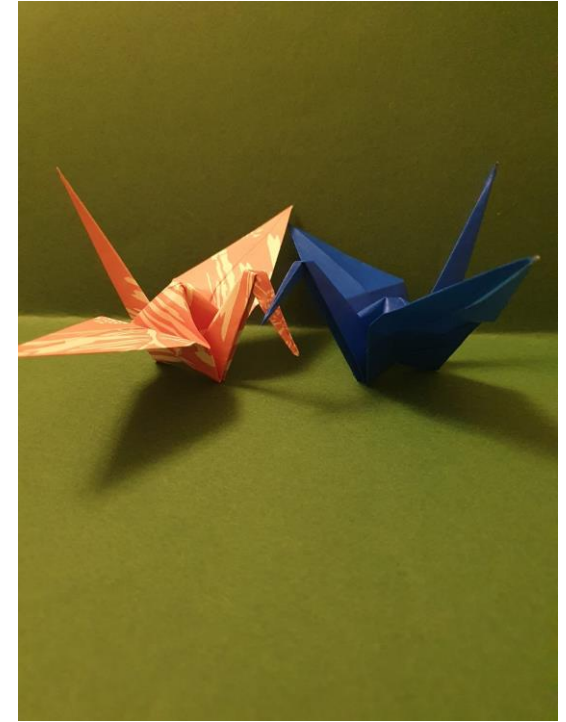


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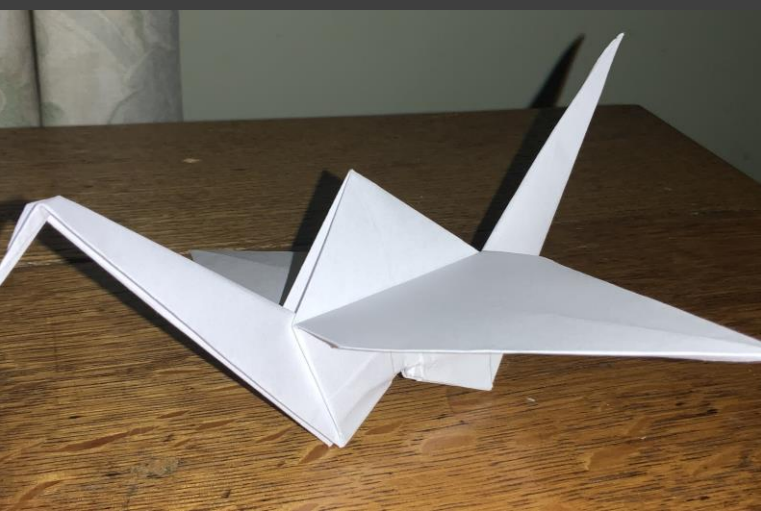
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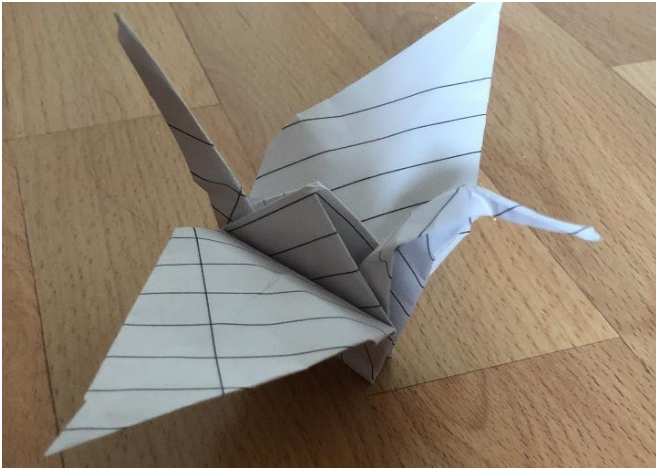
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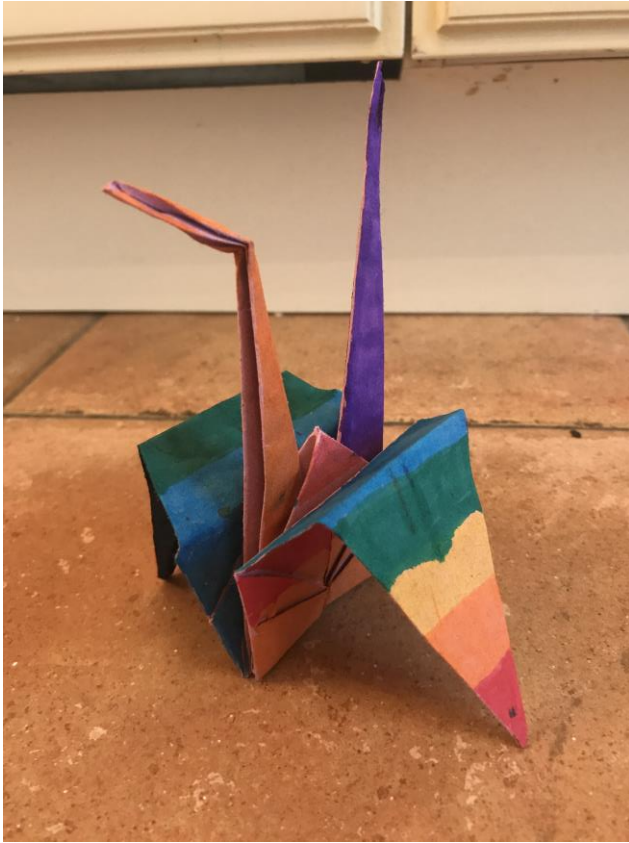
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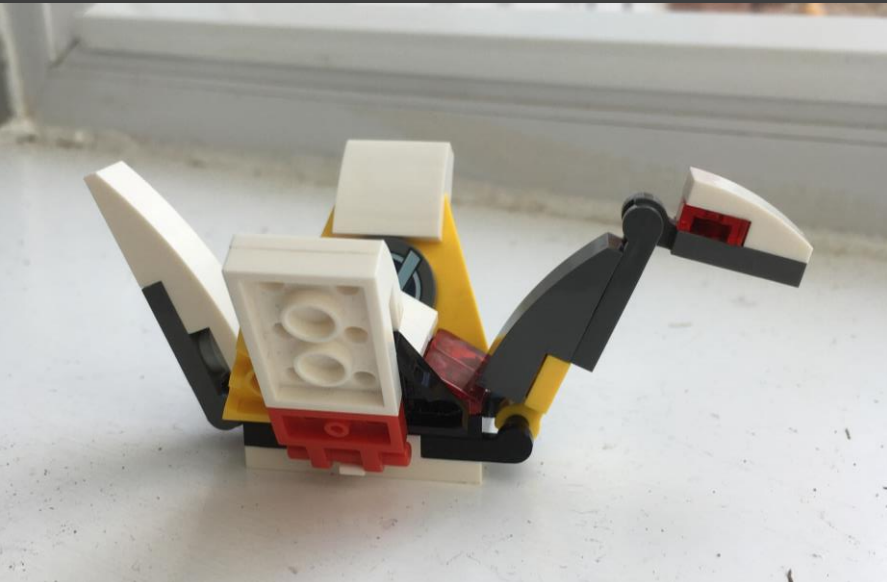
