

Fill in each blank with a word from the box

models by through origami

together upstream folding taught



Origami is the Japanese word for paper (1)_____. ORI means to fold and KAMI means paper. (2)_____, they form the word, “origami.” It is an art form that has been handed down from parent to child (3)_____ many generations. Origami involves the creation of paper forms usually entirely (4)_____ folding. Animals, birds, fish, geometric shapes, puppets, toys and masks are among the (5)_____ that even very young children can learn to make in just one sitting.

In Japan, at one time origami was (6)_____ in schools but today, children are generally taught origami at home. Holidays are celebrated with colorful (7)_____ decorations made by the family. On children’s day (formerly boy’s day), children make colorful carp: a fish that swims (8)_____, against the current. This symbolizes strength.

