Sailfish

Difficulty: Intermediate

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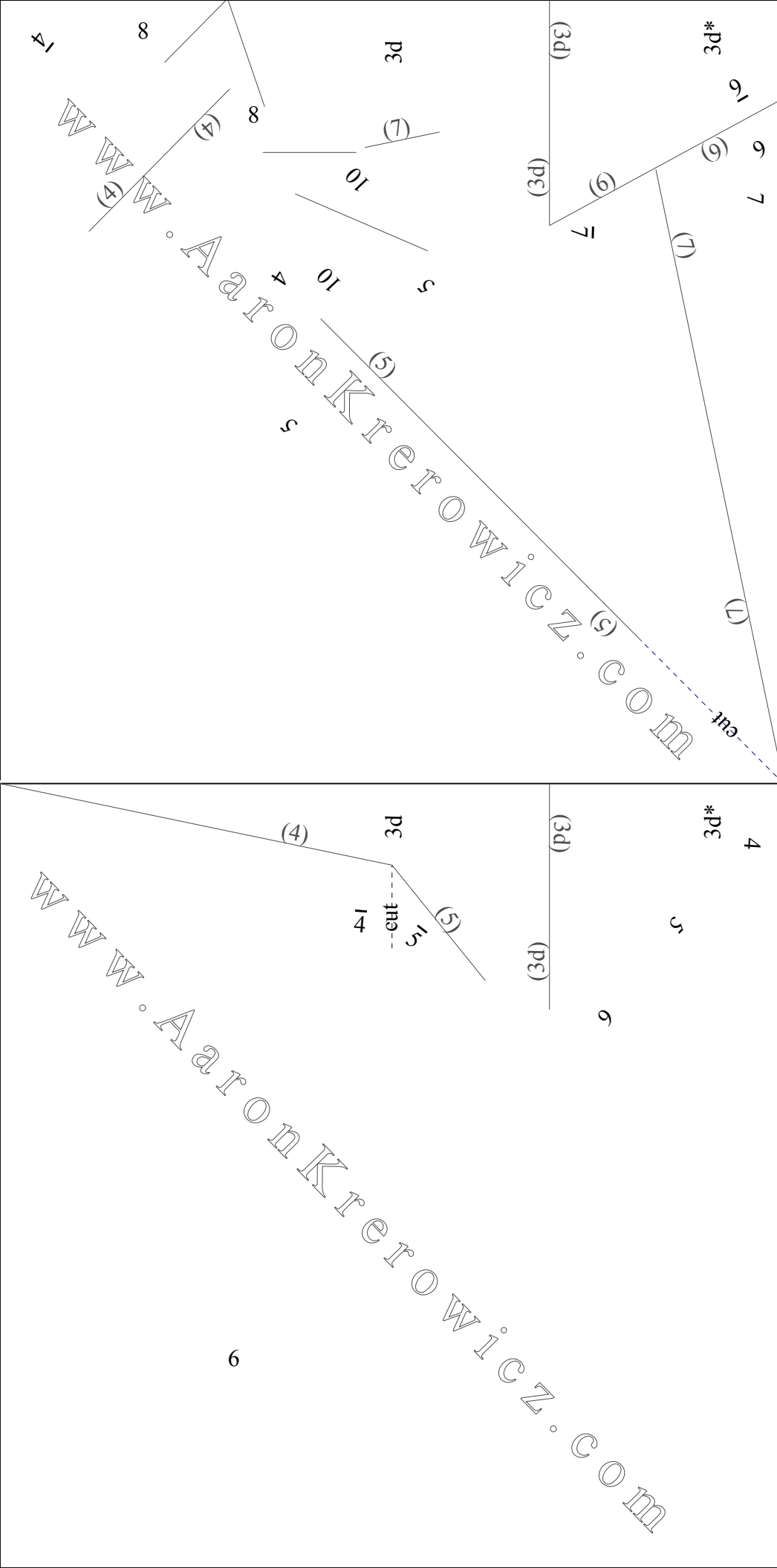www.AaronKrerowicz.com

GENERAL RULES

The solid black perimeter lines indicate where to cut the paper. This will produce two squares – one will form the underside and tail of the sailfish, the other will form the head and back.

Fold the paper so 1 touches 1, 2 touches 2, 3 touches 3, et cetera. Occasionally numbers will be supplemented with letters (ex: 7a and 7b). These indicate multiple points that need to touch in a single fold (ex: 7a must touch 7a, and 7b must touch 7b simultaneously).

Outlined numbers (ex: 1) are to be folded, creased, and unfolded. Overlined numbers (ex: 1) indicate that only the top layer of paper (and not all layers) are to be folded.

The gray lines and accompanying numbers in parentheses illustrate where each fold should crease the paper. After making each fold, double check that you did it correctly by unfolding it and ensuring the crease is in the right place.

4 8 8 3d (3d) 3d*

(4) (4) (7) 10 9 9 6

10 4 5 7 (6) 7

(5) 5 (6) 7

5 (5) (7)

cut (1)

(4) 3d (3d) 3d* 4

cut 4 (5) 5 (3d) 5

6 6

BODY INSTRUCTIONS

Fold 1* to 1, crease, and unfold.

Fold 2 to 2, crease, and unfold.

Cut along dotted line.

Fold 1* to A, crease, and unfold.

Fold 1* to B, crease, and unfold.

Fold 3a to 3a, 3b̄ to 3b, 3c̄ to 3c, & 3d* to 3d. Repeat on other side, ensuring symmetry.

Fold 4̄ to 4.

Fold 5 to 5.

Fold 6̄ to 6, and 7̄ to 7. Repeat on other side, ensuring symmetry. This step creates the sailfish's pectoral fins.

Undo fold 5 being careful not to damage the pectoral fins folded in the previous step, fold 8 to 8, and 10 to 10 (there is no fold 9). Repeat these folds on other side, ensuring symmetry, then re-fold 5 to 5 (again, being careful of the pectoral fins).

Shape tail (no numbers) and glue.

HEAD INSTRUCTIONS

Fold 1* to 1, crease, and unfold.

Fold 2 to 2, crease, and unfold.

Fold 1* to A, crease, and unfold.

Fold 1* to B, crease, and unfold.

Fold 3a to 3a, 3b̄ to 3b, 3c̄ to 3c, & 3d* to 3d. Repeat on other side, ensuring symmetry.

Cut through both layers of paper along dotted line, fold 4̄ to 4, and 5̄ to 5. Repeat on other side, ensuring symmetry.

Fold 6 to 6 and glue together.

Place head on body and glue.