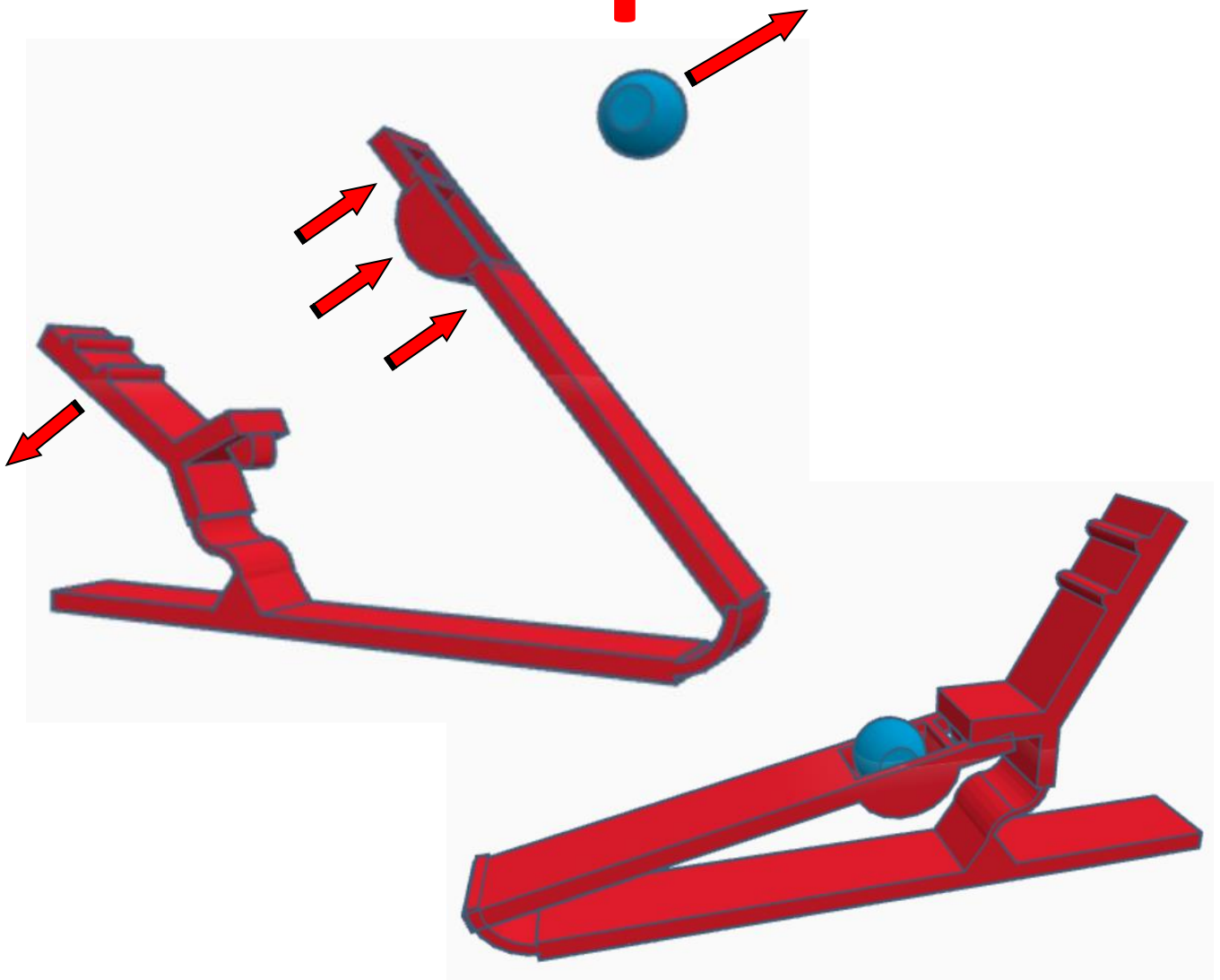


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One piece Catapult



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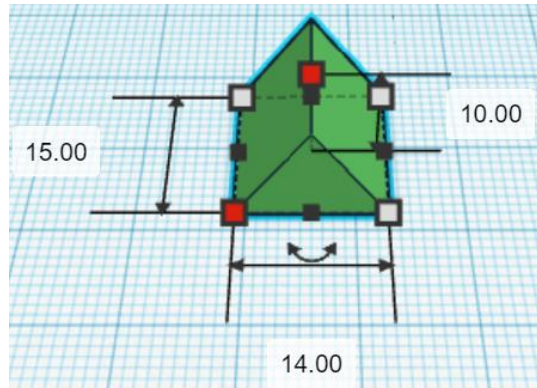
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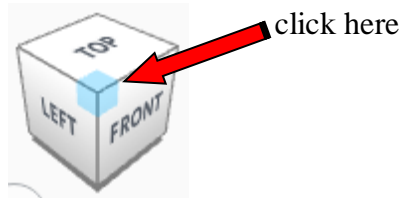
Trigger:

Bring in a Roof, located in Basic Shapes on the left 3 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Trigger Base**.

Change the dimensions to
14mm X direction,
15mm Y direction, and
10mm Z direction.



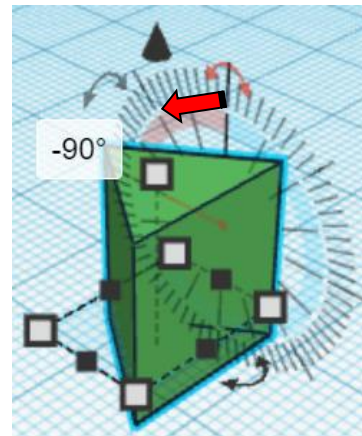
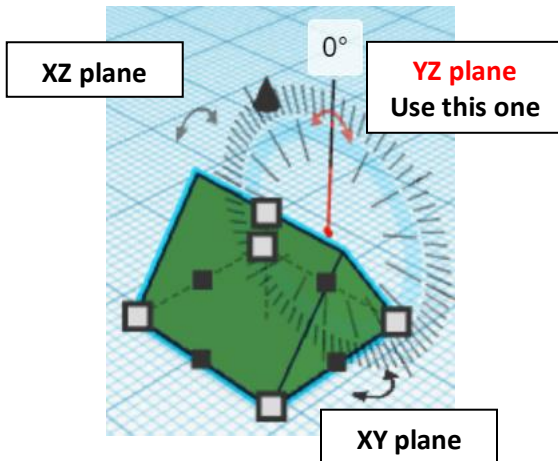
Go to TOP LEFT FRONT view for rotations



Rotate the Trigger Base counter-clockwise 90 degrees in YZ plane.

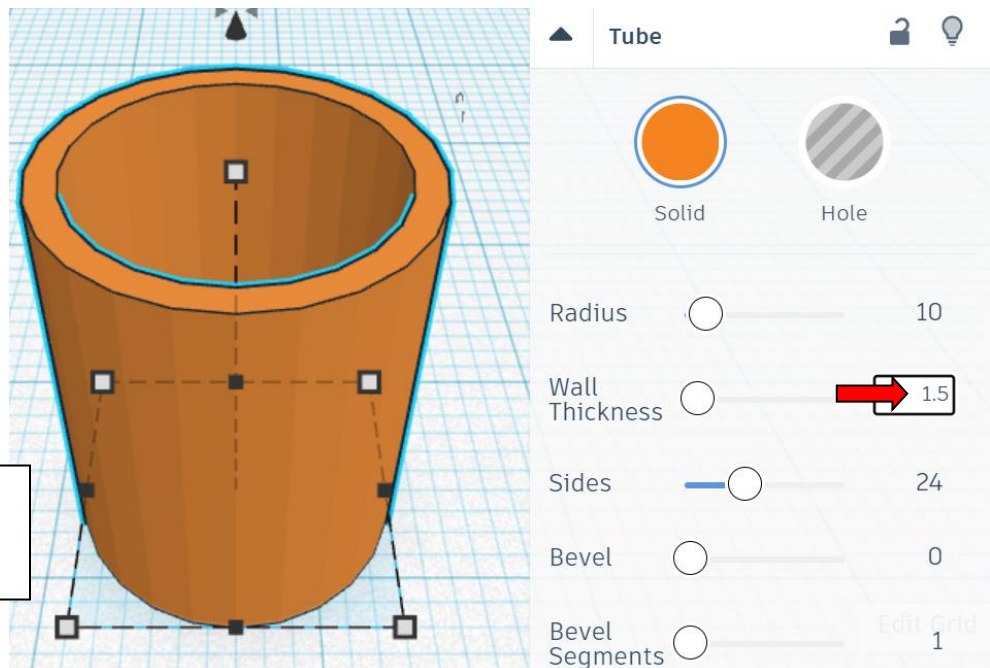
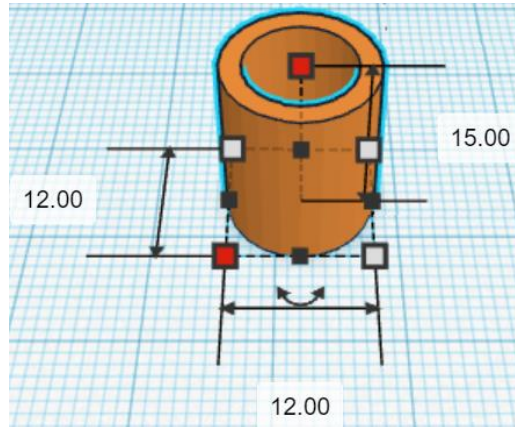
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Bring in a Tube, located in Basic Shapes in the center 6 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Bend 1**.

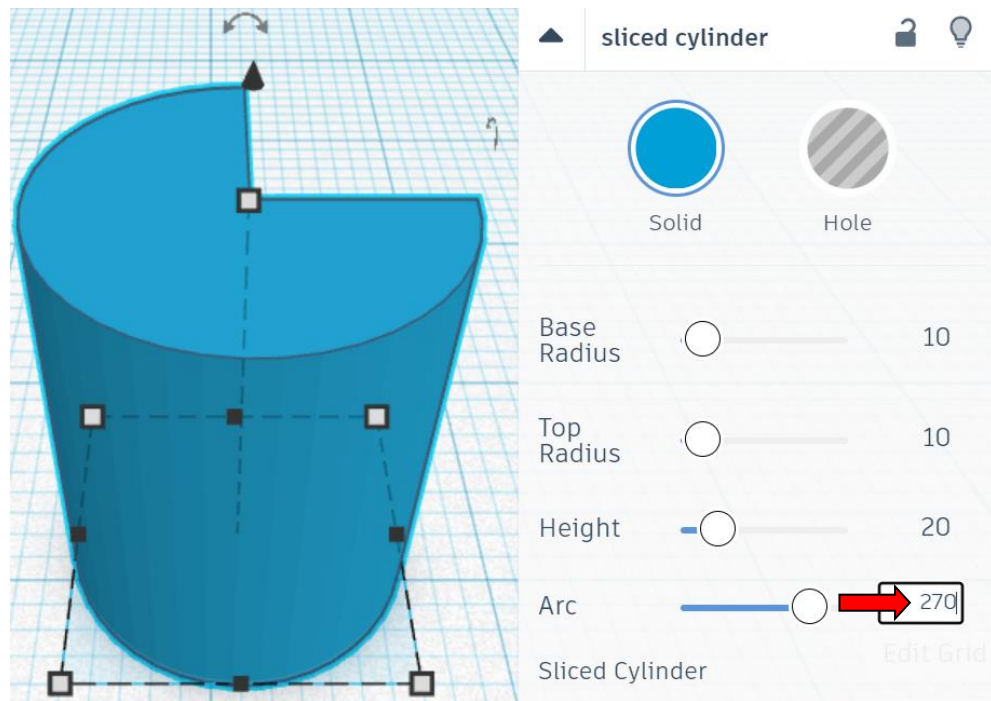
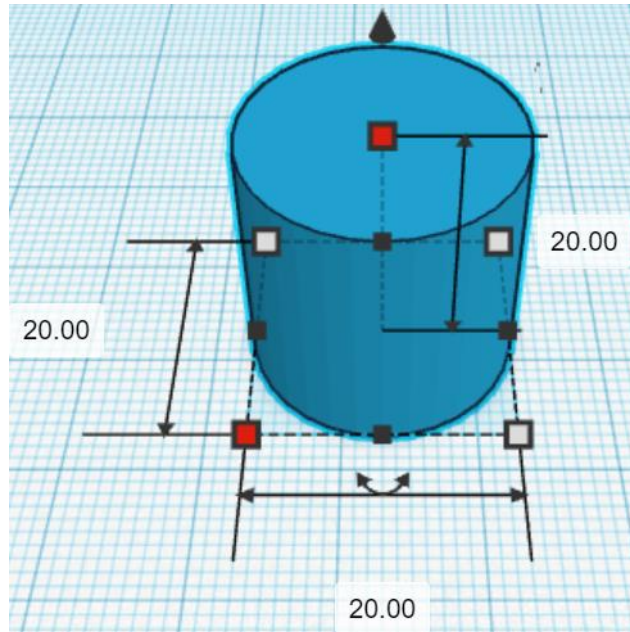
Change the dimensions to
12mm X direction,
12mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.



Change Shape settings to:
Wall Thickness from 2.5 to 1.5

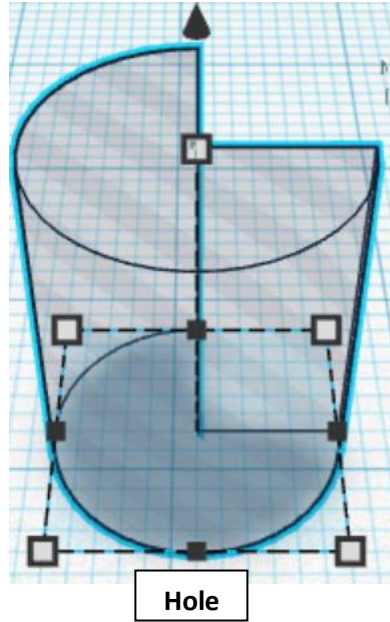
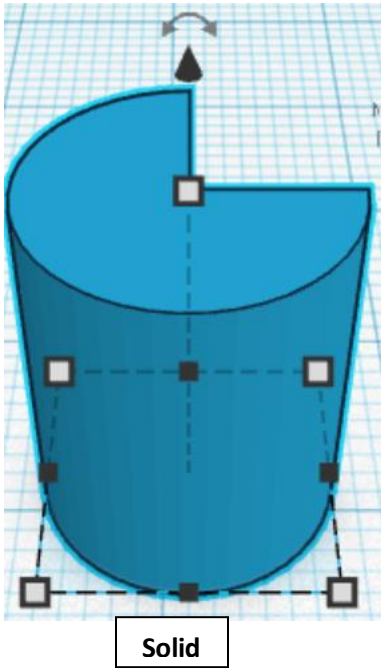
Bring in a Sliced Cylinder, located in Shape Generators, switch to All, on the right 18 shapes down.
(Things in All move each time that TinkerCad adds items to All, so the location may move.)
From now on this will be called the **Bend Cutout**.

Change the dimensions to
20mm X direction,
20mm Y direction, and
20mm Z direction.



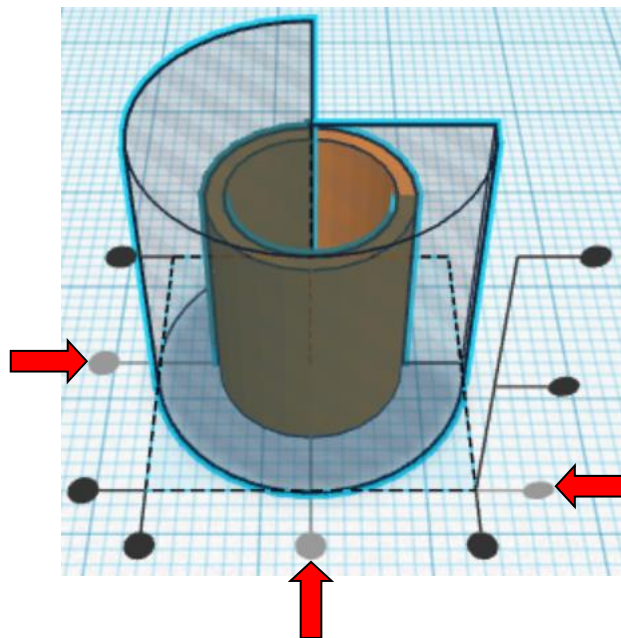
Change Shape settings to:
Arc from 360 to 270

Change Bend Cutoff to **Hole** by selecting Bend Cutoff and typing "h".