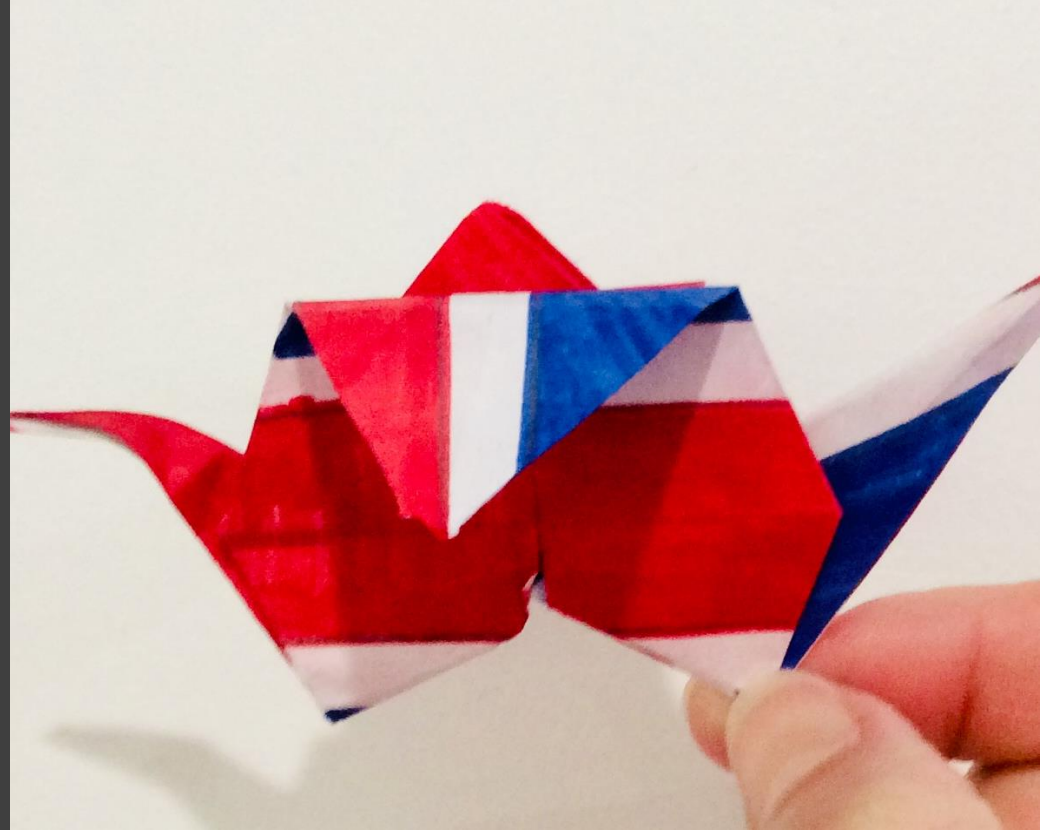
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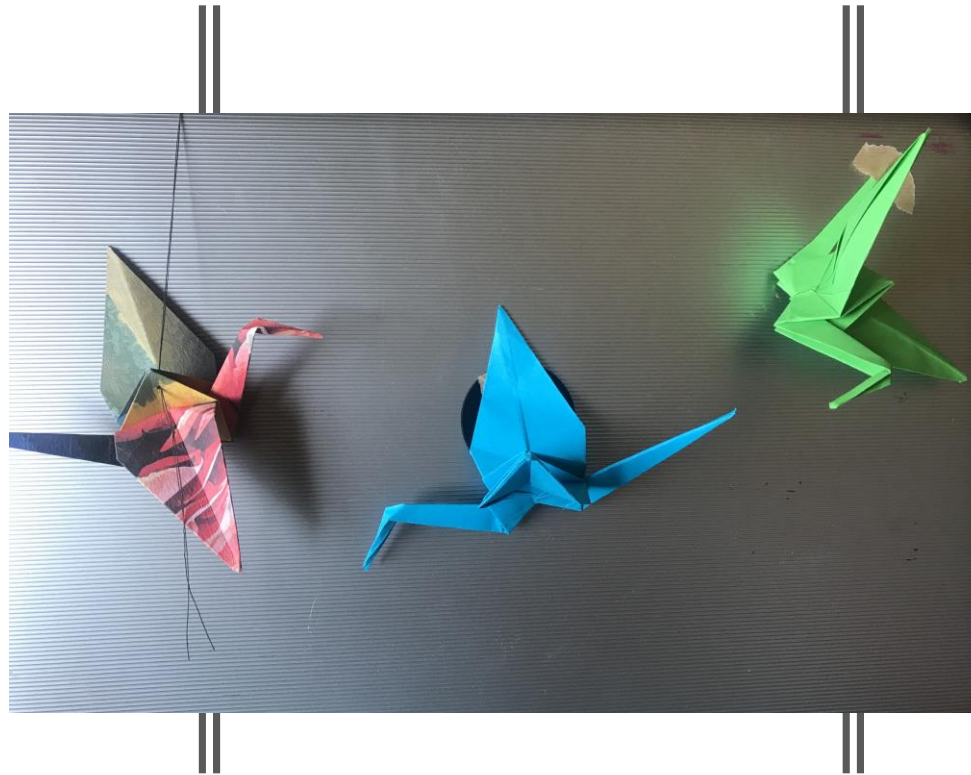
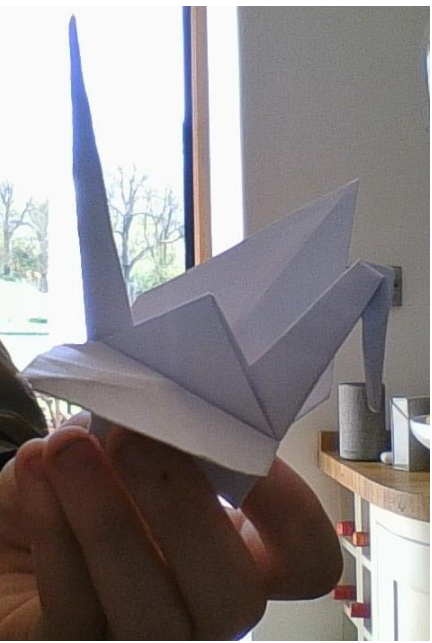
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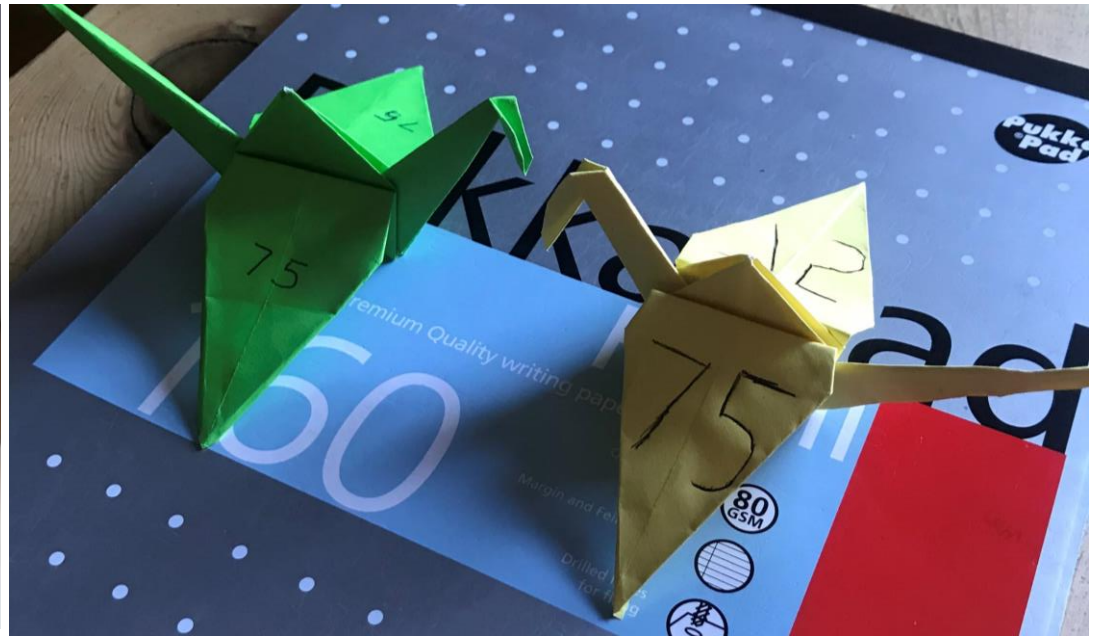
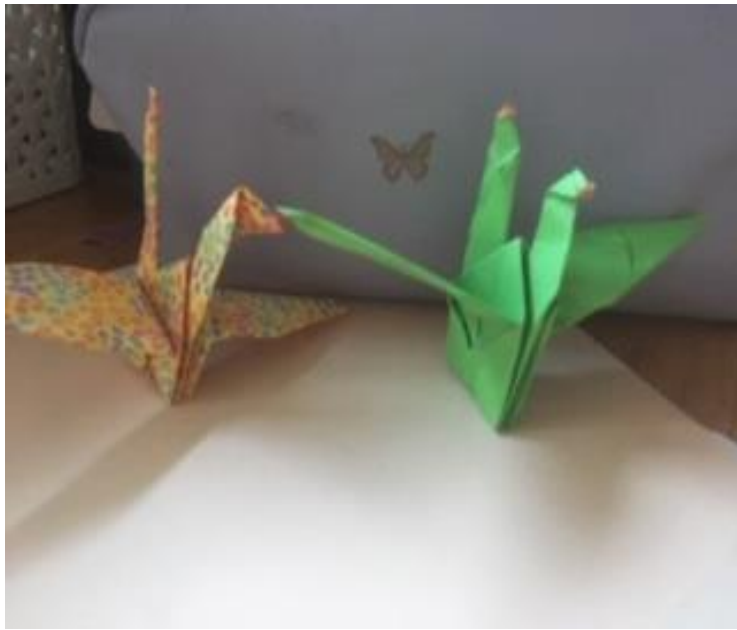
