



Line Upon Line

2 Nephi 26-30

Objectives:

- Discuss why the Lord teaches “line upon line”
- Talk about Nephi’s prophecies of the restoration of the gospel in the last days

Reinforces Principles of:

- Revelation

This Lesson contains 4 activities:

Choose the activities that fit your family’s schedule.

Use on Mondays to introduce the topic, or the following Sunday to review.

Reverence Time: Song, prayer, scripture and video clip

Lesson Time: Lesson summary and points to ponder

Activity Time: Object lesson or activity

Treat Time: Prayer, theme related recipe



Reverence Time

Approximate Time: 5 minutes

Sing Together: Teach Me To Walk In the Light, Children's Songbook Page 177
If you wish to print sheet music or have an online music file to accompany you visit:
<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/music/library/childrens-songbook/teach-me-to-walk-in-the-light>

Prayer:

Scripture Time: 2 Nephi 28:30

30 For behold, thus saith the Lord God: I will give unto the children of men line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little; and blessed are those who hearken unto my precepts, and lend an ear unto my counsel, for they shall learn wisdom; for unto him that receiveth I will give more; and from them that shall say, We have enough, from them shall be taken away even that which they have.

Video Clip: Watch clips from the Living Scriptures Streaming Library. You can find the clip at <https://www.livingscriptures.com/fhe-lesson-line-upon-line>



Lesson Time

Approximate Time: 10-15 minutes

Lesson

Summary: Nephi prophesied about the last days. He received a revelation from God that taught him that the records he and his descendants were keeping would come forth again in the latter-days to teach people about Jesus Christ. This book would be another witness of Jesus Christ, like the Bible. The book he was speaking about is The Book of Mormon.

Nephi knew that many people would say that the Book of Mormon was not needed, because we already have a Bible, or that we have “enough” revelation and don’t need more. But Nephi reminds us that God teaches us a little at a time, “line upon line, precept upon precept.”

A toddler wouldn’t be able to know everything they should do, but as the child grows, he or she learns a little at a time from family, friends, and teachers until they are ready to leave home and start a family of their own. We learn and grow in the gospel in the same way.

Even today, our prophet receives revelation to help us better understand and live the gospel. We can also receive revelation through prayer and study by the power of the Holy Ghost.

Jesus Christ invites all people to come unto Him, not just the Jews who lived in Jerusalem a long time ago, or the Nephites who lived in the Americas a long time ago. He speaks to all people and helps us to learn day by day the things we can do to return to Him, and help others along our way.

Points to

Ponder:

Why did Nephi and his descendants keep records? (Discuss ideas)

Did ancient prophets foresee the coming of The Book of Mormon? (Yes. Nephi, Isaiah, and other prophets prophesied of The Book of Mormon.)

Why does God teach us “line upon line”, a little at a time? (Discuss ideas)

Will God continue to provide revelation? (Discuss ideas)

Who does Jesus Christ invite to come unto Him? (Discuss ideas)

Quote:

“Both the history of the Church and our personal lives are replete with examples of the Lord’s pattern for receiving revelation “line upon line, precept upon precept.” For example, the fundamental truths of the restored gospel were not delivered to the Prophet Joseph Smith all at once in the Sacred Grove. These priceless treasures were revealed as circumstances warranted and as the timing was right.” *David A. Bednar*



Activity Time

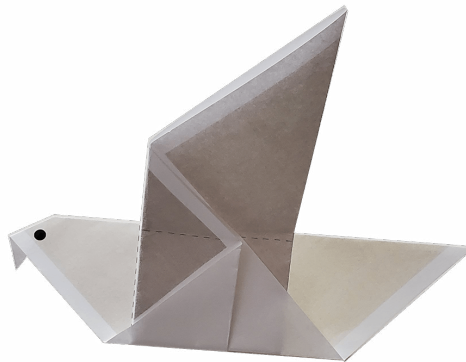
What you need: A copy of “Line Upon Line Origami” activity for each child (artwork included with this lesson, scissors, extra blank sheet of paper.

Preparation

1. Print out the artwork.
2. Cut on the solid line and discard the extra strip of paper, keeping the square-shaped design for the activity.
3. You may want to practice folding so you can confidently demonstrate!

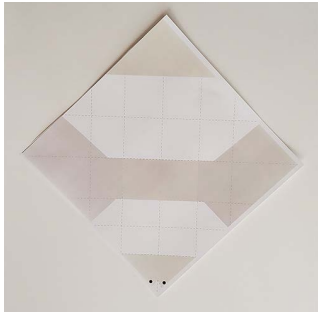
Activity: (Younger children will need help from an older sibling or parent.)