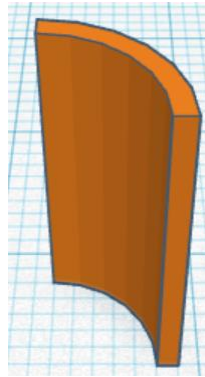


Align Bend 1 and Bend Cutoff

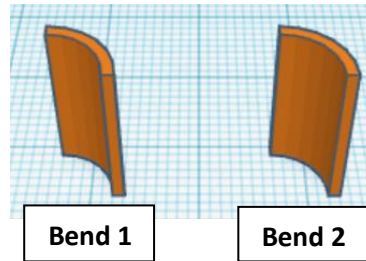
centered in X direction,
centered of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



Group Bend 1 and Bend Cutoff
From now on this will be called the **Bend 1**

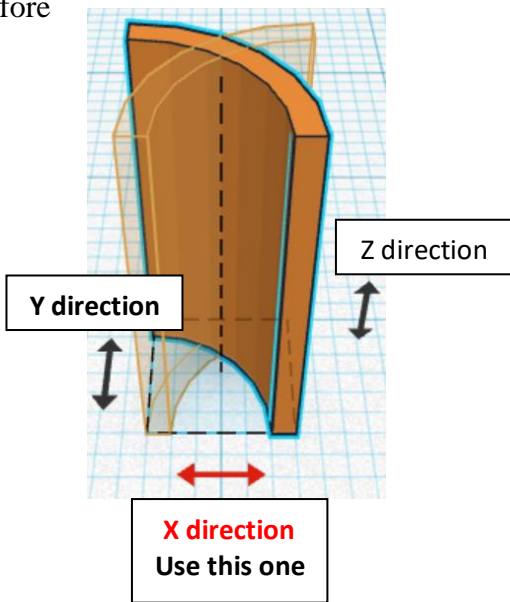


Duplicate Bend 1 (1) time
Move Duplicate to the side
From now on this Duplicate will be called the **Bend 2**

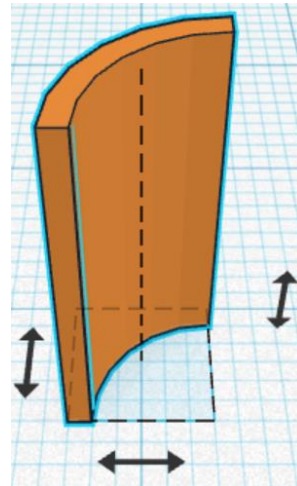


Flip Bend 1 in X direction.

Before

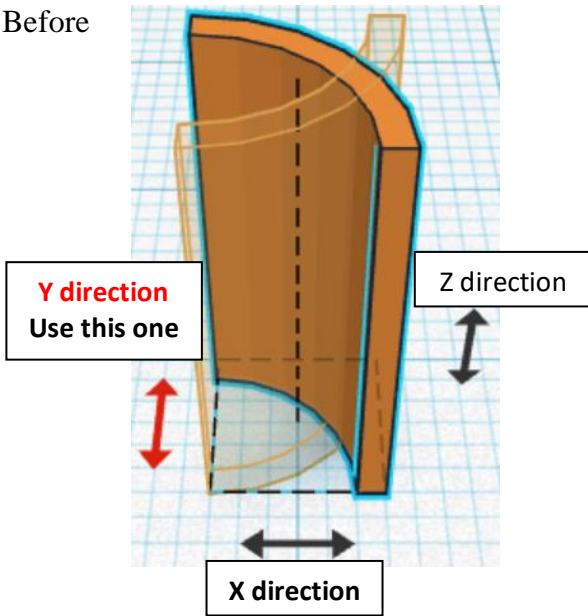


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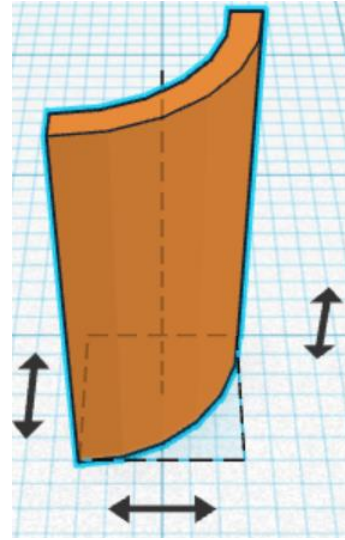


Flip Bend 2 in Y direction.

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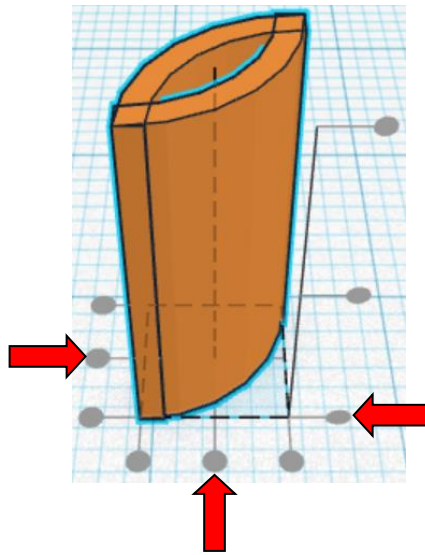


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Align Bend 1 and Bend 2

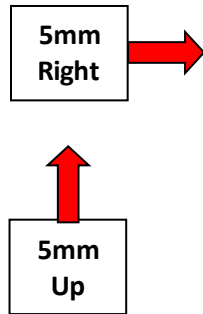
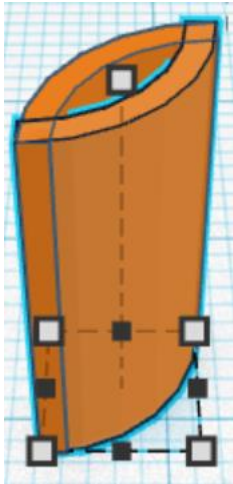
centered in X direction,
centered of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



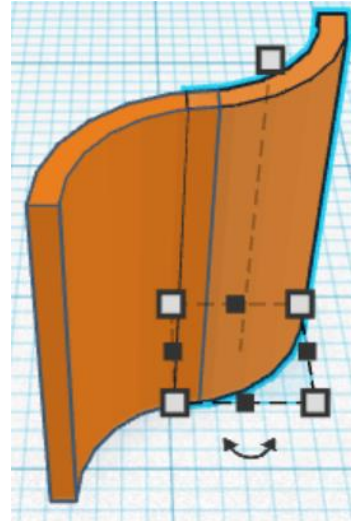
Move Bend 2 (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move right in positive X direction 5mm
and
move back in positive Y direction 5mm

Hint: Select Bend 2 and push right arrow key 5 times.
and
Select Bend 2 and push up arrow key 5 times.

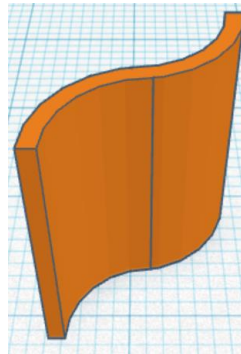
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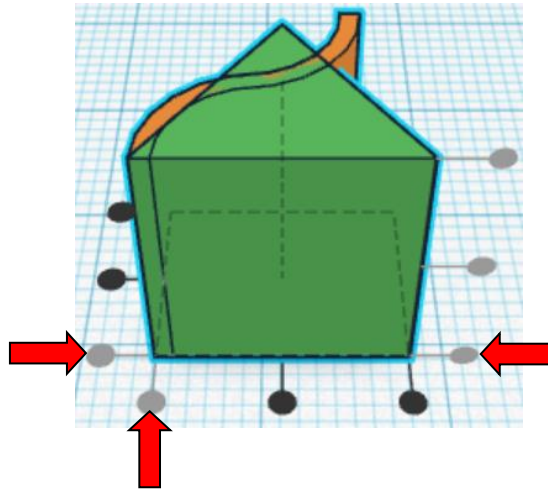


Group Bend 1 and Bend 2
From now on this will be called the **Bends**



Align Trigger Base and Bends

left in X direction,
front of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.

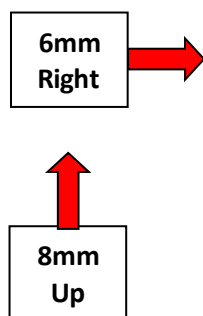
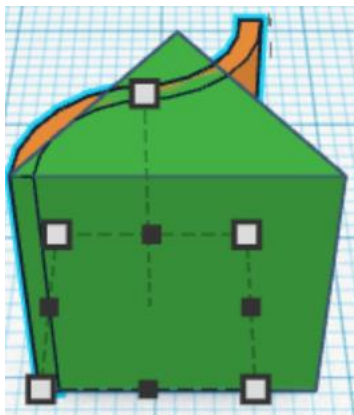


Move Bends (Must be in home view for this to work!)

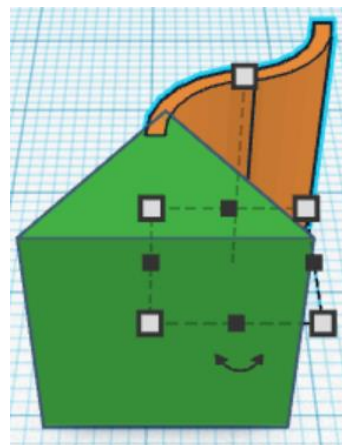
move right in positive X direction 6mm
and
move back in positive Y direction 8mm

Hint: Select Bends and push right arrow key 6 times.
and
Select Bends and push up arrow key 8 times.

Before

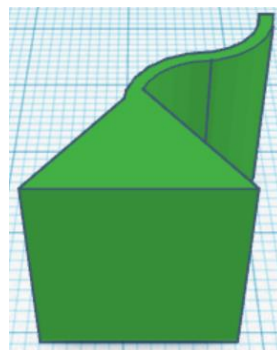


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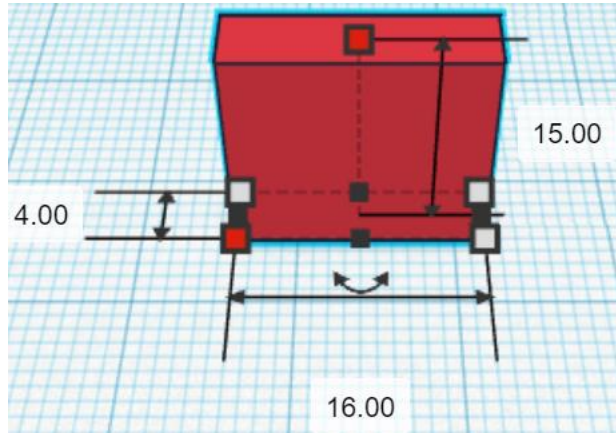
Group Trigger Base and Bends

From now on this will be called the **Trigger Base**



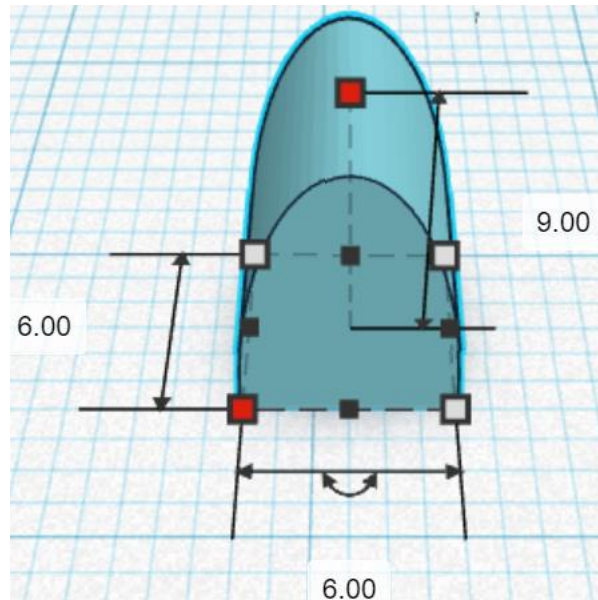
Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Holder Top**.

Change the dimensions to
16mm X direction,
4mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.

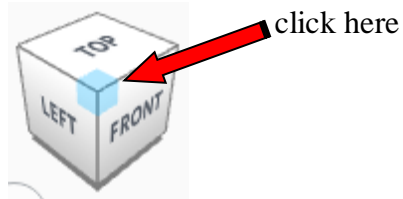


Bring in a Round Roof, located in Basic Shapes on the right 3 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Holder Pin**.

Change the dimensions to
6mm X direction,
6mm Y direction, and
9mm Z direction.

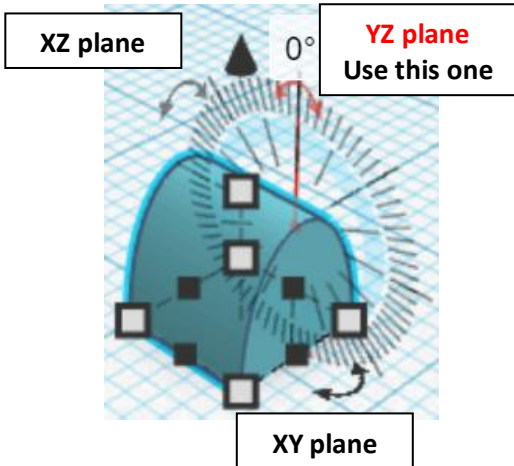


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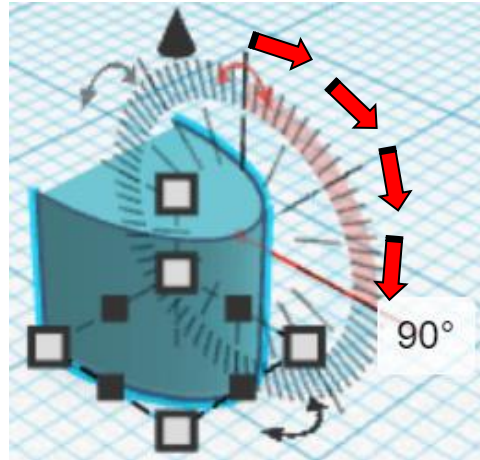


Rotate the Launcher Holder Pin clockwise 90 degrees in YZ plane.

Before

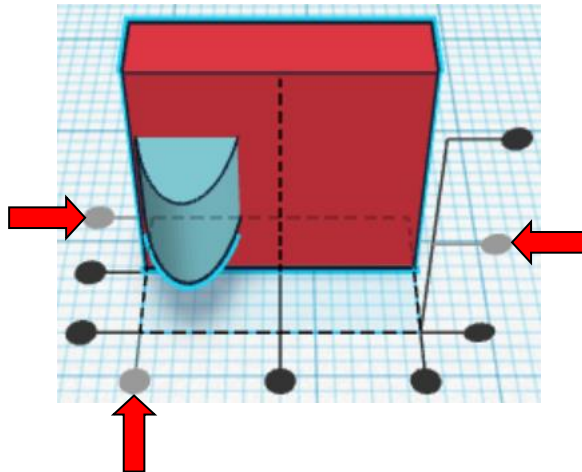


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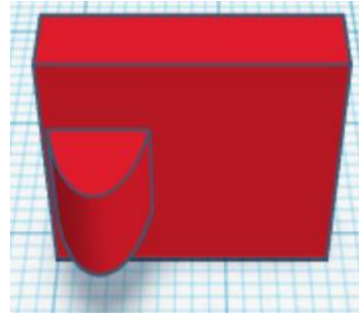


Align Launcher Holder Top and Launcher Holder Pin

left in X direction,
back of Y direction, and
centered of Z direction.

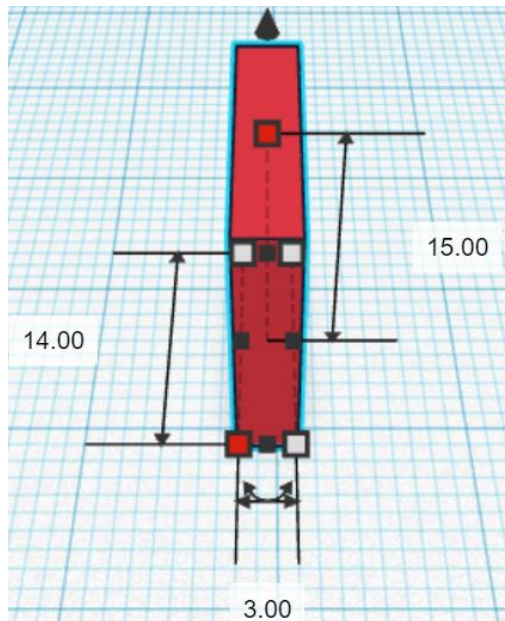


Group Launcher Holder Top and Launcher Holder Pin
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Holder**



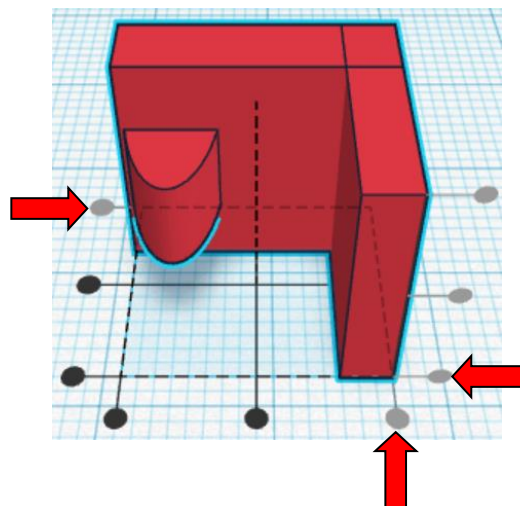
Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Holder Side**.

