

Alphabetical Chain of Hearts / Chain of Squares

Age-Group: Primary School / Early High School

Subjects: Languages / History / Sciences

Model-Source: Connected Hearts by Ildikó H. Vass, Hungary, in *Origami Europe*, published by the British Origami Society / Origin of Square-Chain unknown

Method: Teach the children to fold the heart. Let each child write its name on the small centre square. Alternatively, teach the children how to make the chain of squares. The names are then written centrally on each square.

How to use: Together with the children, sort the hearts alphabetically. Then join. If the boys complain too much about the model being a heart, the “Chain of Squares” can be used alternatively. Maybe chains could also be used in science, to describe a series of events (cell phases G1 / S / G2) or in history for time periods (Neolithic / Bronze Age / Iron Age or Gothic / Tudor / Baroque). Even step-by-step instructions could be “chained”. Children could be asked to make chains choosing their own topics, then explaining their chain to the class. The chains could make super classroom decorations.

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