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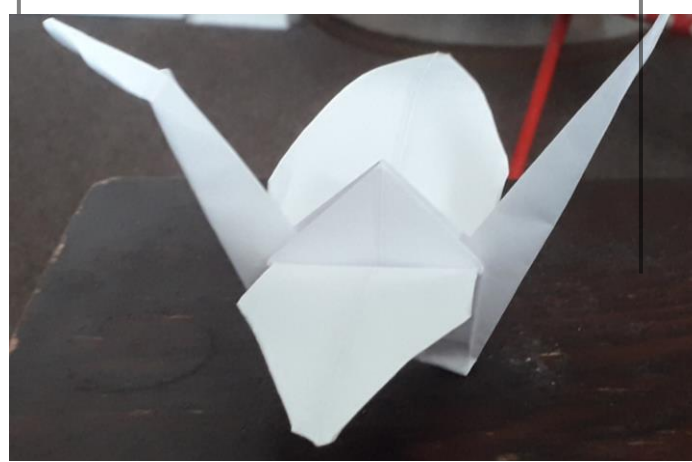
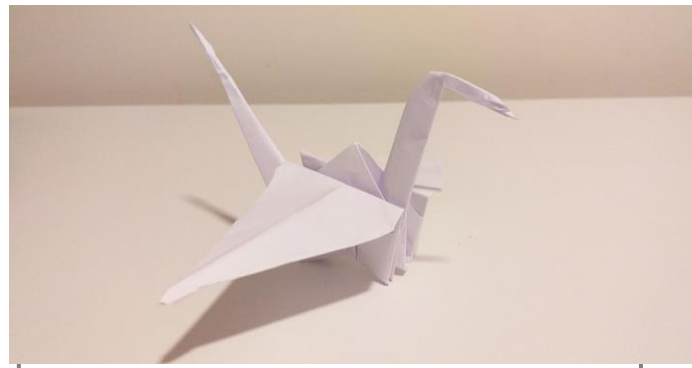




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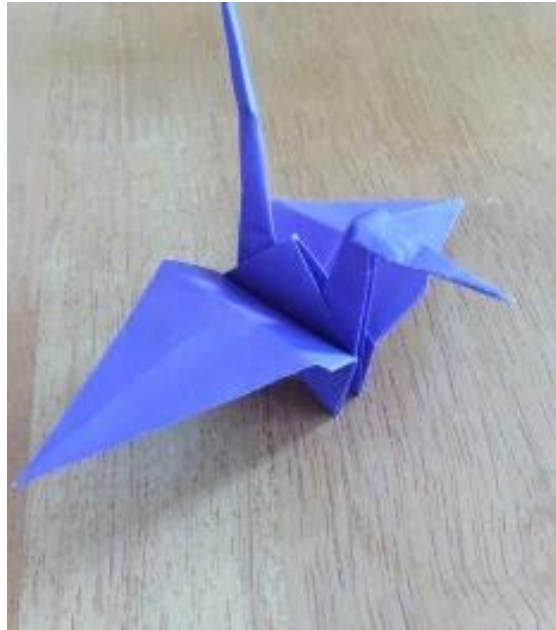
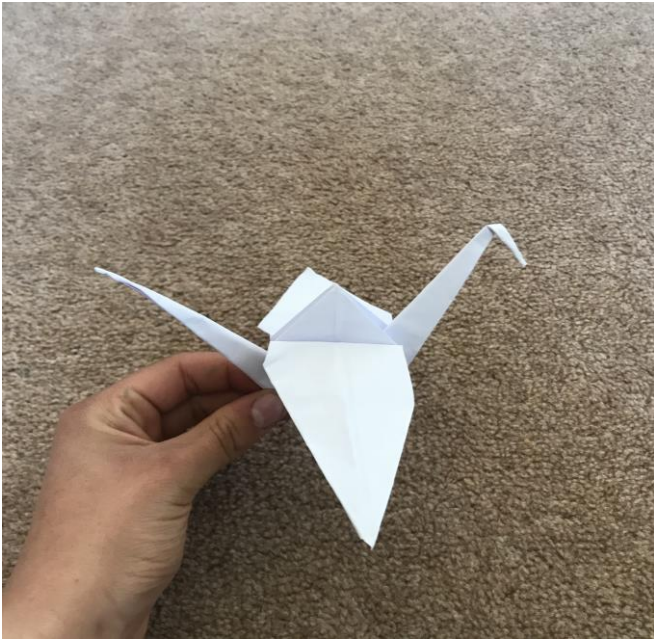
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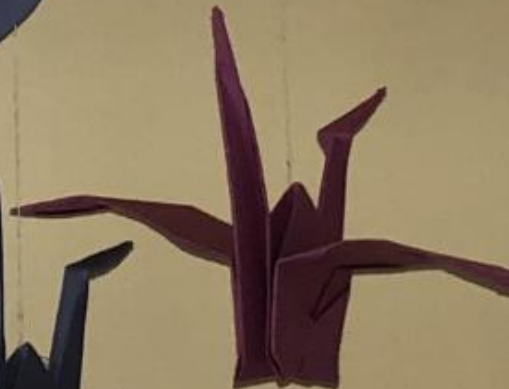
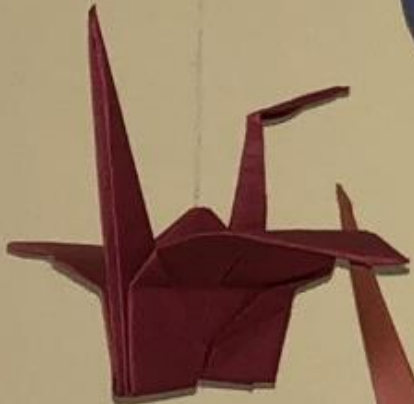