Change the dimensions to
3mm X direction,
14mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.

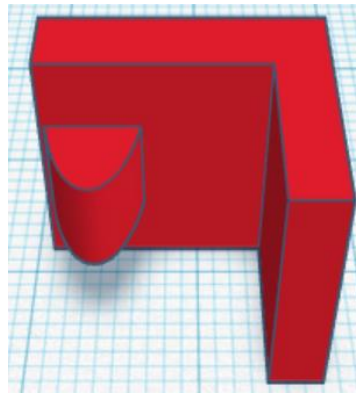


Align Launcher Holder and Launcher Holder Side

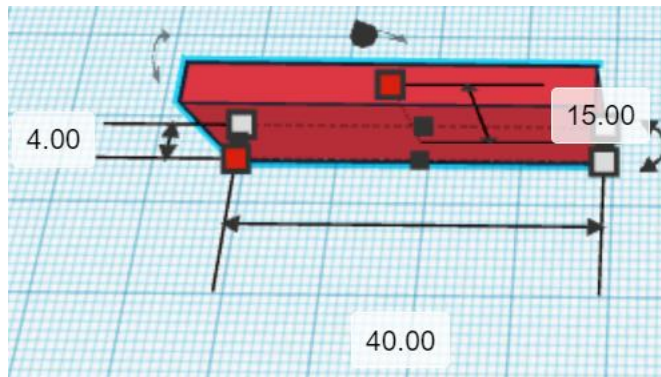
right in X direction,
back of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



Group Launcher Holder and Launcher Holder Side
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Holder**

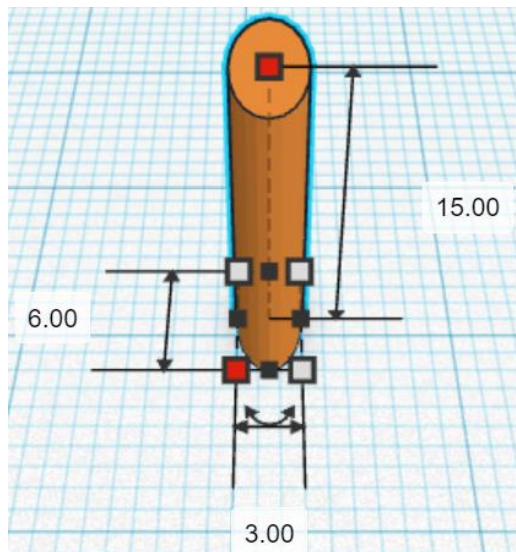


Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Release**.



Change the dimensions to
40mm X direction,
4mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.

Bring in a Cylinder, located in Basic Shapes on the left 2 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Grip 1**.



Change the dimensions to
3mm X direction,
6mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.

Duplicate Grip 1 (1) time

From now on this Duplicate will be called the **Grip 2**

Move Grip 2 (Must be in home view for this to work!)

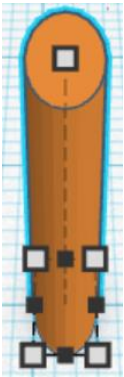
move right in positive X direction 10mm

Hint: Select Grip 2 and push right arrow key 10 times.

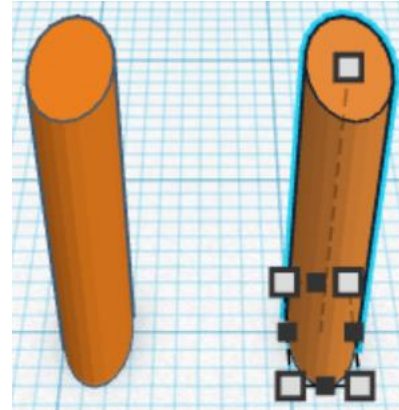
or

Select Grip 2 and hold shift and push right arrow key 1 time.

Before

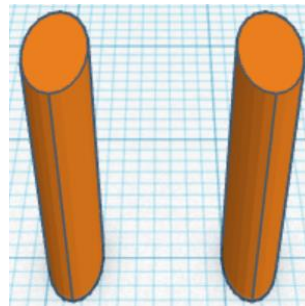


After



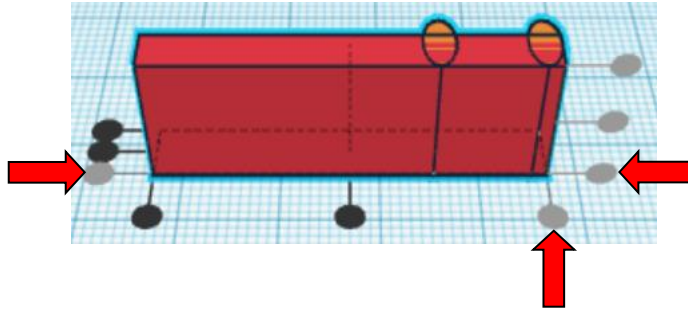
Group Grip 1 and Grip 2

From now on this will be called the **Grips**



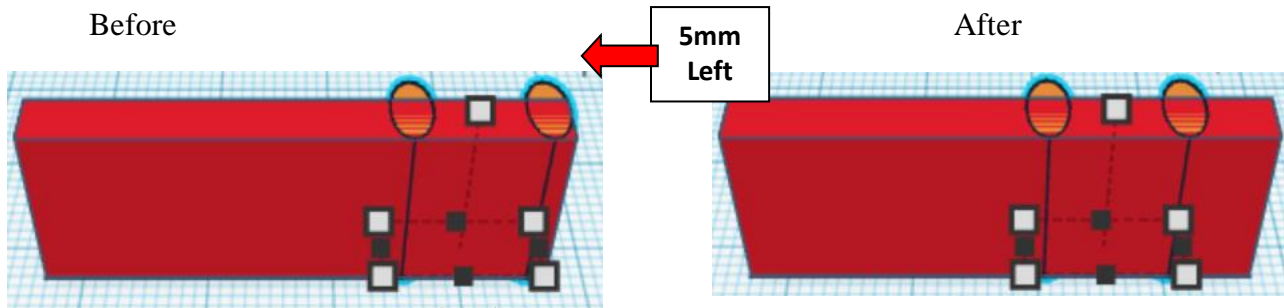
Align Launcher Release and Grips

right in X direction,
front of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



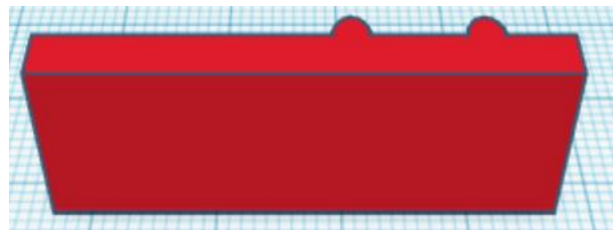
Move Grips (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move left in negative X direction 5mm

Hint: Select Grips and push left arrow key 5 times.

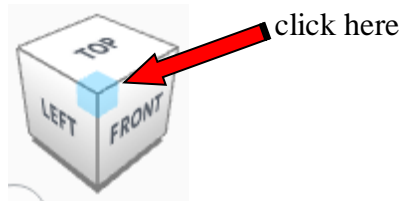


Group Launcher Release and Grips

From now on this will be called the **Launcher Release**

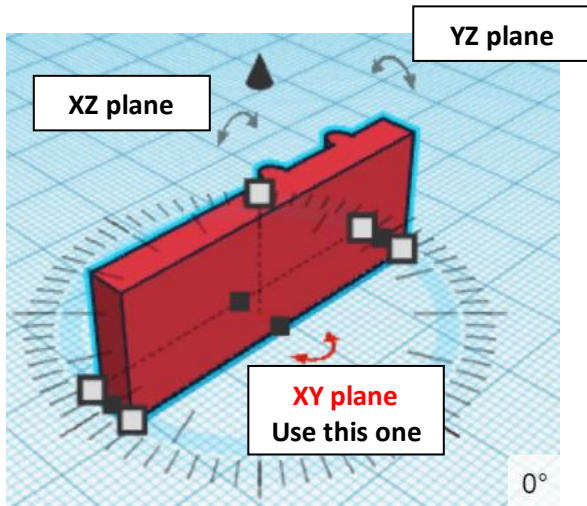


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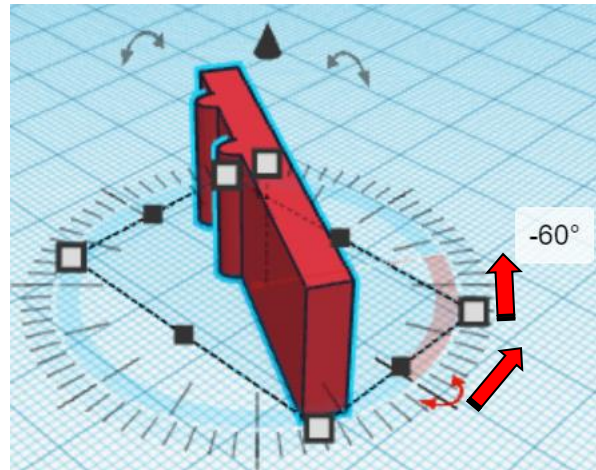


Rotate the Launcher Release counter-clockwise 60 degrees in XY plane.

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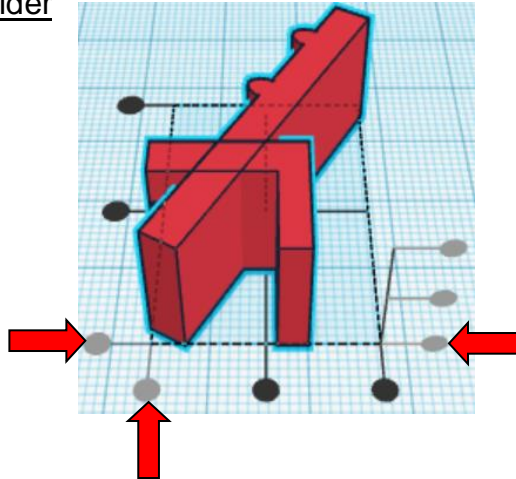


After



Align Launcher Release and Launcher Holder

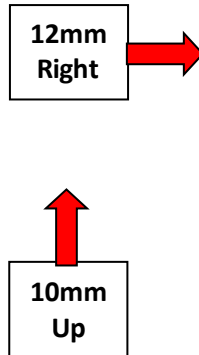
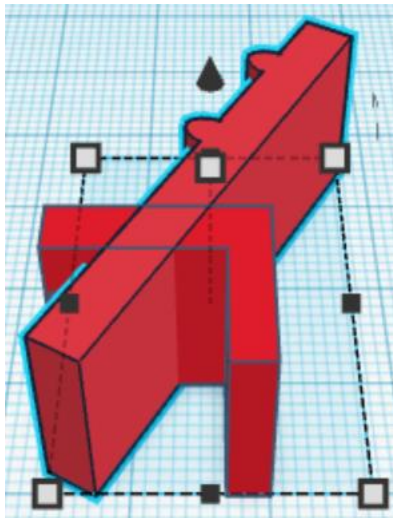
left in X direction,
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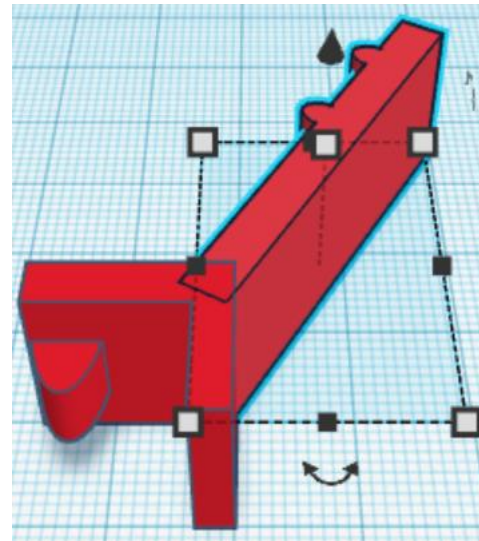
Move Launcher Release (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move right in positive X direction 12mm
and
move up in positive Y direction 10mm

Hint: Select Launcher Release and push right arrow key 12 times.
And
Select Launcher Release and push up arrow key 10 times.
Or
Select Launcher Release and hold shift and push right arrow key 1 time.
Then release shift and push right arrow key 2 more times.
And
Select Launcher Release and hold shift and push up arrow key 1 time.

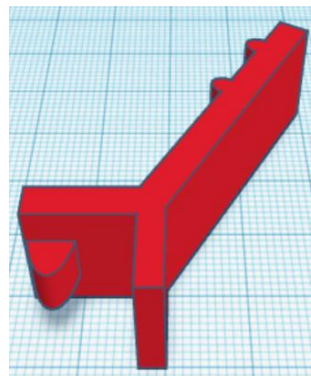
Before



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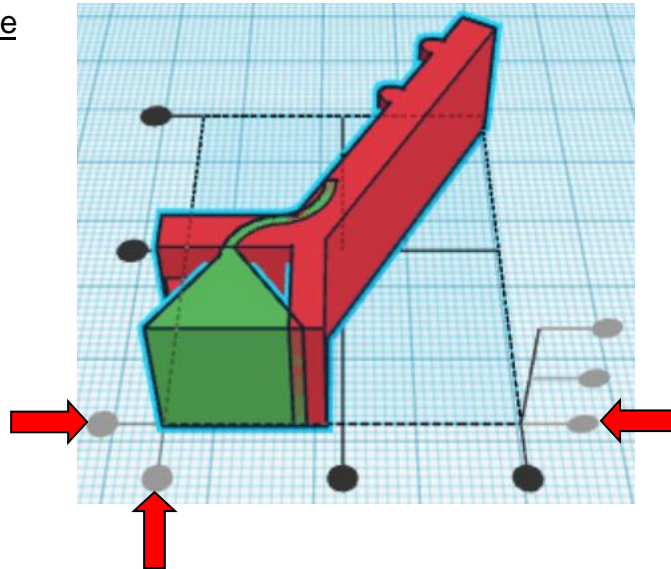


Group Launcher Release and Launcher Holder
From now on this will be called the **Launcher Release**



Align Launcher Release and Trigger Base

left in X direction,
front of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.

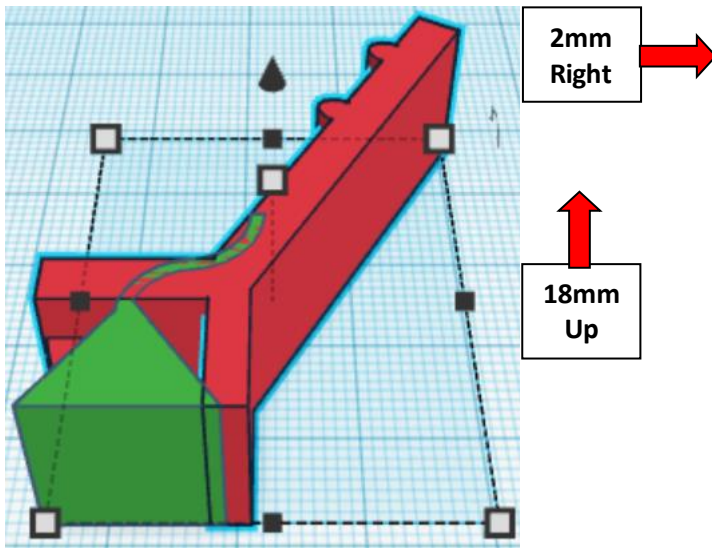


Move Launcher Release (Must be in home view for this to work!)

