PAPER BANGER

Annoy your teachers and frustrate your parents with a noisy paper banger. What’s the record? It’s the fastest time to make and pop a paper banger three times – BANG!

**GUIDELINES**

1. For this record, you need to fold a paper banger following the instructions given here, and then pop it three times in a row – all in the fastest time possible.
2. The paper may be of any size, but we would suggest that standard printer paper such as A4 or Letter paper is ideal.
3. The paper may not be pre-marked or pre-folded.
4. You must begin the challenge with both hands and the paper flat upon the table. At a given signal, the time starts – and so can you!
5. The paper must be folded by hand. No scissors or other tools can be used.
6. Once the banger is made, it should be popped in such a way that a loud, audible “crack” is heard; after each “bang”, tuck the extended flap back into the triangle and repeat two more times. Only after the third audible bang does the timer stop.
7. If the banger fails to make a sound, you may refold the flap and try again. Only three audible bangs will count towards the record.
8. For full guidelines, and to register your application, please visit www.guinnessworldrecords.com/2019

**YOU WILL NEED**

- One piece of rectangular paper (A4 or Letter-size printer paper will suffice)
- A stopwatch

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If you use the right material, paper bangers are reusable many times. To achieve the “bang”, pinch one end and give a sharp flick of the wrist.

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Start with a piece of rectangular paper and fold it in half along its longest side.

Fold up one of the sharp corners, following the diagonal edge...

Make four diagonal folds at each end, turning the corners in towards the centre.

...and repeat with the other sharp corner, creating a square.

Open out the centre fold and fold the paper in half, back on itself.

Turn it over and fold the square in half to make a triangle. You should have two loose corners that you hold on to when popping the banger.

See our video guide to making these projects at www.guinnessworldrecords.com/2019