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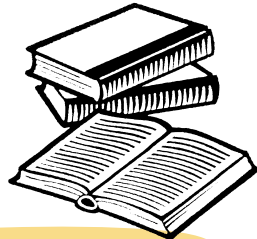
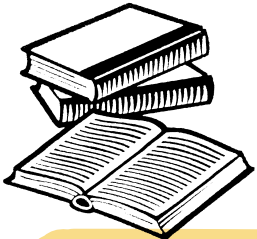
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FINISHED SIZE - 18" X 18"  
ENVELOPE BACK CLOSURE

## MATERIALS

- 18" pillow insert
- 1 yd Background Fabric
- 5/8 yd Pocket Fabric
- FQ or 1/4 yd Pocket Binding & Handle
- *OPTIONAL* - Batting or Interfacing Scrap measuring 4"x14"

## CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Background Fabric:
  - (1) 19" x 19" (pillow front)
  - (2) 13"h x 19"w (back panels)
- Pocket Fabric:
  - (2) 10.5"h x 19"w
- Pocket Binding & Handle
  - (1) 2 1/4"h x 19"w
  - (1) 4"h x 14"w

## SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

### Make Handle:

*(If using optional batting or interfacing, fuse to the handle material, following manufacturer's instructions)*

1. With wrong side facing up, fold (1) strip long sides together and press. Open and then fold each long edge to the center crease and press. Refold on center fold line. Topstitch using a 1/8" SA and long stitch length. Handle measures 1" x 14". Set aside.

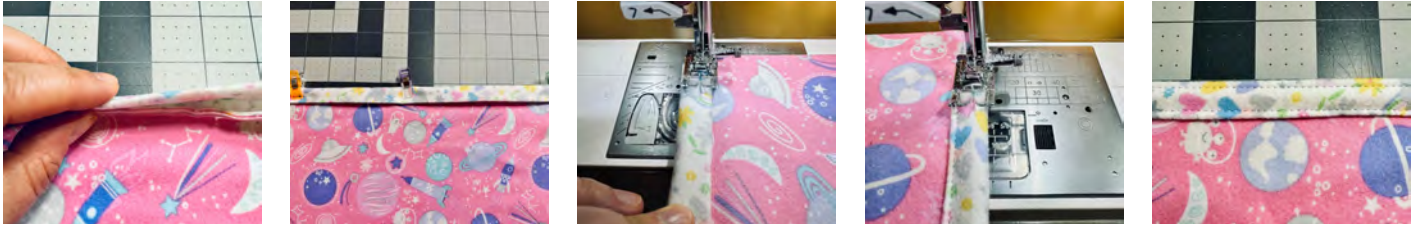


### Assemble Pocket:

1. Take pocket binding, lay wrong side up, and fold in 1/2 long sides together and press.
2. Lay pocket pieces wrong sides together. Lay folded pocket binding along backside of one 19" edge of pocket fabric, and pin or clip. Sew all layers together with 1/4" SA.

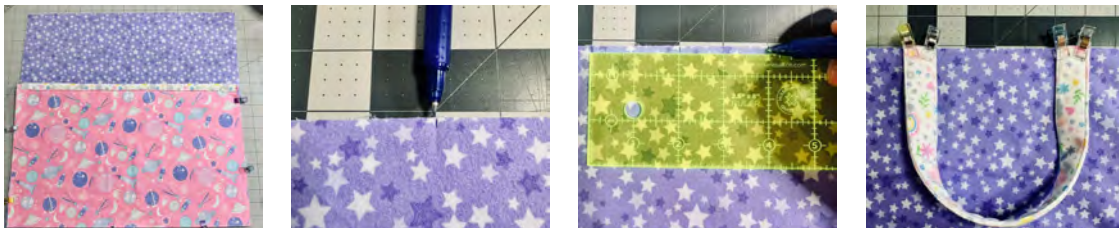


3. Fold over pocket binding to front side, pin/clip. Sew pocket binding edge that touches pocket fabric at a 1/8" SA, with a long stitch length. Then, topstitch top of pocket binding at 1/8" SA, with long stitch length.



#### Assemble Pillow Front:

1. Take 19"x19" background fabric, lay right side up. Place finished pocket right side up on top of background fabric, lining up the bottom and side edges. Baste all 3 sides of pocket to pillow front.
2. Fold front panel in half along 19" top edge, marking center point. Measure 2" on each side of center point, and place finished handle at each of those marks. There should be a total of 4" between handle edges. Baste in place.



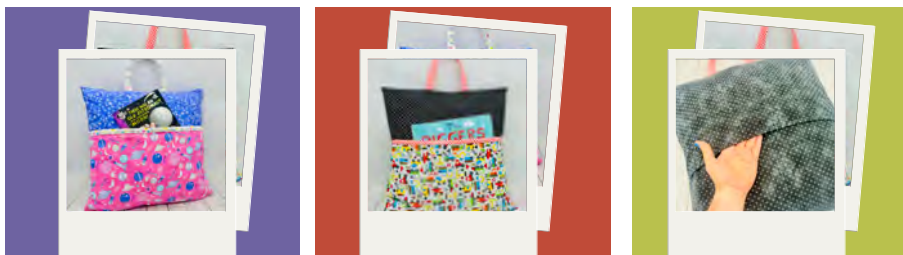
#### Assemble Pillow Back:

1. Take one back panel, lay wrong side up. Fold one 19" side wrong sides together 3/8", then fold again 3/8". Topstitch finished edge. Repeat for remaining back panel.



#### Assemble Pillow:

1. Lay one backside panel, RST, with front panel, making sure folded topstitched edge of back panel is in center and raw edge meets top 19" edge of front panel. Lay other back panel, right sides together on top of other back panel, with finished topstitch edge in center and raw edge lining up with 19" raw edge of pillow front. Make sure handle is tucked in. Pin/Clip.
2. Sew at 1/2" SA. Trim corners to cut down on bulk, taking care not to cut through SA. Turn pillow out, gently poke out corners and insert pillow form.



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