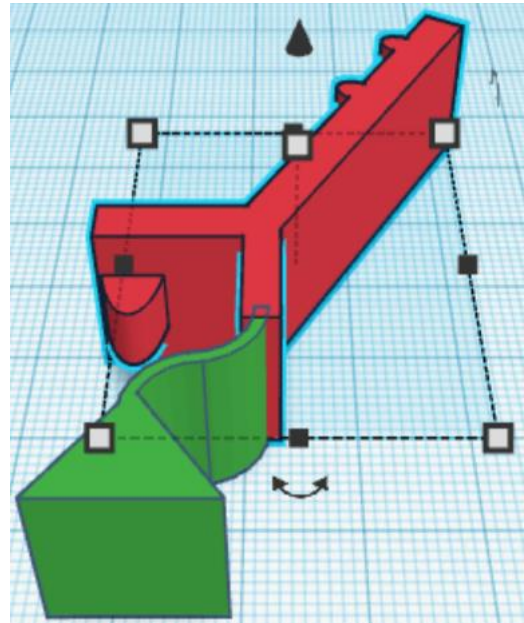
move right in positive X direction 2mm
and
move up in positive Y direction 18mm

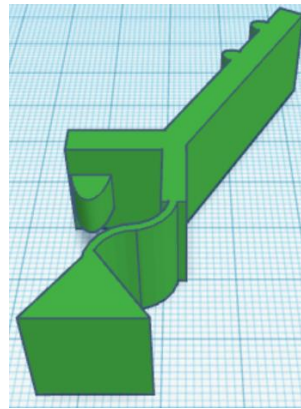
Hint: Select Launcher Release and push right arrow key 2 times.
And
Select Launcher Release and push up arrow key 18 times.
Or
Select Launcher Release and push right arrow key 2 times.
And
Select Launcher Release and hold shift and push up arrow key 1 time.
Then release shift and push up arrow key 8 more times.

Before



After



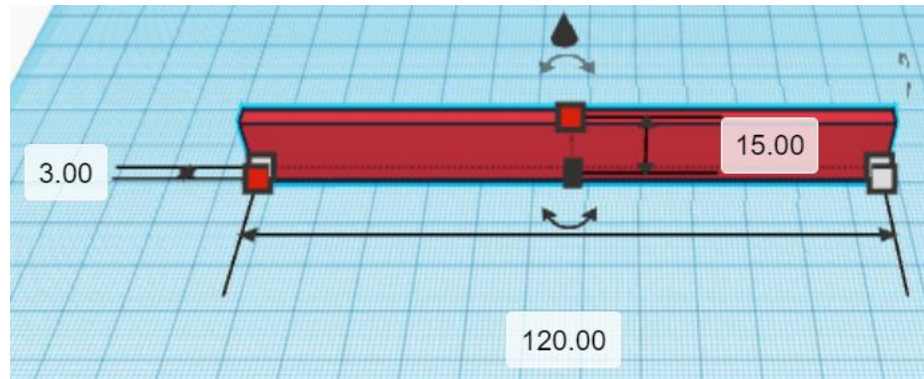


Group Launcher Release and Trigger Base
 From now on this will be called the **Trigger**

Base:

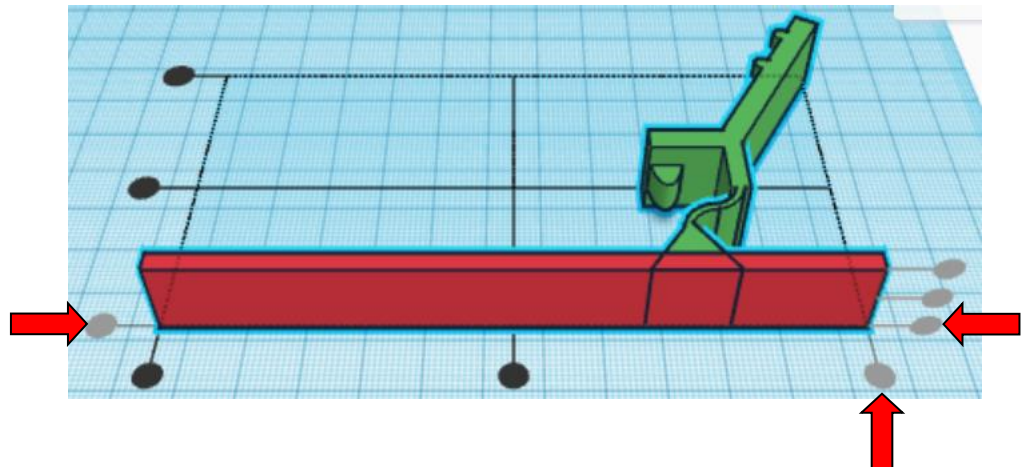
Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
 From now on this will be called the **Base**.

Change the dimensions to
 120mm X direction,
 3mm Y direction, and
 15mm Z direction.



Align Base and Trigger

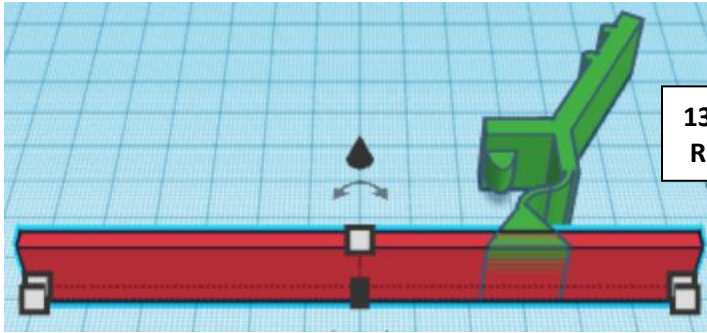
right in X direction,
 front of Y direction, and
 bottom of Z direction.



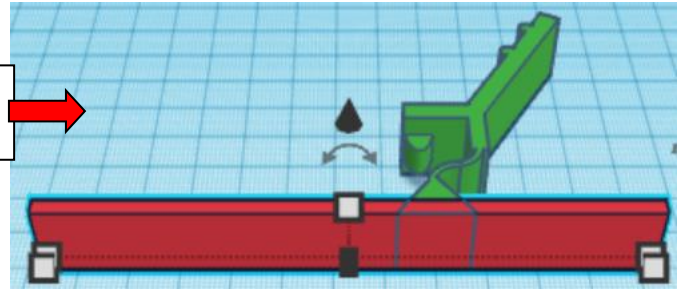
Move Base (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move right in positive X direction 13mm

Hint: Select **Base** and push right arrow key 13 times.
Or
Select **Base** and hold shift and push right arrow key 1 time.
Then release shift and push right arrow key 3 more times.

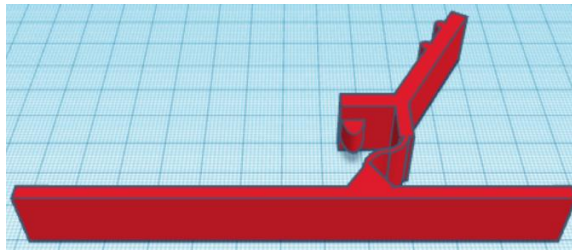
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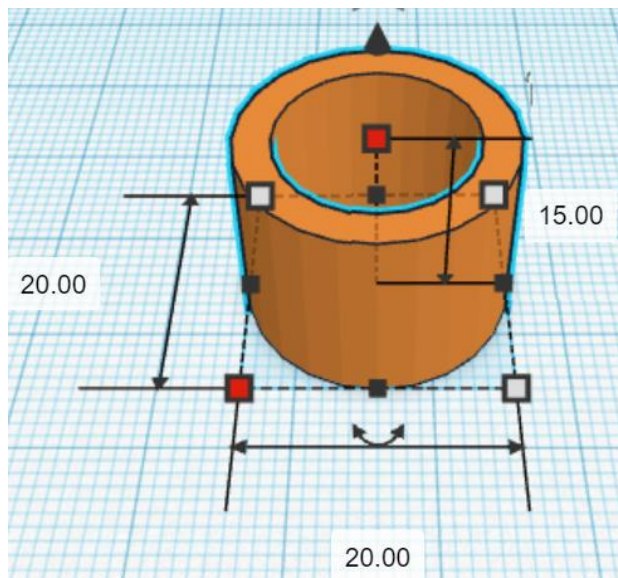


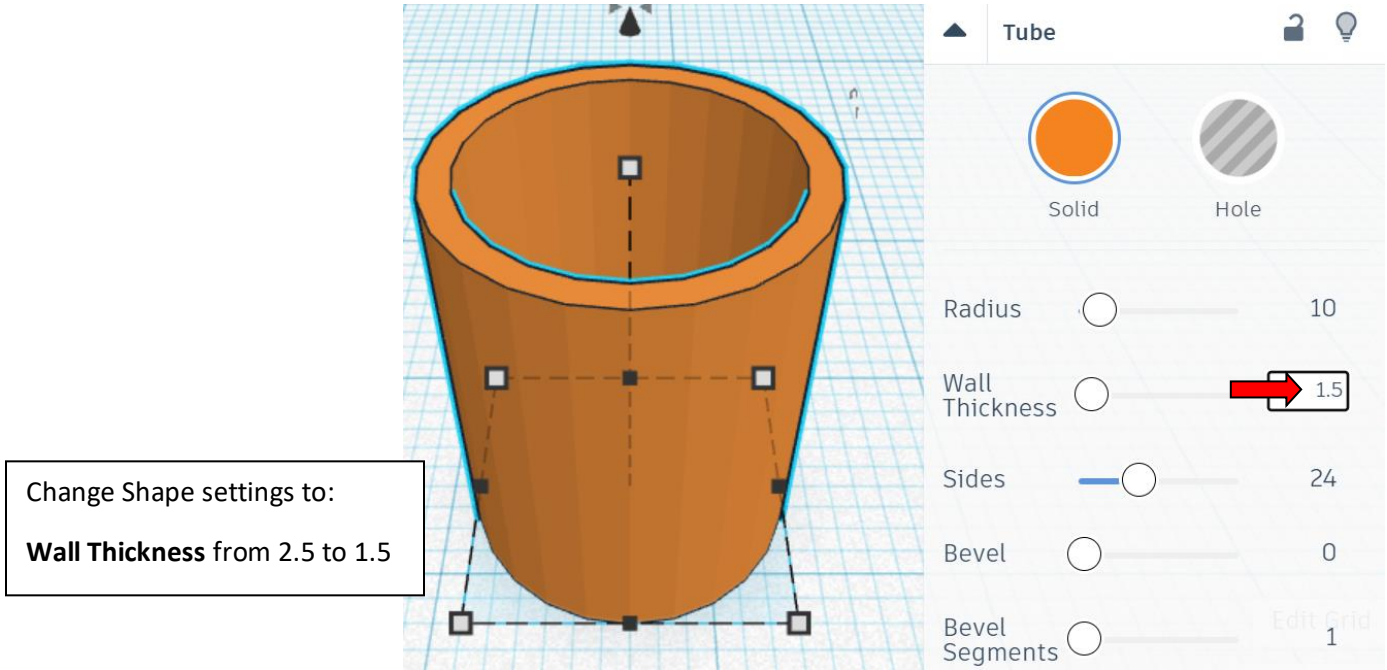
Group Base and Trigger
From now on this will be called the **Catapult**



Bring in a Tube, located in Basic Shapes in the center 6 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Bend 3**.

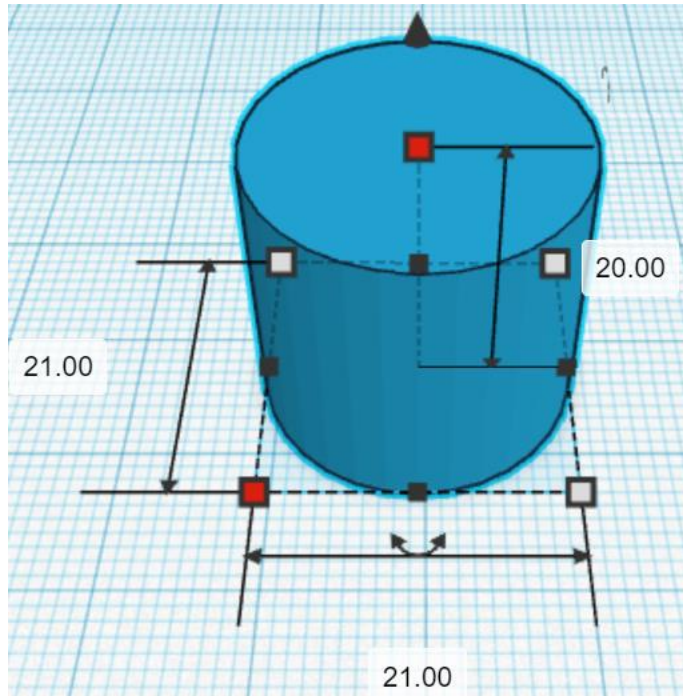
Change the dimensions to
20mm X direction,
20mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.



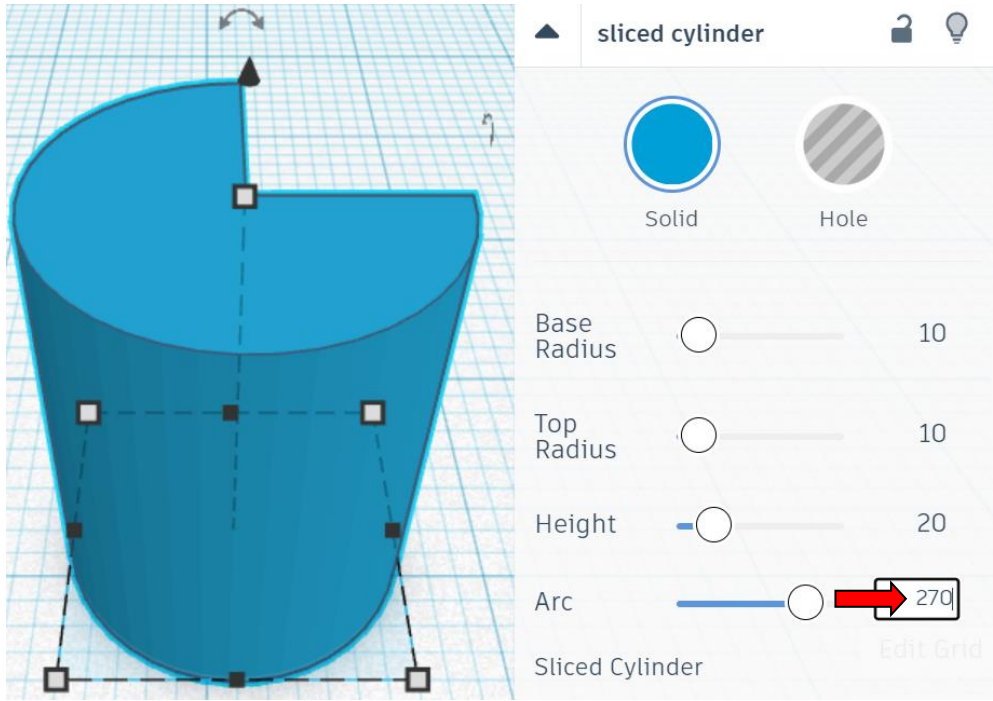


Bring in a Sliced Cylinder, located in Shape Generators, switch to All, on the right 18 shapes down. (Things in All move each time that Tinkercad adds items to All, so the location may move.) From now on this will be called the **Bend 3 Cutout**.

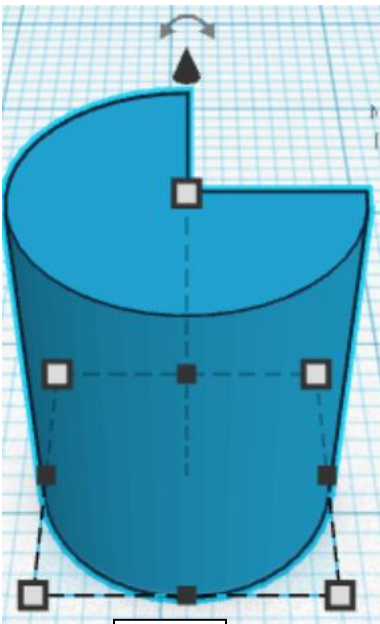
Change the dimensions to 21mm X direction, 21mm Y direction, and 20mm Z direction.



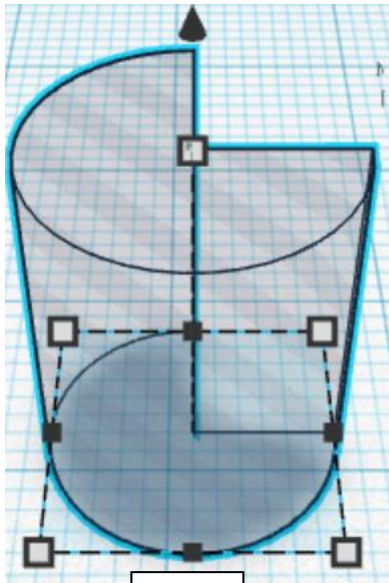
Change Shape settings to:
Arc from 360 to 270



Change Bend Cutoff to **Hole** by selecting Bend Cutoff and typing "h".