1. Ask: “Do you know how to fold a piece of paper into a bird?” Give the blank piece of paper to a family member and let them try to figure it out. Ask: “If I show you how, fold by fold, line by line, I think you can do it.”
2. Following the instructions, show family members how to fold the bird.
3. After everyone is finished folding, explain: “Just like we had to fold one line at a time to turn our piece of paper into a bird, we learn the gospel one piece at a time. When Heavenly Father thinks we are ready to learn more, He can give us additional revelation. Can you think of a time when the church has received additional revelation?” Discuss recent changes in church policies, the restoration of the gospel in the early days of the church, or teachings Jesus revealed for the church when He lived on the earth. Consider reading Article of Faith #9 and discussing what it means to your family.

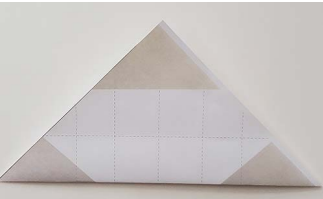


Line Upon Line Origami

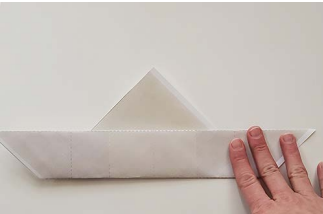
Instructions



Step 1: Begin with a square piece of paper. Lay the paper out in front of you.



Step 2: Fold the paper in half so the printed side facing out, as shown.



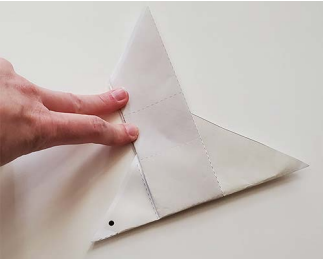
Step 3: Fold part of the bottom up along the dotted line closest to you. This will become the wings.



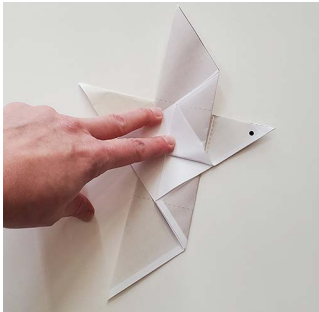
Step 4: Turn the paper over and fold the top layer of paper down along the dotted line.



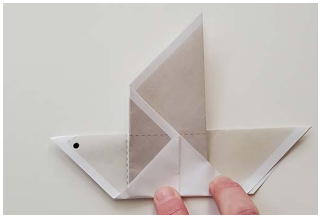
Your paper will look like this once this line has been folded.



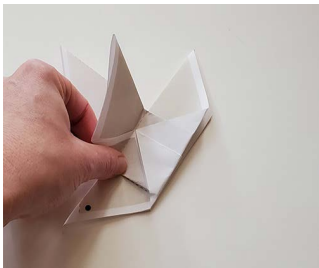
Step 5: Fold the entire figure in half by folding the left side over the right.



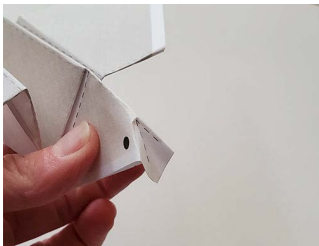
Step 6: Fold the top flap back to make one of the wings.



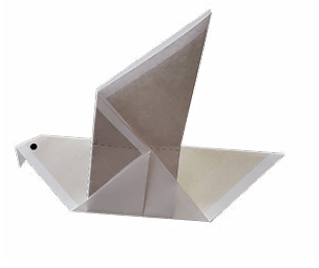
Step 7: Repeat with the other flap to make the second wing.



