



## Summarizing

### Activity: Summarizing Fortune Tellers

**Purpose:** To organize and summarize the events in a story.

1. Use this activity after students have read or listened to a story.
2. Print a copy of the Summarizing Fortune Teller handout for each student.
3. Students fold fortune teller according to instructions. It is best to model the steps in the folding process.
4. Using the fortune teller, students summarize the story.

Student 1 (holding the fortune teller)	Student 2 (responding to questions)
"Choose a word ( <i>Get, Into, the, Book</i> )." Holds fortune teller closed.	
	"Into."
"I...N...T...O." (spelling out word, and opening the fortune teller one way on "I", the other way on "N", etc)	
"Choose a word." (Continuing to hold the game open on the four words visible when the last letter "O" was spelt)	
	"You!"
"Y...O...U." ( as done above)	
"Choose a word."	
	"Share!"
Folds open the flap with the word <i>Share!</i> on it, and reads out the question underneath the flap.	
	Student responds to the question.

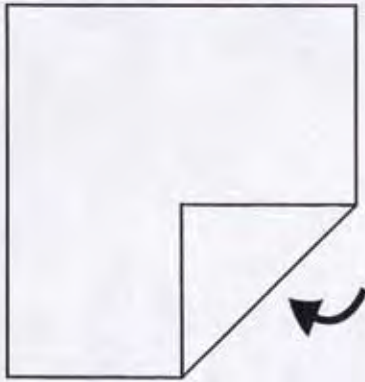
5. Have fun summarizing the stories you've read!

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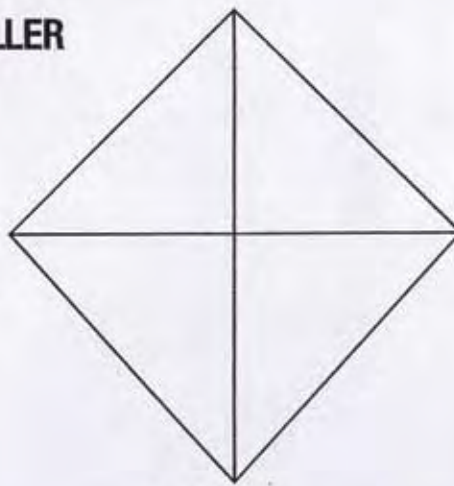


Book!	Share!	You!	the
Read!	<p>What is the author's name?</p> <p>How was the problem solved?</p>		Book!
Write!			<p>What is the title of the story?</p> <p>Who were the main characters?</p>
Get	Listen!	Speak!	
<p>Tell where the story takes place.</p>		<p>When did the story take place?</p> <p>What were the major events?</p>	

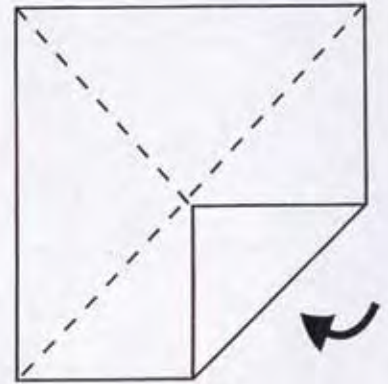
# HOW TO FOLD YOUR FORTUNE TELLER



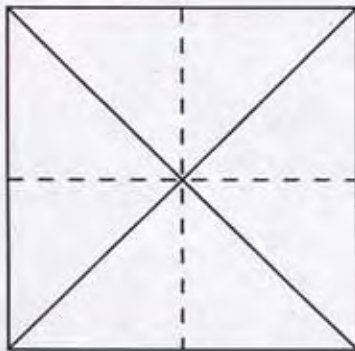
Place Fortune face down.  
Fold each corner so it meets in the middle.



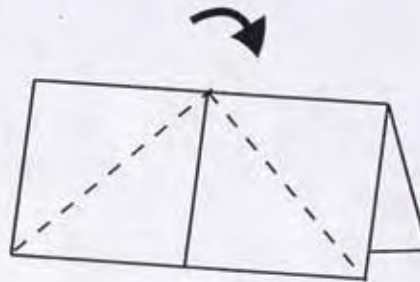
Turn Fortune over.



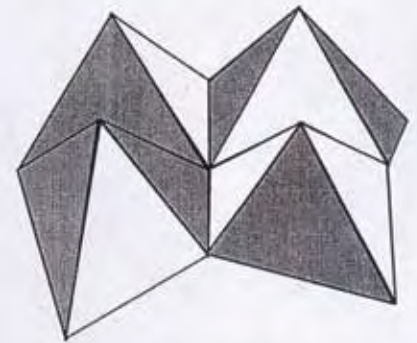
Fold each corner up again  
so it meets in the middle.



Fortune should look like this.



Fold the top over towards you.



Place your fingers under the flaps.  
Move your fingers back and forth so  
you can open and close your fortune.