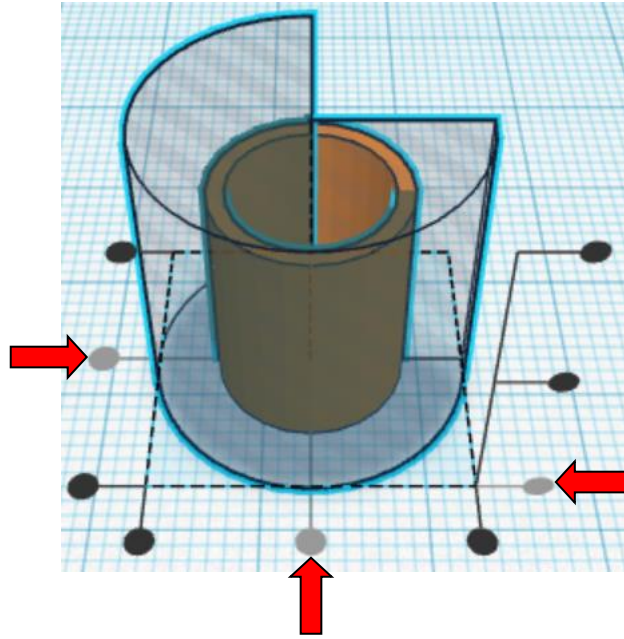
Solid



Hole

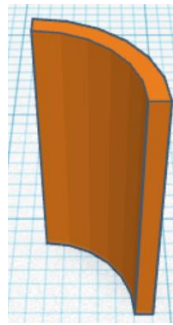
Align Bend 3 and Bend Cutoff

centered in X direction,
centered of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



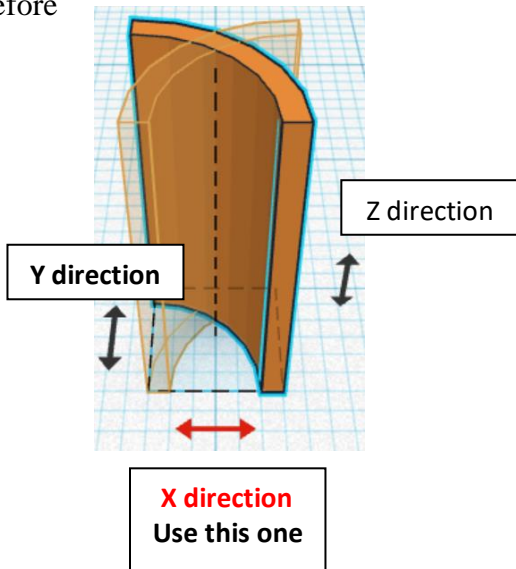
Group Bend 3 and Bend Cutoff

From now on this will be called the **Bend 3**

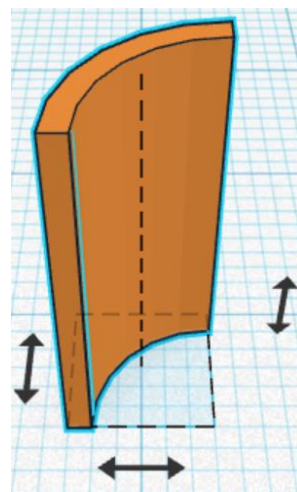


Flip Bend 3 in X direction.

Before

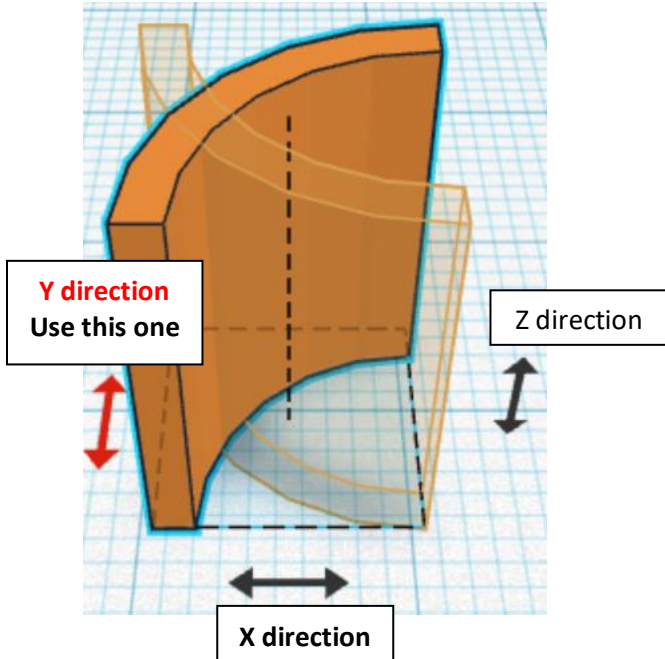


After

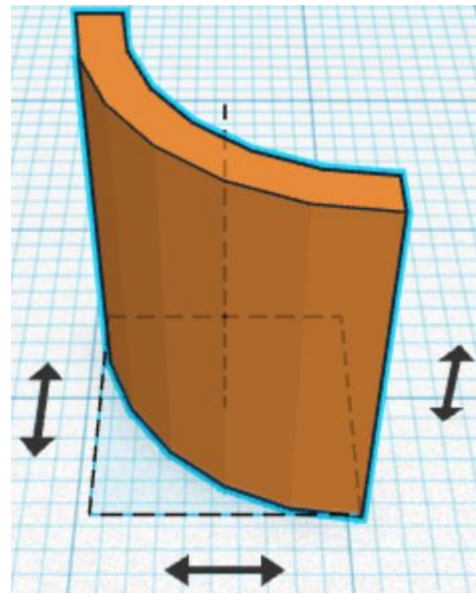


Flip Bend 3 in Y direction.

Before

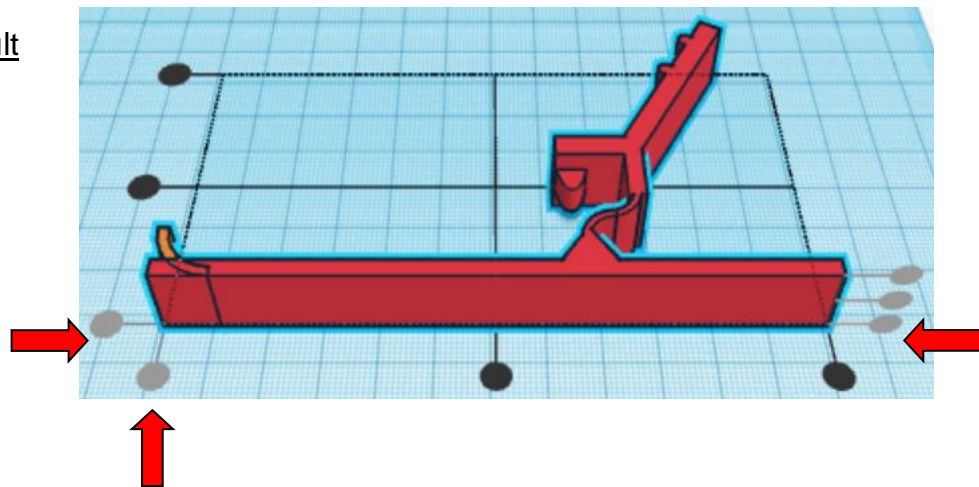


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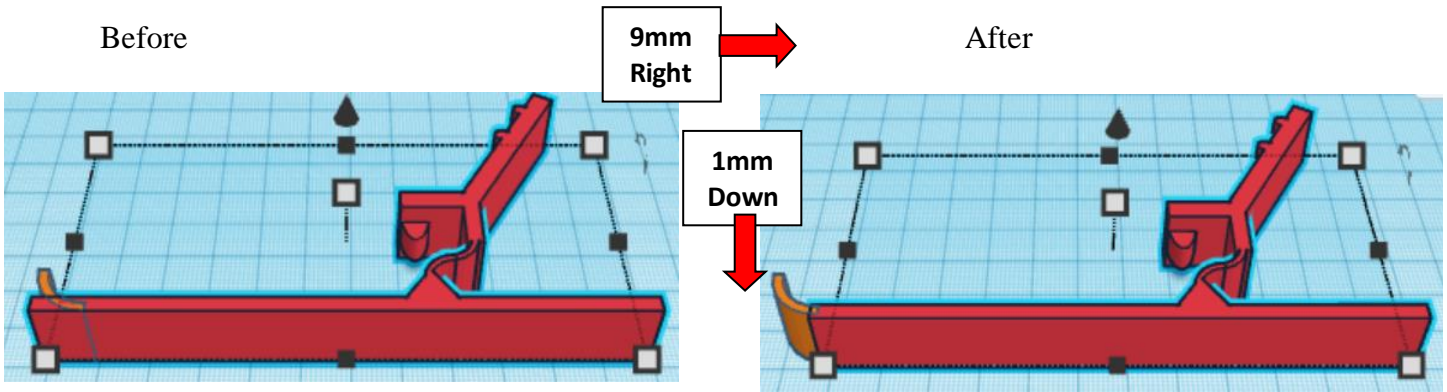
Align Bend 3 and Catapult

left in X direction,
front of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.

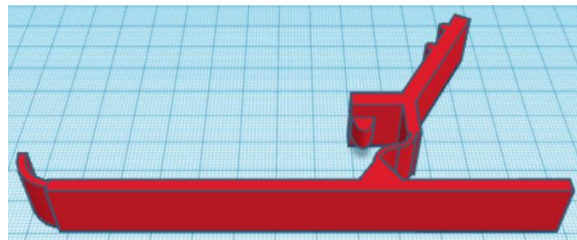


Move Catapult (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move right in positive X direction 9mm
and
move down in negative Y direction 1mm

Hint: Select Catapult and push right arrow key 9 times.
And
Select Catapult and push down arrow key 1 time.



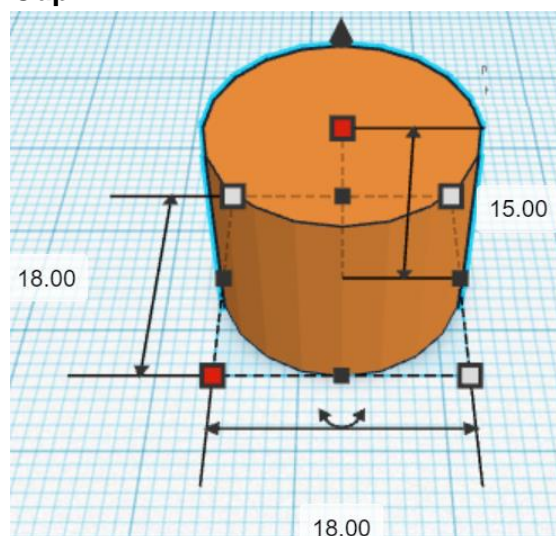
Group Bend 3 and Catapult
From now on this will be called the **Catapult**



Launcher:

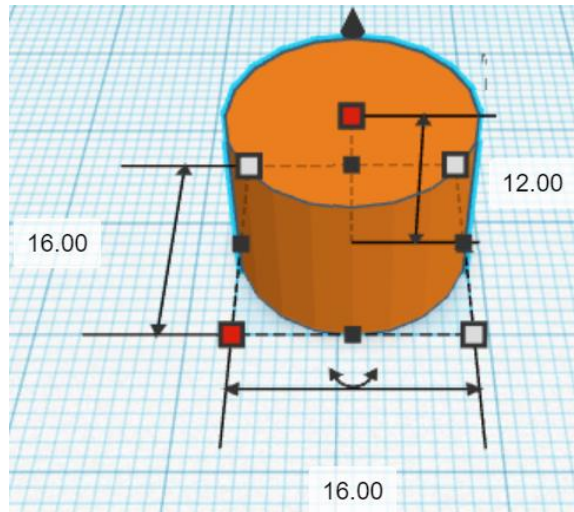
Bring in a Cylinder, located in Basic Shapes on the left 2 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Cup**.

Change the dimensions to
18mm X direction,
18mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.

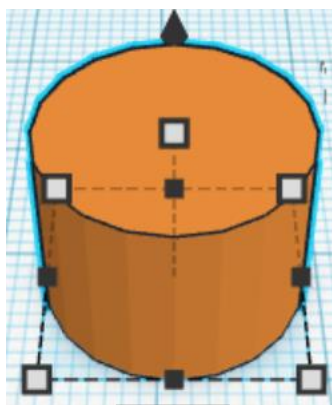


Bring in a Cylinder, located in Basic Shapes on the left 2 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Cup Cutoff**.

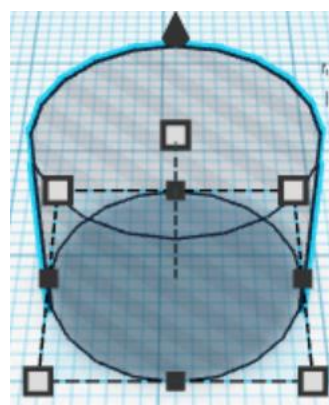
Change the dimensions to
16mm X direction,
16mm Y direction, and
12mm Z direction.



Change Cup Cutoff to **Hole** by selecting Cup Cutoff and typing "h".



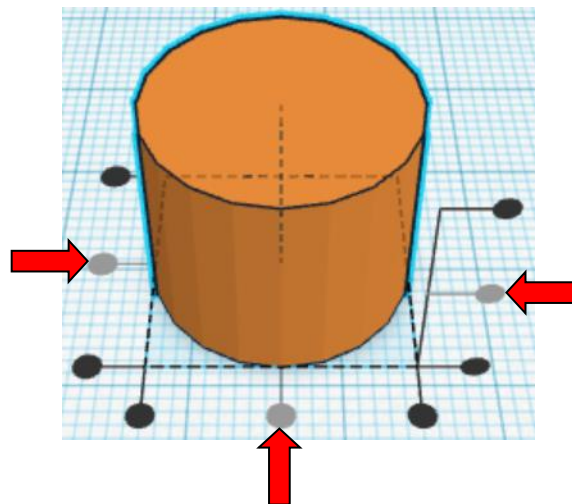
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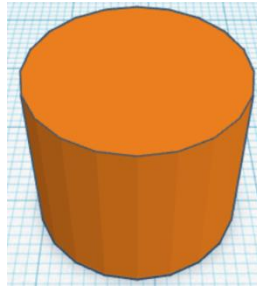
Hole

Align Cup and Cup Cutoff

centered in X direction,
centered of Y direction, and
centered of Z direction.

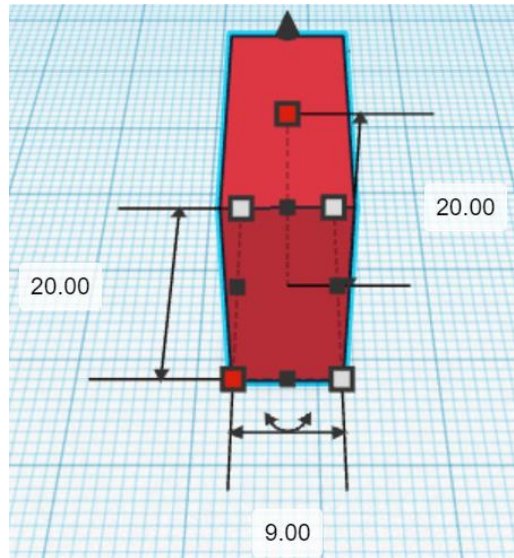


Group Cup and Cup Cutoff
From now on this will be called the **Cup**

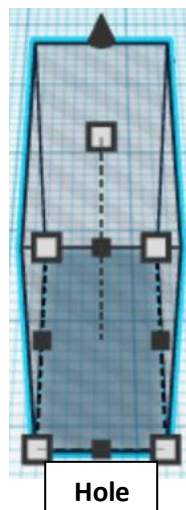
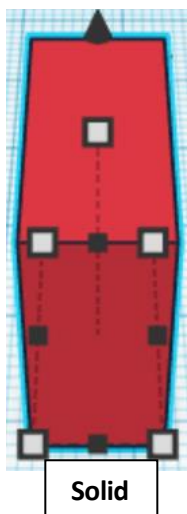


Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Cup Top Cutoff**.

Change the dimensions to
9mm X direction,
20mm Y direction, and
20mm Z direction.

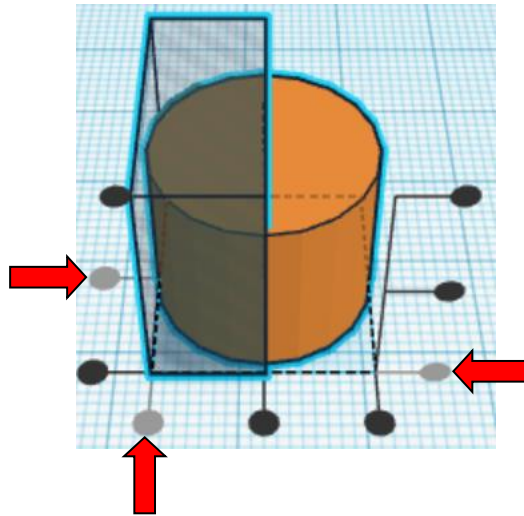


Change Cup Top Cutoff to Hole by selecting Cup Top Cutoff and typing "h".