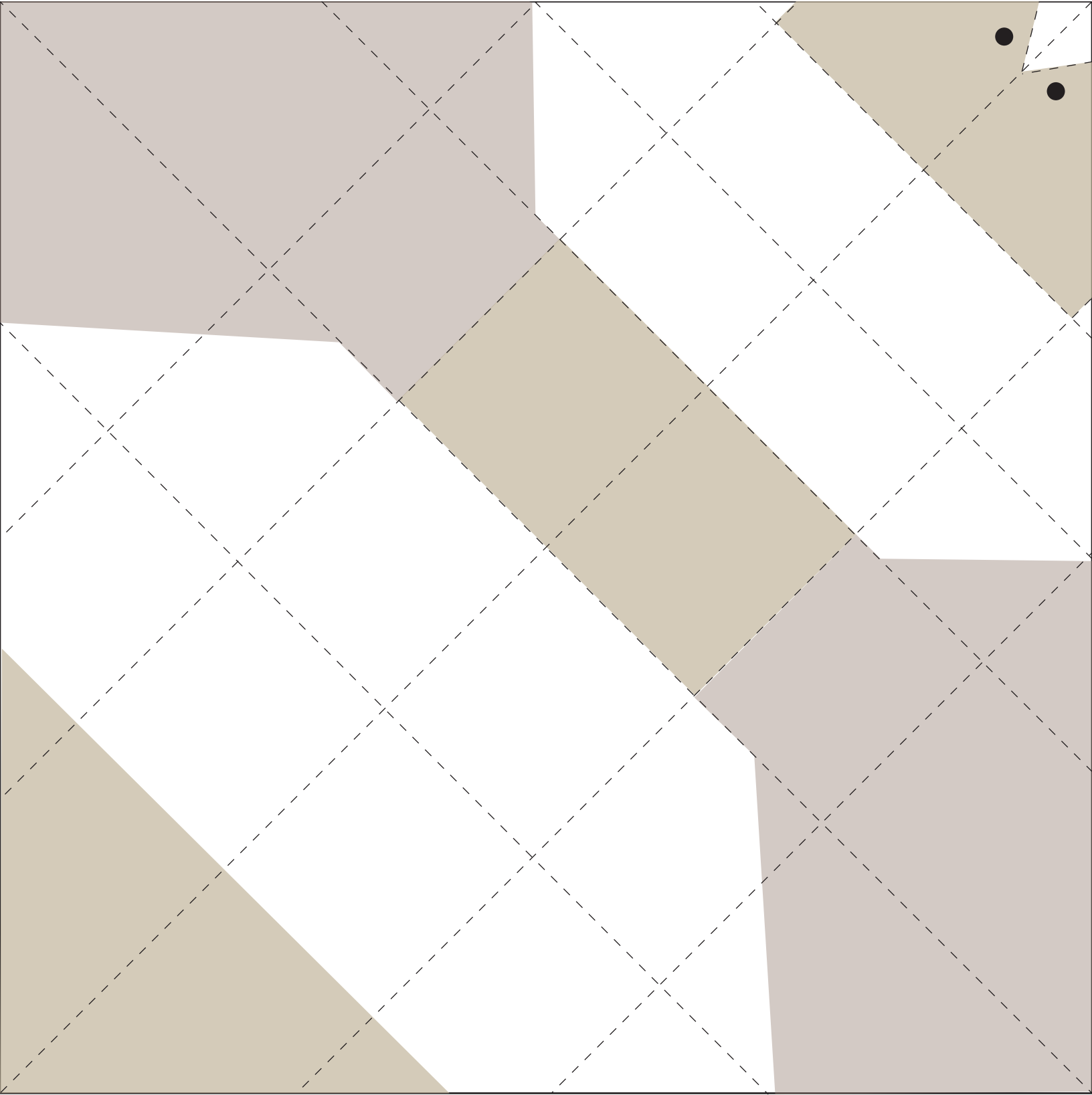
Step 8: Bend each wing down slightly on the dotted line.



Step 9: Push the center of the head in and flatten. This is called an inside reverse fold. Crease on the lines to create the beak.



Your bird is complete!



cut on the line
and remove this
section



Treat Time

Approximate Time: 45 minutes

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Layer Upon Layer Dessert

1 1/4 c. graham cracker crumbs (about 8 full sheets)
1/4 c. melted butter
1/4 c. sugar
8 oz. cream cheese, softened
1 tsp. vanilla
1/2 c. sugar
8 oz. whipped topping
3.4 oz. box instant vanilla pudding
3.4 oz. box instant chocolate pudding
3 cups milk (divided)
chocolate syrup (optional)
chocolate chips (optional)



Combine graham cracker crumbs, melted butter, and 1/4 cup sugar. Press mixture firmly into the bottom of 9 inch x 9 inch pan. In a separate bowl, mix cream cheese and 1/2 cup sugar until creamy. Fold in half (4 oz) of the whipped topping. Spread this mixture on top of the graham cracker crust. In two separate bowls, combine each pudding mix with 1 1/2 cups milk. Whip each thoroughly until mixture is smooth and thickened. Spread vanilla pudding over cream layer, and then spread chocolate pudding over vanilla pudding layer. Spread remaining whipped topping over dessert. Drizzle with chocolate syrup and sprinkle with chocolate chips if desired.

Closing Prayer and blessing on the food.