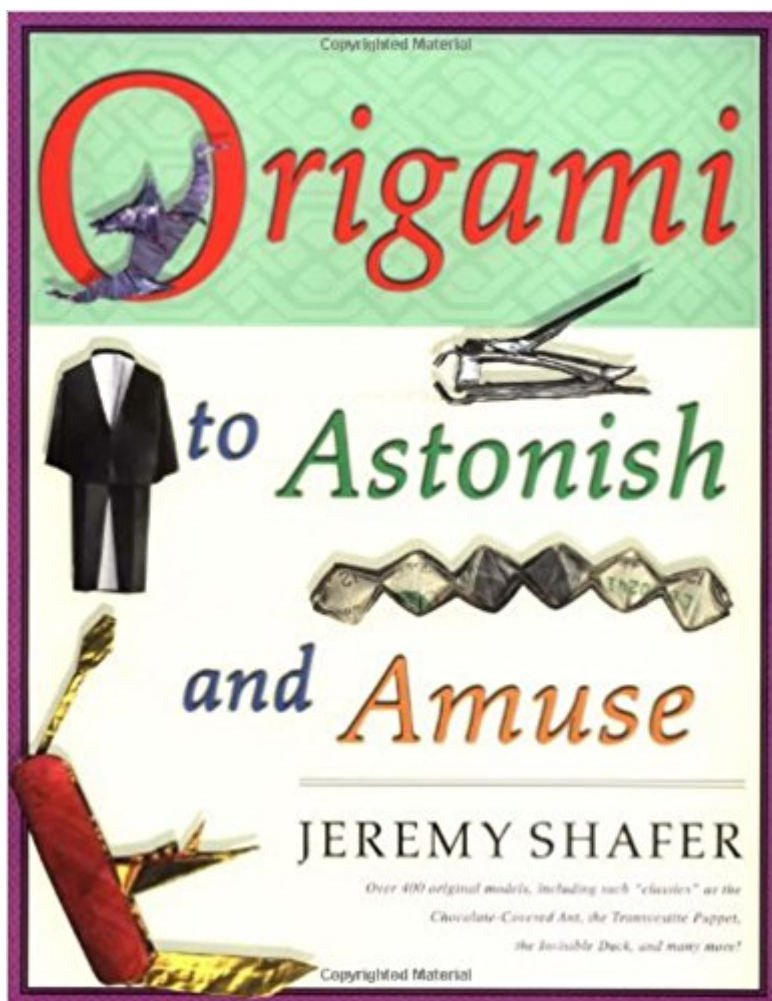


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Origami To Astonish And Amuse



Synopsis

Imagine folding a piece of paper into nail clippers that really work, or a Swiss Army knife that actually opens, or a surfer on a wave that crashes when the surfer is slid forward. These are just a few of the amazing, interactive paper folding projects to be found in *Origami to Astonish and Amuse*. Featuring hundreds of entertaining models and folding ideas, ranging from amazingly simple to ridiculously complex, this inspiring how to do origami book is a perfect fun arts and crafts book for creating toys and decorations the whole family can enjoy.

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Customer Reviews

“A brilliant and bizarre take on art and life.”
Peter Engel, author of *Folding the Universe*

Jeremy Shafer has been folding for fifteen years and has created hundreds of original models, each folded from one piece of paper, without cutting. He has been published in major origami journals in the United States, Japan, and the United Kingdom, and has exhibited his work at seven OrigamiUSA conventions. He is a member of the Friends of Origami Center of America and is the editor of the BARF (Bay Area Rapid Folders) newsletter. He lives in Berkeley, California.

The astonishing aspects of this book have already been covered by other reviews, so in addition to briefly mentioning that my three boys ages 9-11 were completely glued to this book for several months during every single waking hour, and completely astonished every single friend and relative

we have with their unbelievable origami.....I want to share that I noticed a few questionable/controversial/off things in the book that actually made me think twice and not give this as a gift. I didn't want the parents to be put off, which I think could happen. I think my boys were overlooking a few things as they went through it. Just a head's up for anyone that needs to know this specific information. When you're a parent, you gotta be cautious with little ones and it's just good to know what you're getting into.p.s. We found a few of Jeremy Shafer's instructional videos online, and man can my 10-year-old hand whistle now. Bout blew my socks off.

I got this for my 9 year old who likes doing origami. Though he's not very good at origami, this book inspired him to try some new things. He's showed it to adult guests who come over also and they enjoy it as well. (I don't like origami, but even some of the things in this book make me giggle.)

Written with Jeremy Shafer's wonderfully quirky sense of humor, this book is great for all levels of origami folders. The designs range from simple to very complex and show his joy in and passion for origami. The beginning of the book does a nice job of explaining the various folds and bases needed to make the models so when you actually start making things, he doesn't have to explain what a waterbomb base is every time a model uses it. He also has a YouTube channel with video tutorials on some of the models which is where I first found his work. I now look at origami in a new way and have even created a few models myself. Amazing what you can do with a simple square of paper.

I love this book! The models in this book will help me grow my skills (and have fun).Unfortunately, the book was shipped in an envelope - not a box . The irony does not amuse as my origami book was folded in order to fit in my mail box.Please ship this in a box = -1 star

This book is definitely UNIQUE. It is not your ordinary origami book. There are challenges in the book for the novice and the expert folder with 5 levels of complexity. The best thing about Origami to Astonish and Amuse is that its models are functional.--Section one is filled with models that move and can be used as toys or entertainment pieces: Clapping Hands, Piano Playing Pop-up Card, Frog Tongue, and the Swiss Army Knife.--The second section contains symbols, signs, and designs: Musical Notes, Menorah, Star of David, Double Yin Yang, and Wine Glass.--Section three is devoted to "Models from the Heart," which include many functional items that can be given as gifts: several pop-up cards, envelopes, and a present box.--The final section is entitled "Origami for

the Almost Deranged." The folder can attempt to create a Walking Boat, a Jack-O'-Lantern from a t-shirt, a Clogged Artery, an Unopenable Envelope, or a Carbon Atom. Jeremy Shafer seems to enjoy creating models with arms coming out of strange places. He also encourages the folder to create new designs within the confines of his starting models. Besides this, the author explores several geometric models, which he calls "labyrinths" or "flashers." Even if you aren't an expert origami folder yet, the models displayed and the instructions will make you laugh. This has become my favorite origami book.

Great book for a more experienced folder. My daughter was enjoying making smaller items with the smaller origami paper, and seemed a little bored. So I bought her this book. WOW!! Lots of great projects, but it is definitely geared towards the more experienced folder. I would highly recommend this book for a teenager or adult. There is some pretty neat stuff in here. Many projects require multiple papers and there are quite a few that are interactive (move). She really enjoys it when she can find PLENTY of time to sit down and actually figure a project out.

This was a Christmas gift for my 12 year old grandson and he loves it! The skill levels vary from project to project; some quite simple, ranging to pretty complex. I liked the variety of projects and my grandson has had a lot of fun with some of the more unusual ones. While I don't think this would be appropriate for a beginner, I would highly recommend it for anyone with some skill looking for some unique folds.

My son loves it! I gave this book to him as a birthday gift. He just turned 11 yesterday and a huge fan of Jeremy Shafer and his YouTube channel where he knew about the book. He constantly reminds me to buy this from which I finally did. And I am glad - never miss a thing for your child.

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