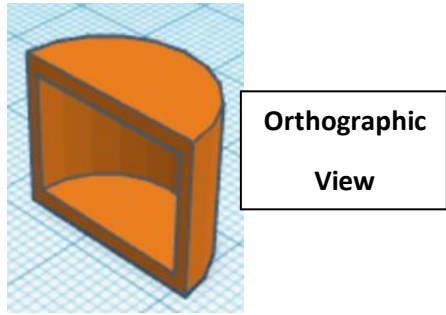


Align Cup and Cup Top Cutoff

left in X direction,
centered of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.

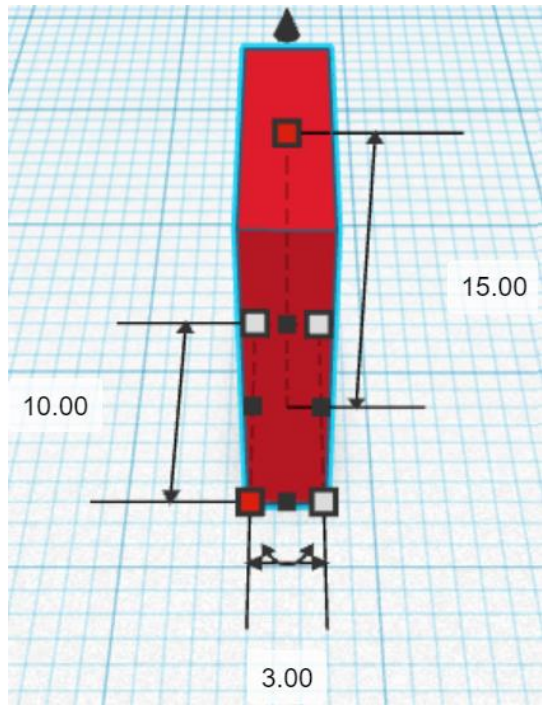


Group Cup and Cup Top Cutoff
From now on this will be called the **Cup**



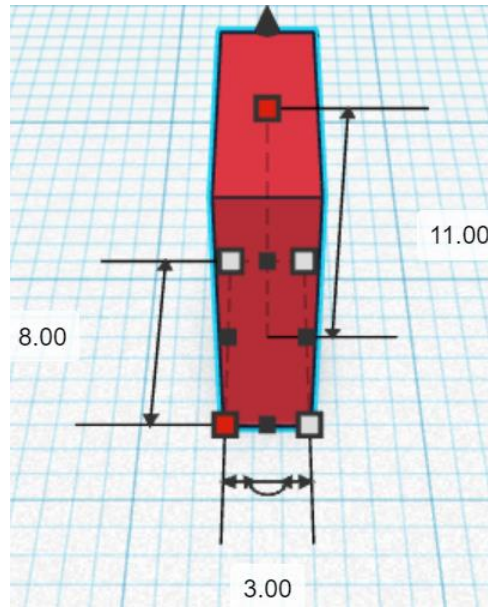
Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Pin Catch**.

Change the dimensions to
3mm X direction,
10mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.

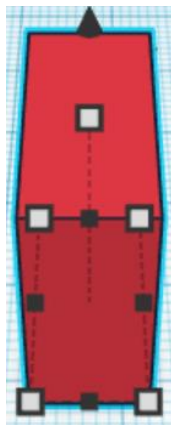


Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Pin Catch Cutout**.

Change the dimensions to
3mm X direction,
8mm Y direction, and
11mm Z direction.



Change Pin Catch Cutoff to **Hole** by selecting Pin Catch Cutoff and typing “h”.



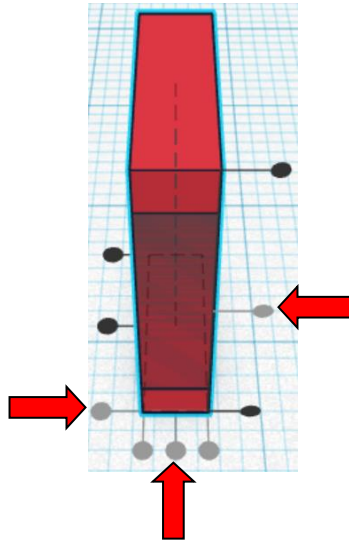
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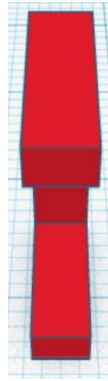
Hole

Align Pin Catch and Pin Catch Cutoff

centered in X direction,
front of Y direction, and
centered of Z direction.

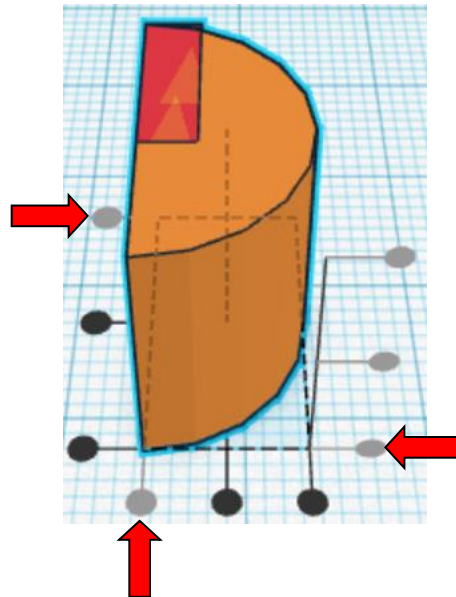


Group Pin Catch and Pin Catch Cutoff
From now on this will be called the **Pin Catch**



Align Pin Catch and Cup

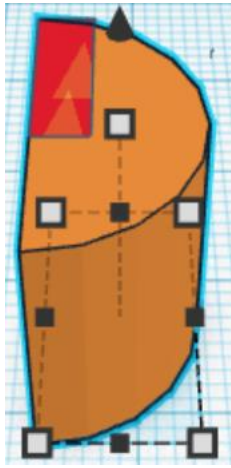
left in X direction,
back of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.




Move Cup (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move down in negative Y direction 9mm

Hint: Select Cup and push down arrow key 9 times.

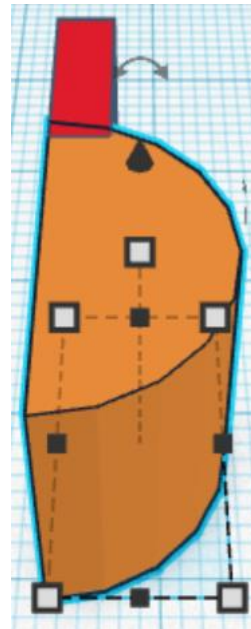
Before



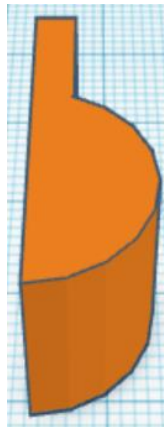
9mm
Down



After

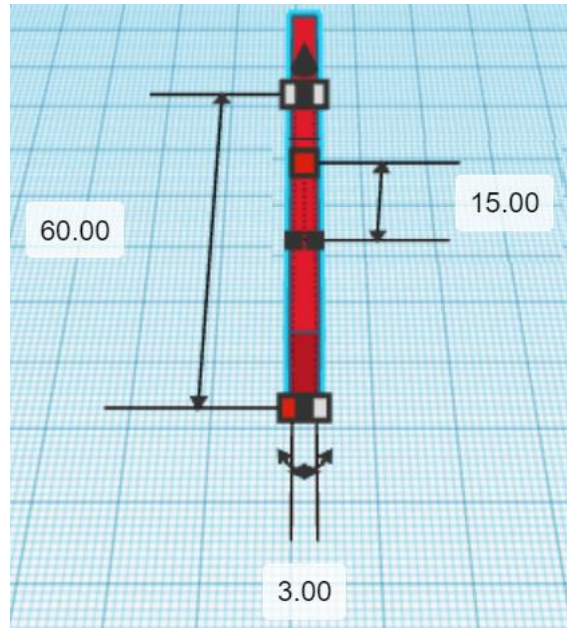


Group Pin Catch and Cup
From now on this will be called the **Cup**



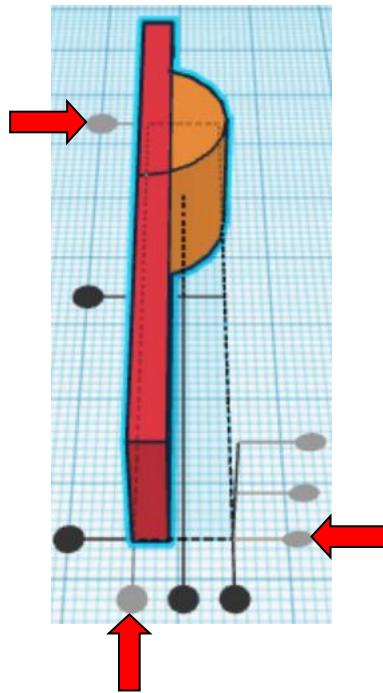
Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Cup Arm**.

Change the dimensions to
3mm X direction,
60mm Y direction, and
15mm Z direction.



Align Cup and Cup Arm

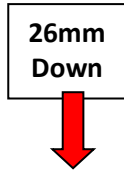
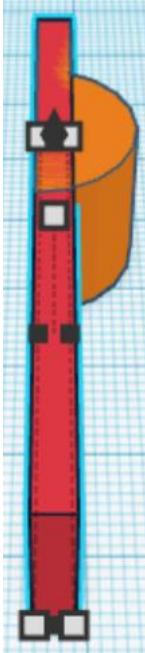
left in X direction,
back of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



Move Cup Arm (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move down in negative Y direction 26mm

Hint: Select Cup Arm and push down arrow key 26 times.
Or
Select Cup Arm and hold shift and push down arrow key 2 times.
Then release shift and push down arrow key 6 more times.

Before



After

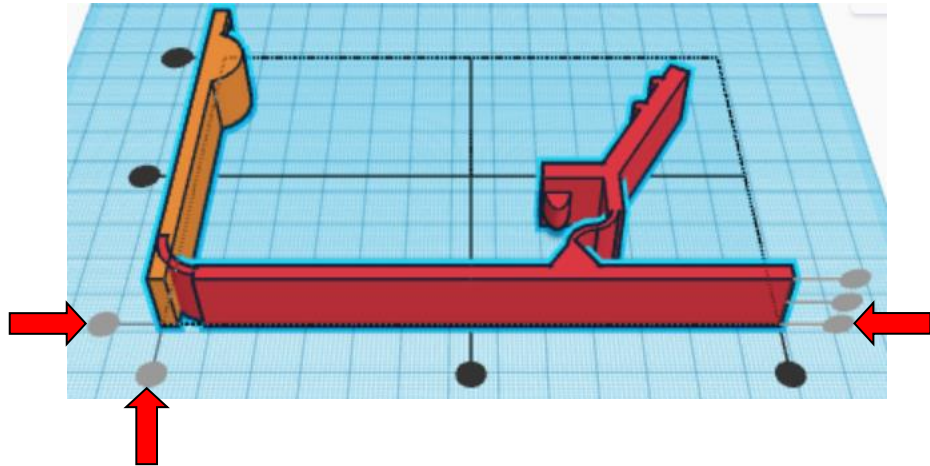


Group Cup and Cup Arm
From now on this will be called the **Cup**



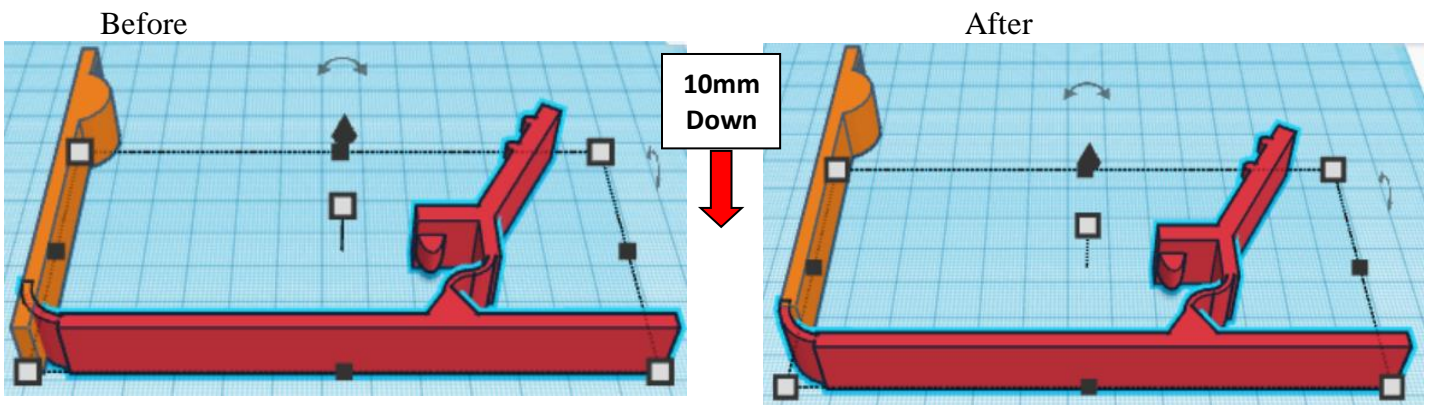
Align Cup and Catapult

left in X direction,
front of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.

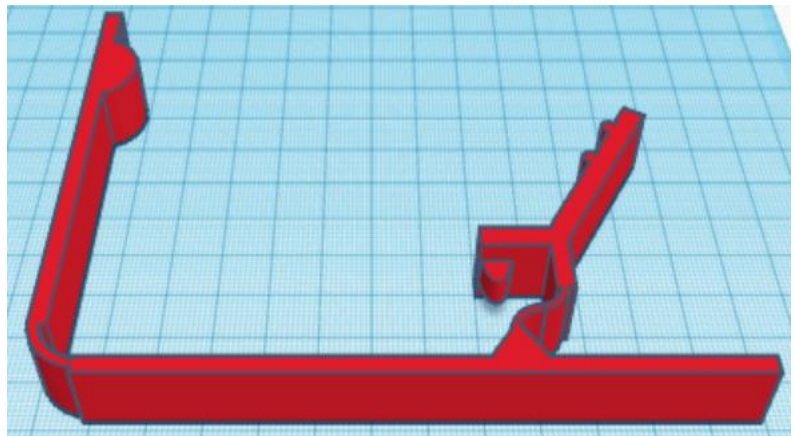


Move Catapult (Must be in home view for this to work!)
move down in negative Y direction 10mm

Hint: Select Catapult and push down arrow key 10 times.
Or
Select Catapult and hold shift and push down arrow key 1 time.



Group Cup and Catapult
From now on this will be called the **Catapult**



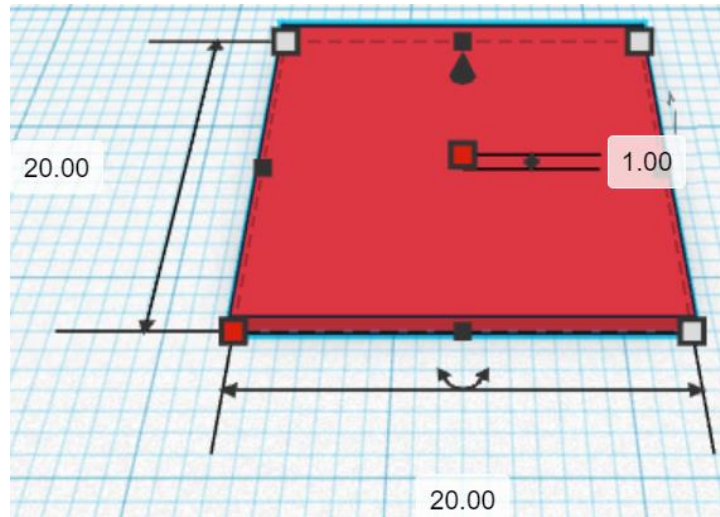
Set on Workplane:

Select the Catapult and type "d" to set the body on the work plane.

Balls:

Bring in a Box, located in Basic Shapes on the right 1 shape down.
From now on this will be called the **Ball Cutout**.

Change the dimensions to
20mm X direction,
20mm Y direction, and
1mm Z direction.



