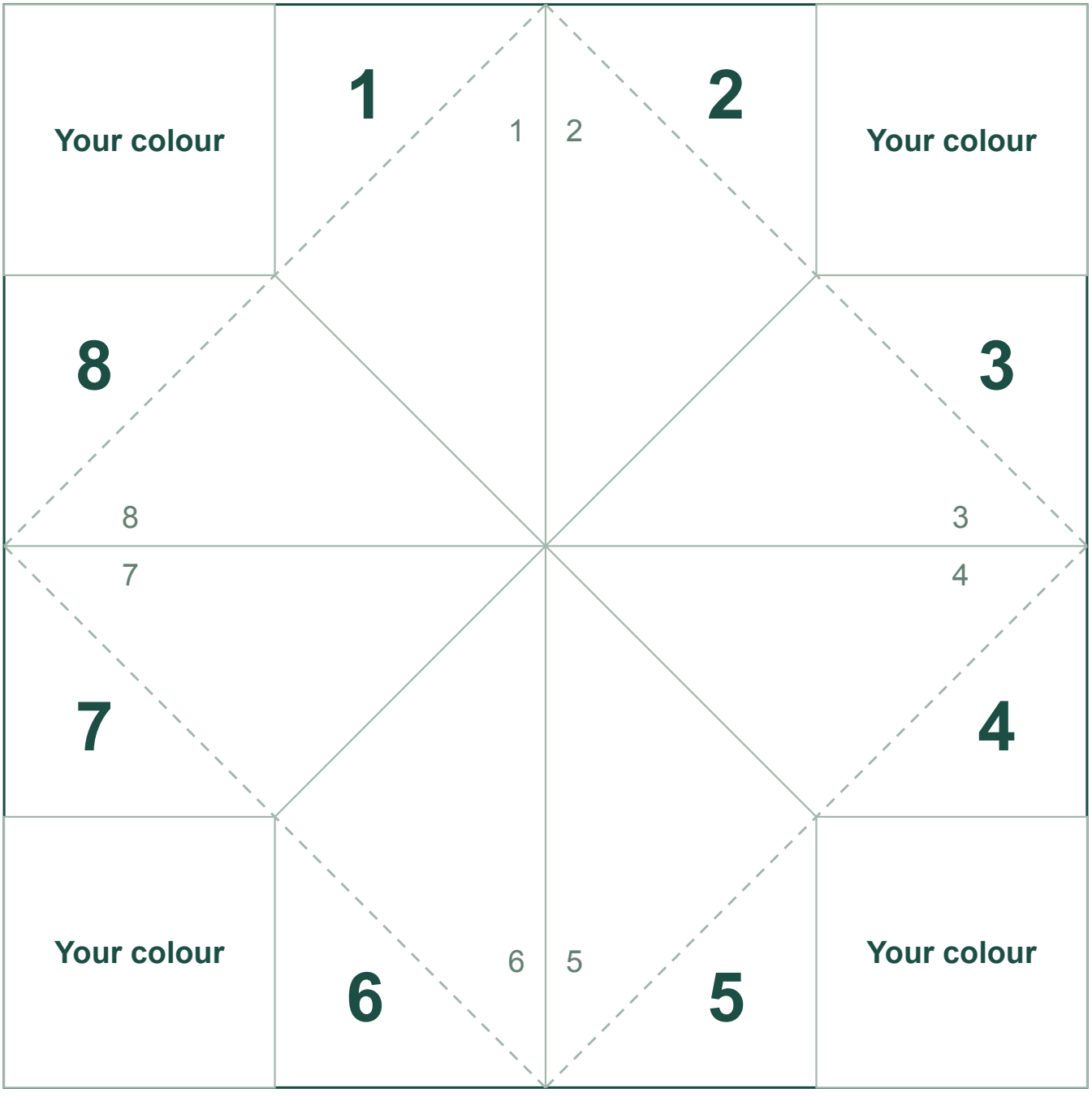
Paper fortune teller

Ready-to-play version: four colours, eight numbers and eight small drawing or story tasks. Cut out the square, then follow page 3.

Do not cut the inside lines. Start folding with the printed side face down.

Your own paper fortune teller

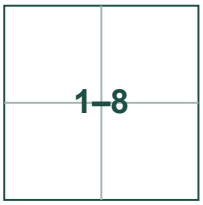
Add colour names in the four corner squares and a short message in each numbered centre triangle. Cut out the square; fold using page 3.



Keep the large numbers 1–8. Write your messages before folding so you have room.

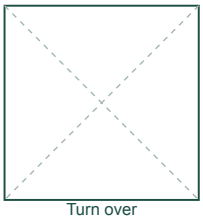
Fold your fortune teller

1. Fill and cut



Write your own short messages on the blank version, or use the ready-made tasks. Cut out only the outside square.

2. Crease and turn

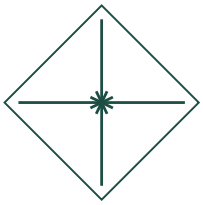


Fold each pair of opposite corners together, then open the paper flat. Put the printed side face down.

3. Four corners in

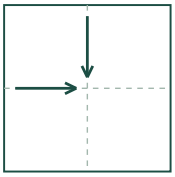
Bring each corner to the middle where the creases cross. Press each of the four folds flat.

4. Turn and repeat



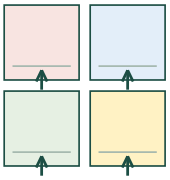
Turn the smaller diamond over. Fold its four corners to the middle once more.

5. Make the hinges



Fold the small square in half, open it, then fold it in half the other way and open it again.

6. Open the pockets



Ease a thumb and first finger from each hand under the four pockets. Bring the corners together gently.

Play a round

1. Choose an outside colour. Move the paper one way and then the other for each letter in its name.
2. Choose a number you can see. Move the paper that many times, alternating the two openings.
3. Choose a visible number again. Lift its flap and read the message underneath.