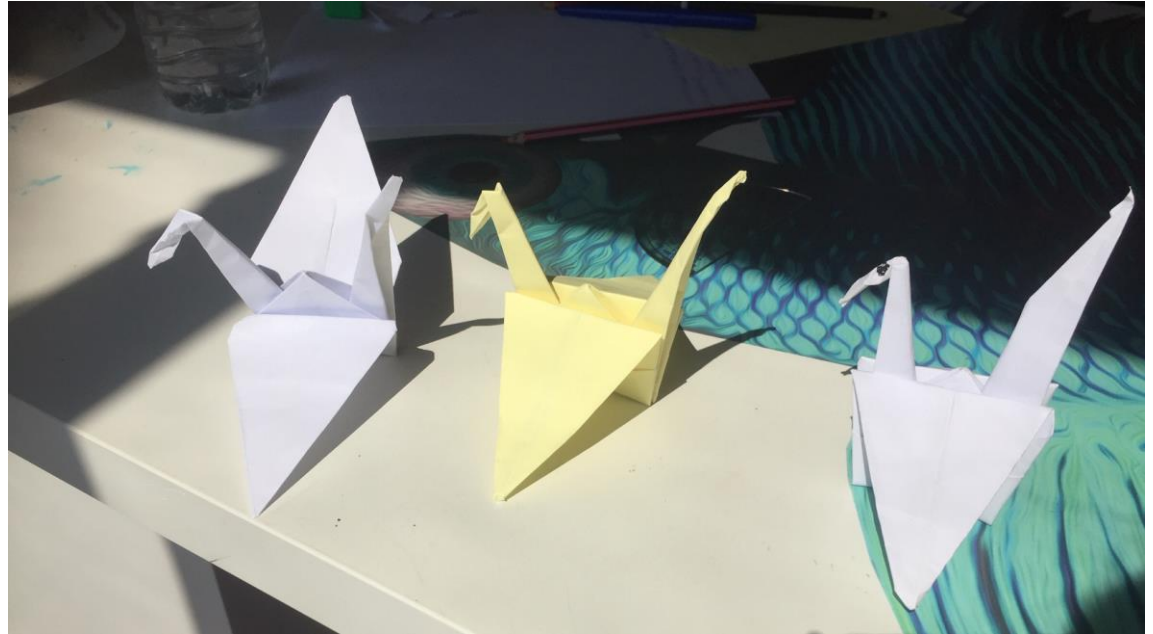
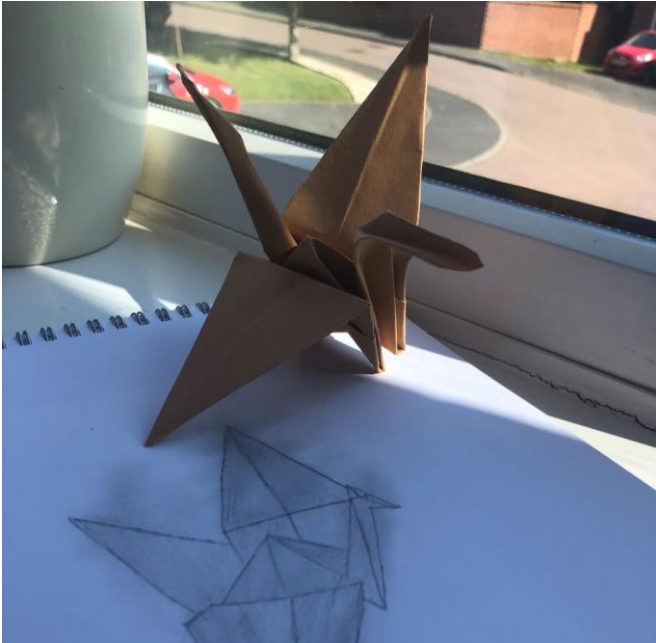
VE DAY  
75th ANNIVERSARY

By Joel Burgess



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"I made it out of tissue paper because when reading about VE day it seemed to me that the jubilation of everyone was somewhat fragile and transparent. Many had lost loved ones during the war so may have not felt that they could celebrate, and more years of hardship and uncertainty followed with the beginning of the Cold War, the continuation of rationing and the British economic crisis.

I wrote on the wings a quote from Churchill's speech from the day "We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing; but let us not forget for a moment the toil and efforts that lie ahead" which seems to be his reminder to the people that the relief and triumph they feel is almost superficial because the war wasn't over yet.

Despite the fact that the 'victory' seemed fragile, after what the people had gone through I think the day represents a sort of tentative defiance and exuberance as they celebrated being able to do things that the war had stopped them from enjoying. I was speaking to my grandparents and they remember the street lights being lit and church bells rang, and I don't want to seem negative about the spirit of VE day by highlighting its transparency because I think despite this the people still came together even though they knew there was still hardship ahead. It really showed the sense of community that the shared experience of the war had given them."