Duplicate Ball Cutout (1) time

From now on this Duplicate will be called the **Ball Cutout Top**

Move Ball Cutout Top (Must be in home view for this to work!)

move up in positive Z direction 11mm

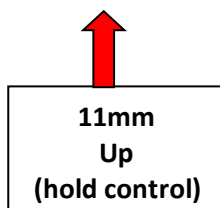
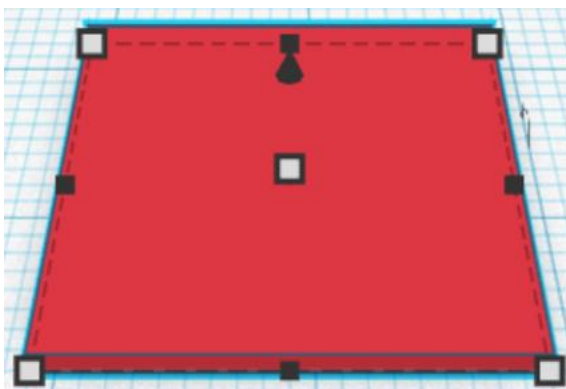
Hint: Select Ball Cutout Top and hold control and push up arrow key 11 times.

Or

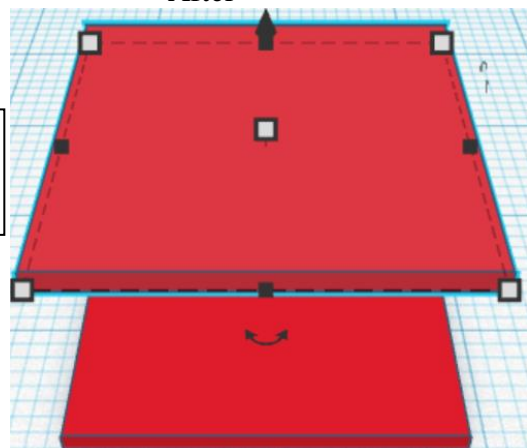
Select Ball Cutout Top and hold control and hold shift and push up arrow key 1 time.

Then release shift and push up arrow key 1 more time.

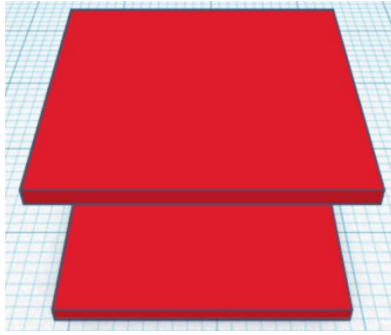
Before



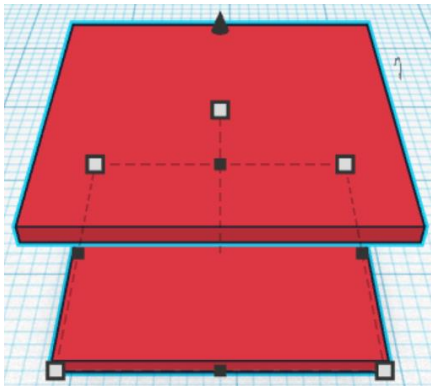
After



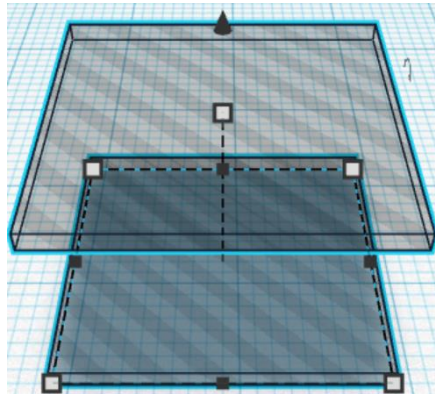
Group Ball Cutout and Ball Cutout Top
From now on this will be called the **Ball Cutout**



Change Ball Cutoff to **Hole** by selecting Ball Cutoff and typing "h".



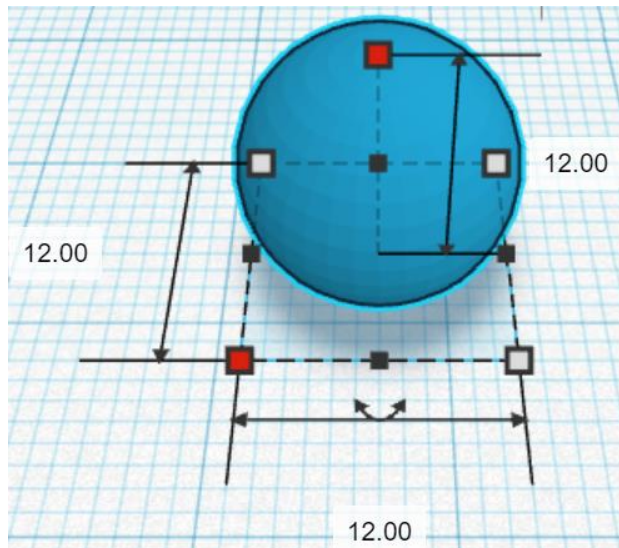
Solid



Hole

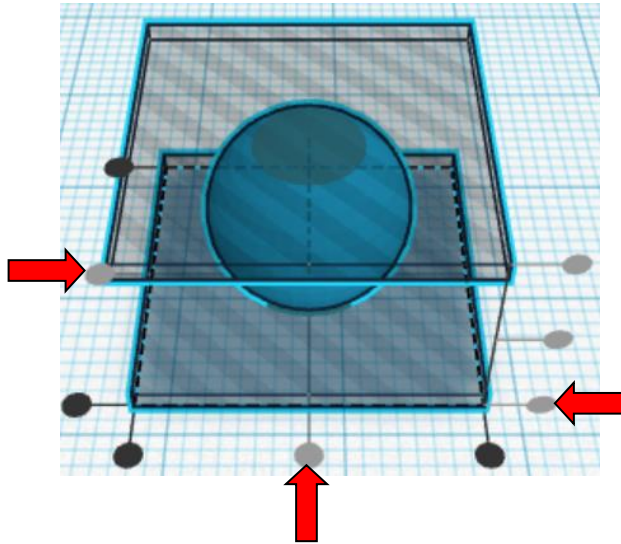
Bring in a Sphere, located in Basic Shapes in the center 2 shapes down.
From now on this will be called the **Ball**.

Change the dimensions to
12mm X direction,
12mm Y direction, and
12mm Z direction.



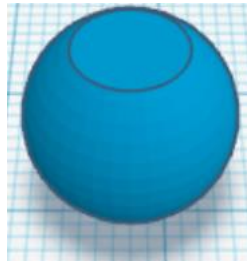
Align Ball and Ball Cutout

centered in X direction,
centered of Y direction, and
bottom of Z direction.



Group Ball and Ball Cutout

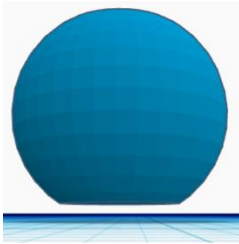
From now on this will be called the **Ball**



Set on Workplane:

Select the Ball and type "d" to set the body on the work plane.

Before



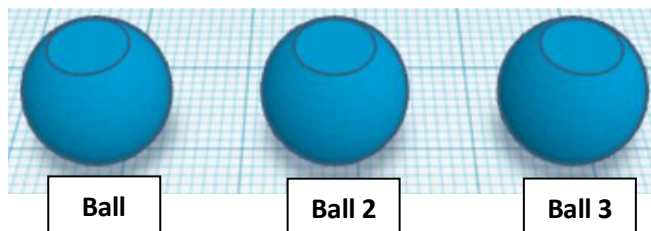
After



Duplicate Ball (2) times

Move Duplicates to the side

From now on this Duplicate will be called the **Ball 2** and **Ball 3**



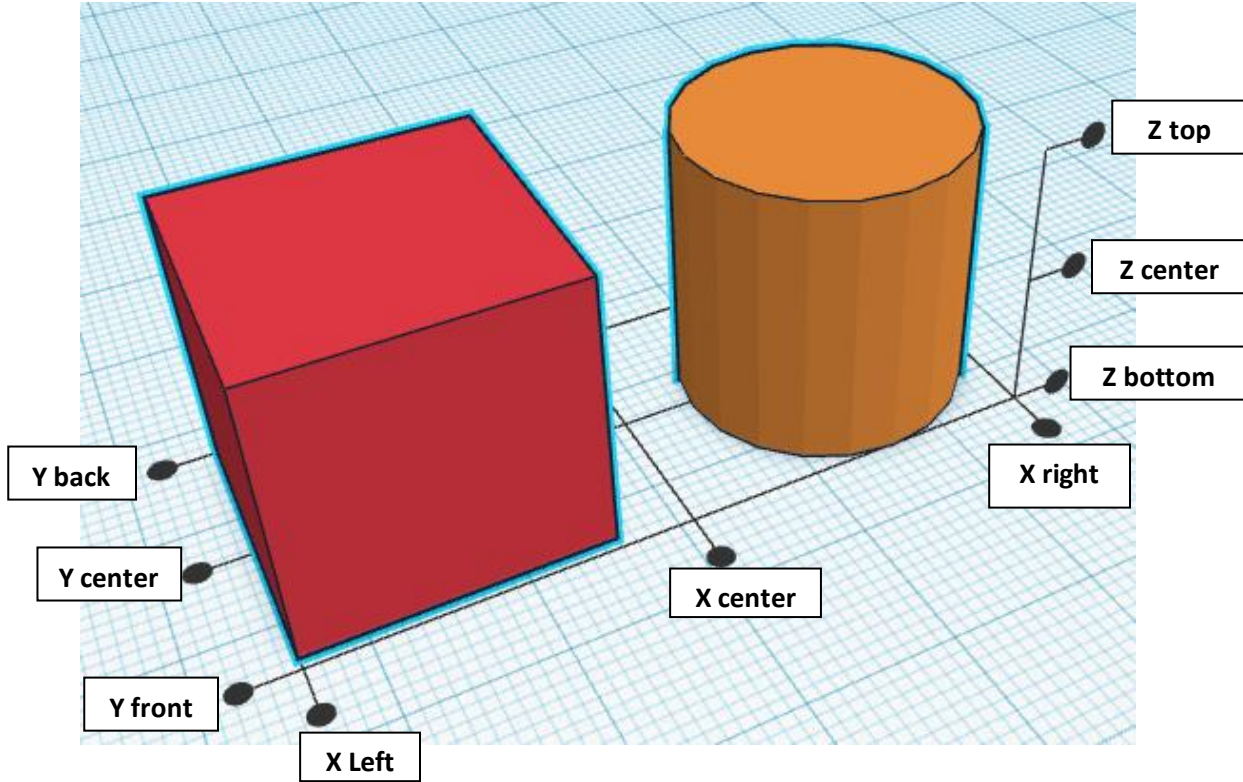
You are done, print and enjoy!

Reference to Aligning, Flip direction, Move direction, and Rotate direction.

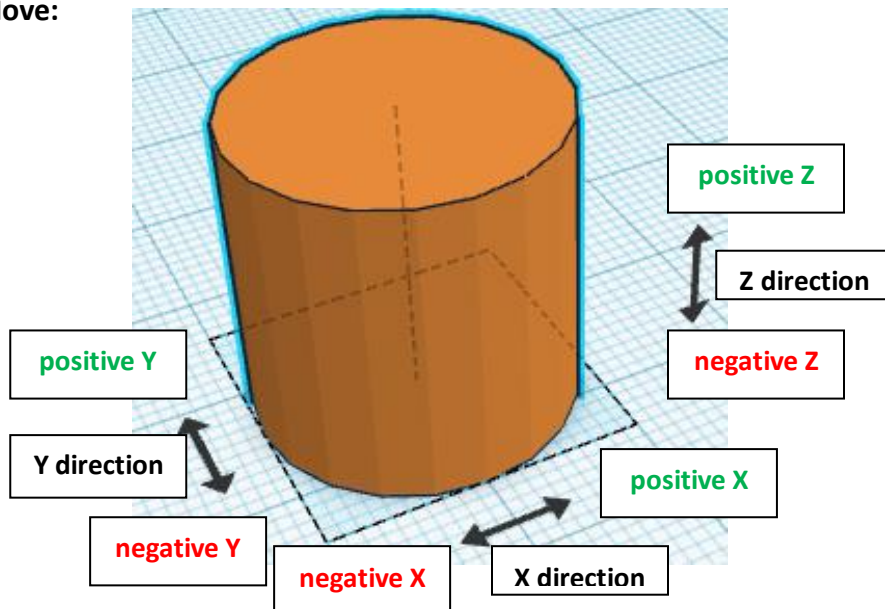
Always be in the "home view" when doing any of these!!!



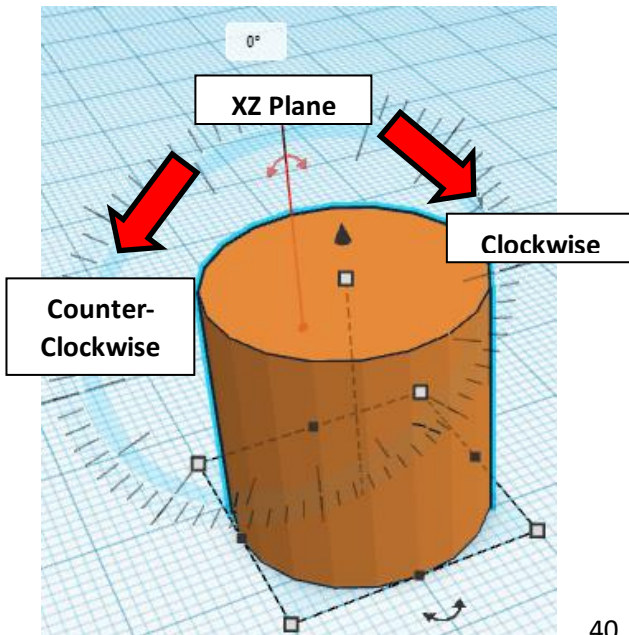
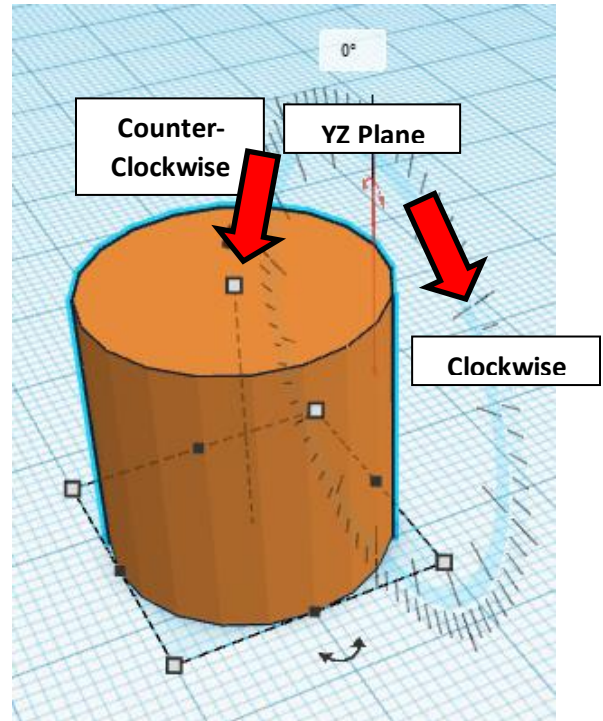
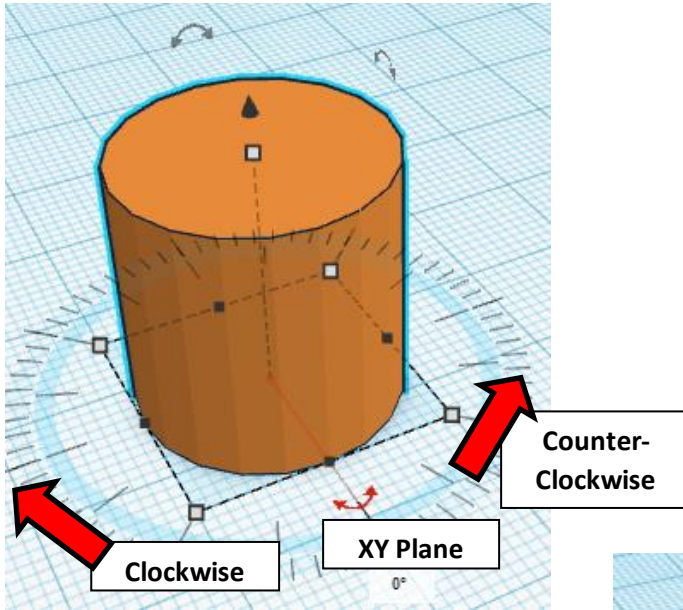
Aligning:



Flip or Mirror and Move:



Rotate:



Tool Guide

Most used Keyboard Shortcuts:

Transparency toggle	T	Duplicate object(s) in place.	Ctrl + D
Turn object(s) into Holes	H	Delete object(s)	Del
Turn object(s) into Solids	S	Undo action(s)	Ctrl + Z
Align object(s)	L	Zoom the view in or out	Mouse scroll wheel
Flip/Mirror objects(s)	M	Zoom-in	+
Drop object(s) to workplane	D	Zoom-out	-
		Fit selected object(s) into view	F

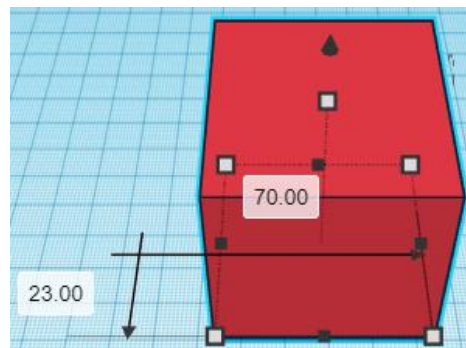
Moving Object(s):

To move object(s) with mouse:

In XY Plane
(left/right and forward/ backward)

Click and hold left mouse button on object.

