

Holy Evangelist Catcher

Your students will enjoy this folding paper activity while learning the names and symbols of the 4 Holy Evangelists.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Paper
- Pen or pencil
- “Holy Evangelist Symbol” Template

PREPARATION BEFORE ACTIVITY

- Make copies of “Holy Evangelist Symbols” - Template to follow (*each child needs a set of symbols*)



WHAT TO DO

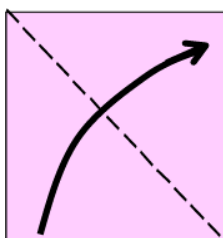
1. Give each child a piece of paper.



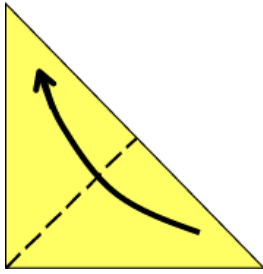
2. Paper must be in a perfect square shape before you begin. For younger students, you may want to do this step ahead of time. Fold the top right corner down towards the left corner and align it with the left edge. Get it as neat as possible.



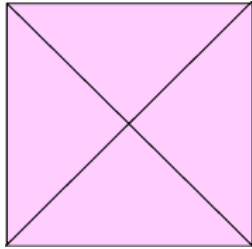
3. Cut off the excess paper at the bottom.



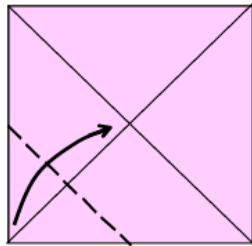
4. Fold paper from corner to corner, making a triangle.



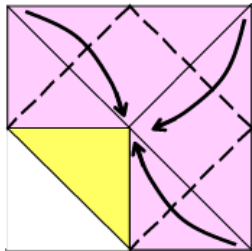
5. Fold the triangle from corner to corner, making a smaller triangle.



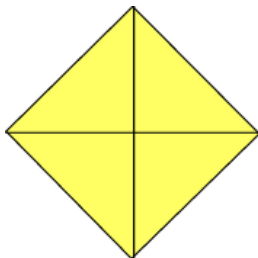
6. Unfold everything -- you'll have a square of paper with an X crease.



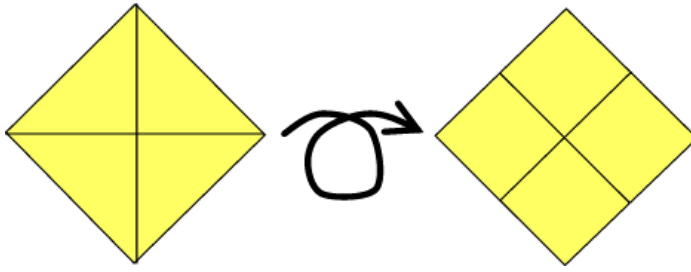
7. Fold the corner to the center of the square (where the X crosses)



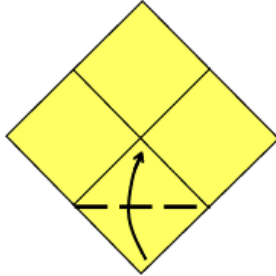
8. Repeat with the other three corners.



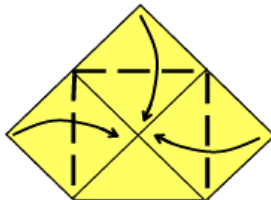
9. And you end up with a smaller square!



10. Flip your paper over



11. Fold the corner to the center of the square (where the X crosses)



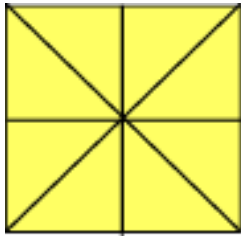
12. Repeat with the other three corners and you'll end up with an even smaller square



13. Fold and unfold the bottom edge of the square up to the top



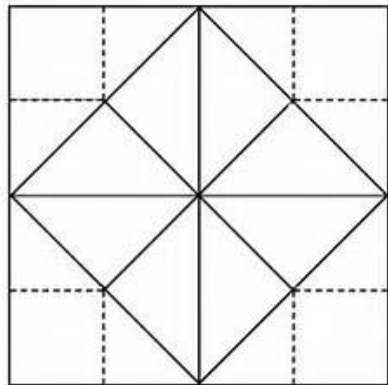
14. Fold and unfold the left edge of the square over to the right



15. so that the creases look like an asterisk across your small square



16. This is easier to do than it is to explain -- basically, you want to push the four corners of the square together in the center and then slide 4 fingers into the flaps of your fortune teller, creasing the folds back so your fingers fit in nicely. You'll be able to move the flaps with your fingers like little puppets.



17. Now it's time to write the words inside your Evangelist Catcher. Start by flattening, so that there are 4 "squares" on top. In each "square," write a number: 1, 2, 3, 4 (these represent the first 4 chapters of the Bible)
18. Turn it over so that there are 4 "triangle" flaps. Across each "triangle, write the name of 1 Evangelist:
Matthew, Mark, Luke, John
19. Cut and paste the corresponding symbol that represents each Evangelist underneath the triangle flap:
Matthew: Man or Angel **Mark:** Winged Lion **Luke:** Winged Ox **John:** Eagle

