



Dementia Simulation Toolkit

Scenario: Origami Swan

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Completing a task

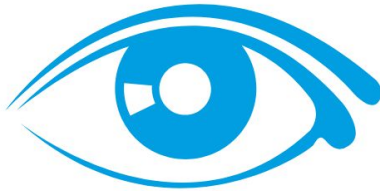
People with dementia can experience cognitive impairments which make it difficult to complete day-to-day tasks. These tasks usually require the completion of a sequenced set of steps; e.g., making a cup of tea, getting dressed.

Understanding instructions

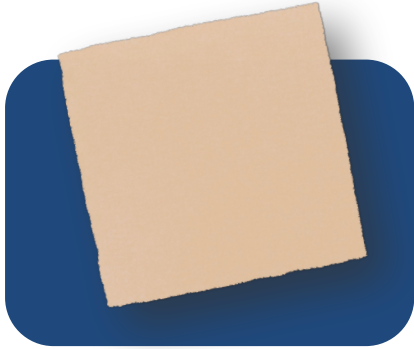
Due to impairments in communication and comprehension, people with dementia often struggle when trying to follow a set of instructions – and this can understandably lead to frustration.



Changes to **perception** (e.g., processing audio and visual stimuli), and **sensory** deficits (e.g., in vision and hearing) can also be detrimental to the ability of a person with dementia to complete tasks and understand instruction.



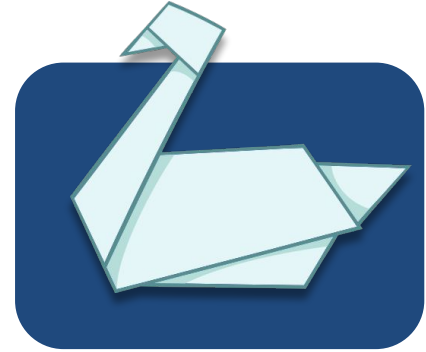
Simulation Activity: **Origami Swan**



Paper



Instructions

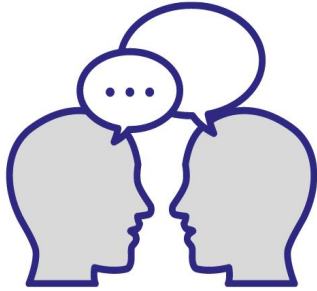


Origami Swan



20 mins

Group reflection



What emotions did you feel during the Origami task?

Which group has the best swan? Do you feel they had an unfair advantage?



How do you think it would feel dealing with that type of confusion on a daily basis?



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