Move mouse to desired location.

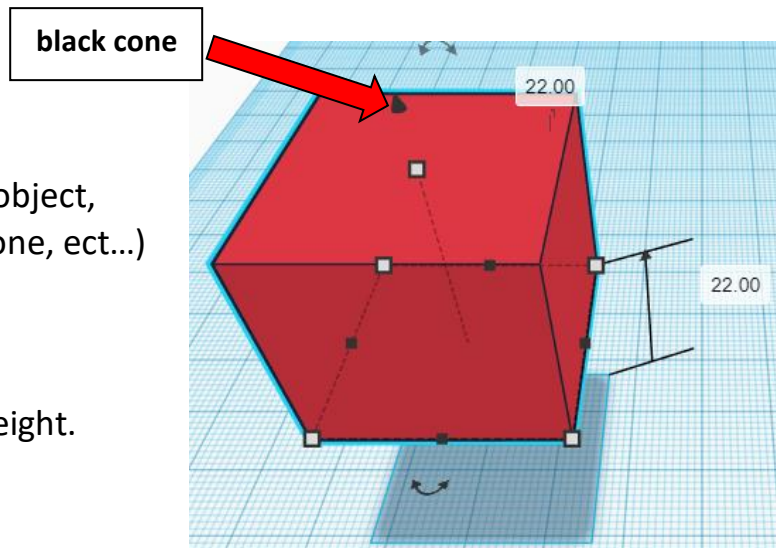


Moving Object(s) continued:

In Z direction (up/down)

Select object with left mouse button.
Notice that several shapes appear on object,
(white squares, black squares, black cone, ect...)

Click and hold left mouse button
on the black cone at top of object.
Move mouse up or down to desired height.



To move object(s) with keyboard:

In XY Plane (left/right and forward/ backward)

Select object with left mouse button.

Use arrow keys to move the object in 1mm increments.



In XY Plane (fast) (left/right and forward/ backward)

Select object with left mouse button.

Hold shift key
and use arrow keys to move the object in 10mm increments.



Moving Object(s) continued:

In Z direction (up/down)

Select object with left mouse button.



Hold control button
and use up and down arrow keys to move the object in 1mm increments.

In Z direction (fast) (up/down)

Select object with left mouse button.

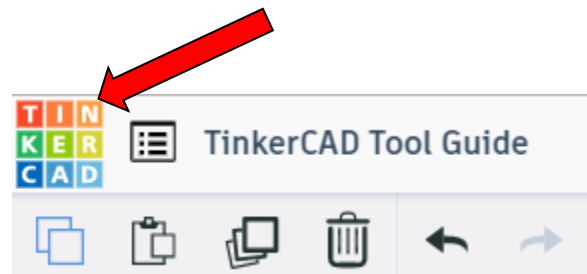


Hold control button and hold shift button
and use up and down arrow keys to move the object in 10mm increments.

Using on screen icons:

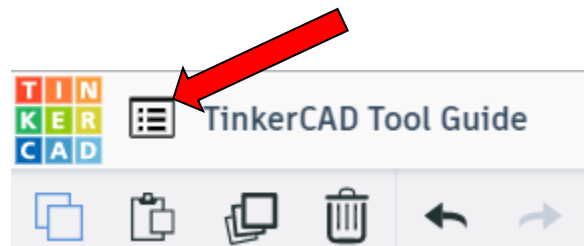
TinkerCAD main screen:

(I know this doesn't look
like an icon button, but it is)



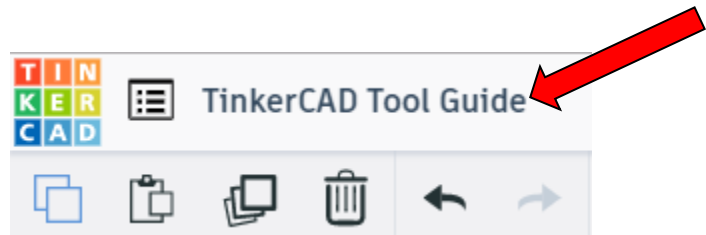
My designs:

Pulls up menu of your designs.



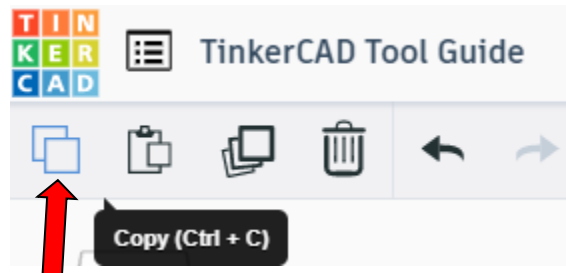
Design name:

TinkerCAD automatically names your design a random name.
Click here to change your design name.



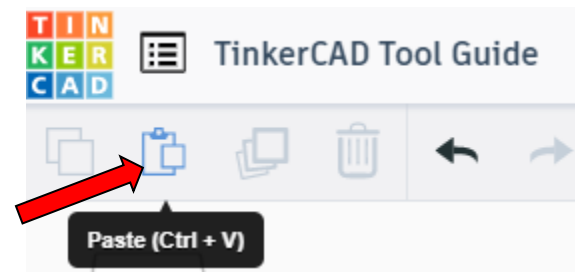
Copy:

Select shape.
Click copy or use ctrl + c
Paste to copy or go into new design and paste to copy.



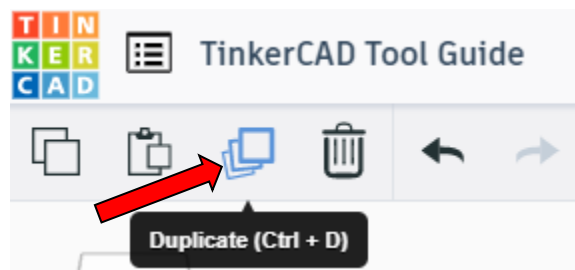
Paste:

After using copy,
click paste or use ctrl + v to paste.



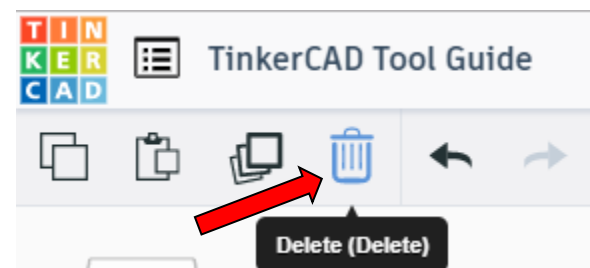
Duplicate:

Similar to copy, but can't copy to other designs.
Select shape.
Click duplicate or use ctrl + d
It will appear as if nothing happened, but if you move the shape you will see then duplicate underneath.



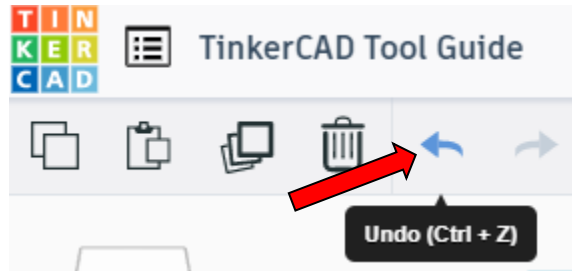
Delete:

Select shape.
Click delete or delete key.



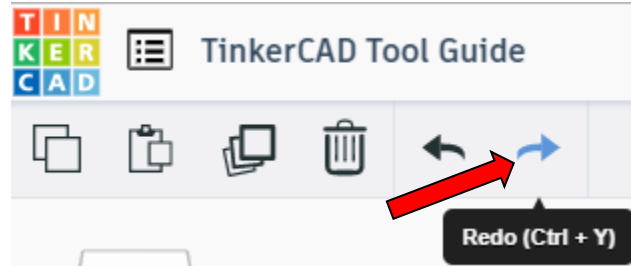
Undo:

Click undo or use ctrl + z
This will undo your last command.
This can be repeated.



Redo:

Click redo or use ctrl + y
This will redo your last undo command,
can only be used after using the
undo command.



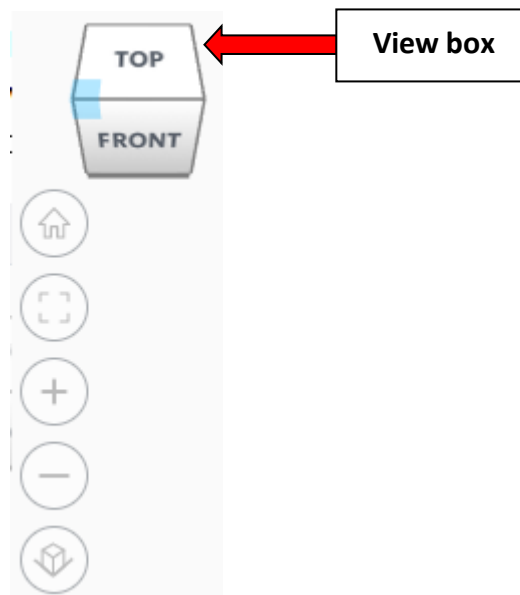
Change View:

To change view with mouse:

Right click and hold anywhere in work area. While holding right mouse button move mouse.
This will change the view of the work area.

To change view with icons:

Left click on view box.
Where you click determines
the view shown.

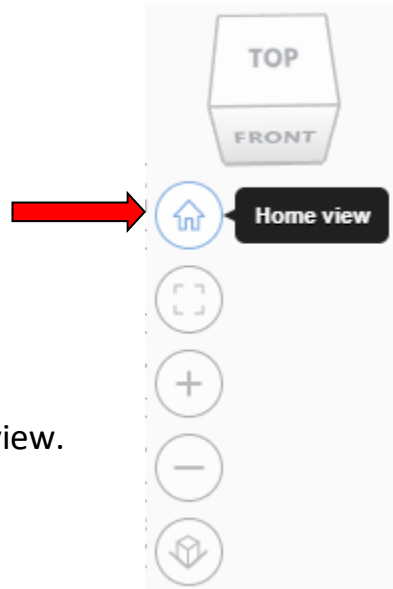


Change view to home view:

Most TinkerCAD Tutorials only work while in home view.

Click on home view icon to go to the home view.

You can also use the view box between the top and front view to change to the home view.



Fit all in view:

If you lose an object off the screen, you can click on Fit all in view to un-zoom to see all objects.

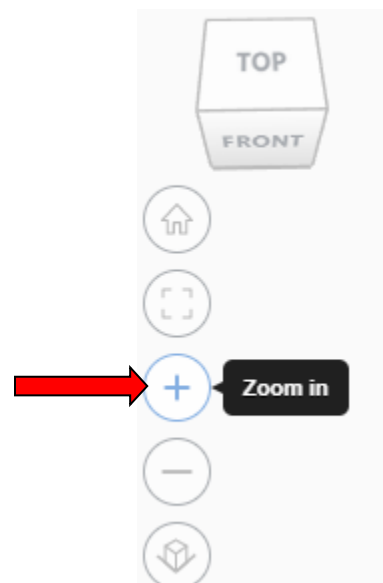
Fit one or more object(s) in view:

If you want to only see one or more object(s) in the view then select the object(s) and click Fit all in view or click the “f” key. This will zoom in on the object(s).



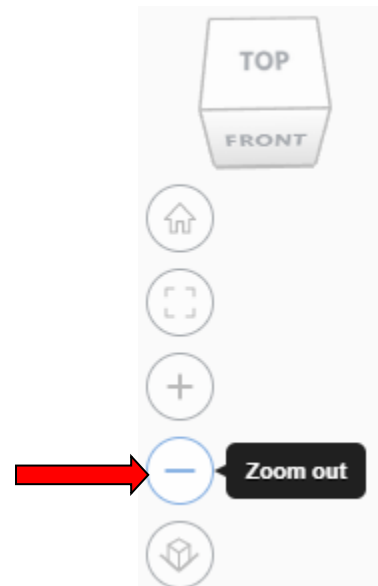
Zoom in:

Click the Zoom in icon or click the “+” key to zoom in.



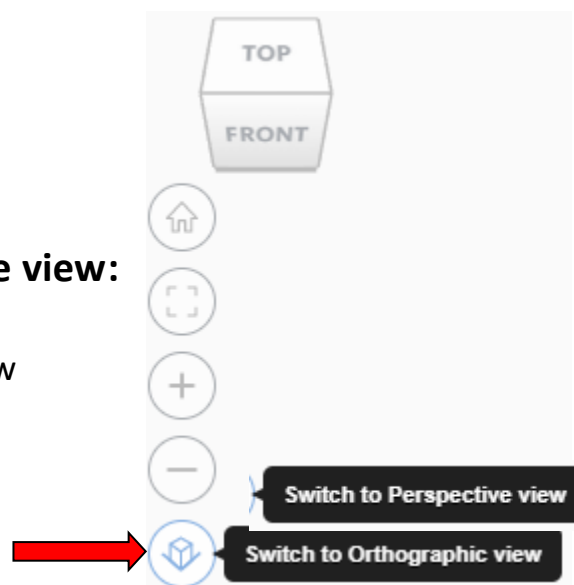
Zoom out:

Click the Zoom out icon or click the “-” key to zoom out.



Switching to orthographic and perspective view:

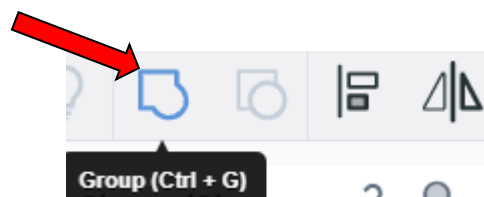
Click the Switch to orthographic/perspective view
To change to your preferred view.



Group:

To combine two or more objects into one object.

Select the objects to combine and click the
Group button or click ctrl + G



Ungroup:

After group objects, this will ungroup the object
back to separate objects.

Select the objects to ungroup and click the
ungroup button or click ctrl + shift + G



Align:

To perfectly center objects to each other or
To line up objects along their edges then use align.

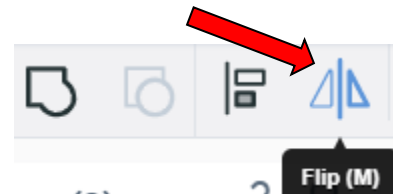
Select the objects to align and click the
align button or click "L"



Flip (Mirror):

This is mainly used for symmetric builds,
you create one half, duplicate it, then flip it
and move it in place and group it.





Select the objects to flip and click the
flip button or click "M"



Full list of Keyboard Shortcuts

MOVING OBJECT(S)

(Using keyboard)

Move along X/Y axis  /  /  / 


Move along Z axis  +  / 

×10 Nudge along X/Y axis  +  /  /  / 


×10 Nudge along Z axis  +  +  / 

KEYBOARD + MOUSE SHORTCUTS

(Press and hold the keys, then click and drag the mouse)

Duplicate dragged object(s)  + Drag left mouse button

Select multiple object(s)  + Left mouse button



45° rotation  (Hold while rotating)

Scale in one direction  + Hold side handle

Scale in two directions  + Hold corner handle

Uniform scale  + Hold corner handle

Uniform scale in all directions  +  + Corner handle

Uniform scale in all directions  +  + Top handle

VIEWING DESIGNS

(With the help of a mouse or a mouse pad)

Orbit the view Right mouse button


Orbit the view  + Left mouse button


Pan the view  + Right mouse button

Pan the view  +  + left button

Zoom the view in or out Mouse scroll wheel

Zoom-in 


Zoom-out 



Fit selected object(s) into view 


OBJECT SETTINGS

Transparency toggle 

Turn object(s) into **Holes** 


Turn object(s) into **Solids** 

Lock or **Unlock** object(s)  + 



Hide object(s)  + 

Show all hidden object(s)  +  + 


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Copy object(s)  + 



Paste object(s)  + 

Duplicate object(s) in place.  + 




Delete object(s) 


Undo action(s)  + 


Redo action(s)  + 


Redo action(s)  +  + 


Group object(s)  + 

Un-group object(s)  +  + 

Align object(s) 

Flip/Mirror object(s) 

Select all object(s)  + 

Place a **Ruler**  ( toggle midpoint/center)

Place a **Workplane**  (press  to flip direction)

Drop object(s) to workplane 