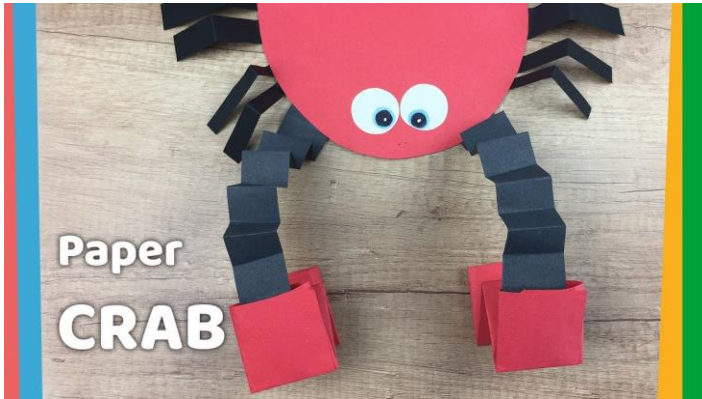


## Maryland Crab



### Materials Needed:

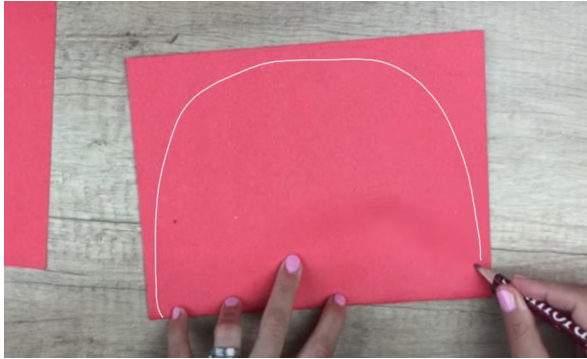
- ✓ 2 sheets of red construction paper
- ✓ Black construction paper
- ✓ Two googly eyes
- ✓ Pencil
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Glue

### Steps:

1. Fold one piece of red construction paper in half.



2. Draw an upside down "U" and cut on the line. This will be the body.



3. Fold the second paper in half and cut along the folded line to make two small pieces.



4. Fold one of the small pieces into thirds.



5. Glue the top flap down after it has been folded.



6. Once the glue is dry, fold the paper in half.



7. Then fold each flap back so that it turns into a square. These will be the pinchers for the crab.



8. Cut a long strip of black construction paper. Fold the end, flip it over, fold it over, and repeat until your paper looks like an accordion.



9. Glue one end of the black legs to the red claw.



10. Repeat steps 4-9 to make a second claw.

11. Cut eight small strips of black paper. These will be the legs!

12. Open the red body piece and glue four legs on each side.



13. Glue the claws on at the front.



14. Glue the body together and add your googly eyes to the top.



**Additional Skill Practice:**

Here are some additional skills you can work on with your kiddo related to this craft:

- Imaginative play – help your crab walk around the room. Watch out for the claws!
- Imitation – move your hands like crab claws
- 1:1 counting – count how many eyes, claws, and legs the crab has.