

KID'S
take-along
TOTE
zero-boredom guaranteed



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This bag is perfect for those trips when your little one needs something to do in the car, the doctor's office, at your in-law's house or just because. It can hold a few coloring books, stickers, misc. paper and of course their favorite coloring tool - crayons, colored pencils or markers.

Read through all instructions before beginning.

Materials list:

- 1/4 yd. accent fabric (for outside top & pockets)
- 1/8 yd. sturdy fabric (for outside & straps, ie: linen, canvas or denim)
- 1/4 yd. lining fabric (for lining)
- All-purpose thread to match fabric
- Water-soluble fabric-marking pen
- Optional: Decorative trim (ie: ric-rac or ribbon)

1. Layout and Cutting - Wash, dry and iron all fabrics. Place on flat surface and fold enough of each fabric, with right sides together and cut the following:

- 4 - 12"x6" pieces from accent fabric (for outside top & pockets, 2 each)
- 2 - 12"x9" pieces from sturdy fabric (for bottom 1/2 of tote)
- 2 - 11"x3" pieces from sturdy fabric (for straps)
- 2 - 14"x12" pieces from lining fabric (for lining)

2. Finish Pockets - Turn and press the top & bottom edges of both pockets 1/4" to wrong side. Then turn the top edge again 1/4" and top stitch. Add any decorative trim to the pockets now. Set pockets aside.

3. Attach Panels and Pockets - Pin the decorative panel and sturdy outside fabric pieces together across the long edge with wrong sides together, matching raw edges. Stitch to create the outside of tote. Repeat for other side. Pin one pocket to outside panel 1-1/2" from bottom of panel, matching side raw edges. Stitch along bottom edge and machine-baste at edges. Repeat for other side.

1 Layout & Cutting

Accent Fabric

Cut 2 Each -
Top of Tote &
Pockets

12"

6"

Sturdy Fabric

Cut 2 -
Bottom 1/2 of Tote

12"

9"

Sturdy Fabric

Cut 2 - Straps

12"

3"

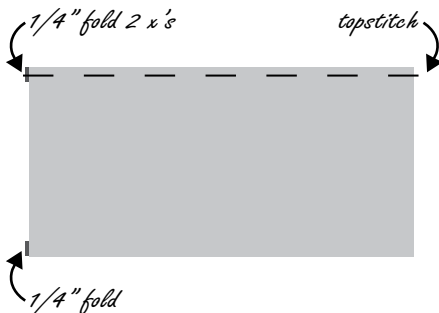
Lining Fabric

Cut 2 -
Lining

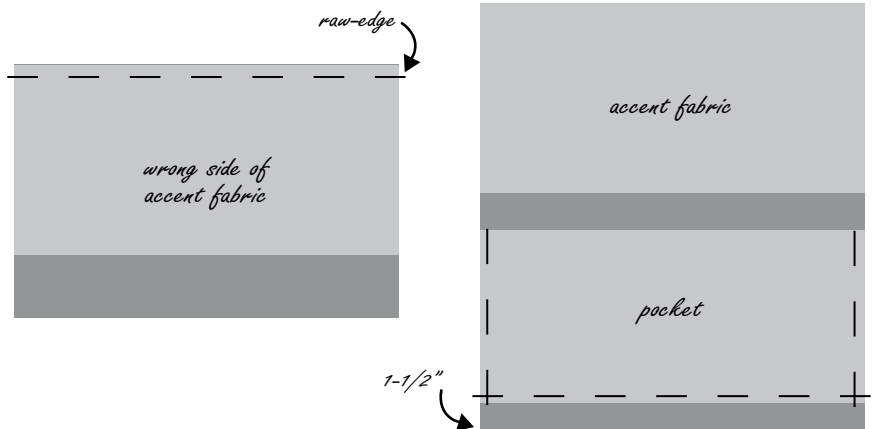
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2 Finish Pockets



3 Attach Panels & Pockets



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4. Divide Pockets - Pocket no.1 - measure and mark with water-soluble pen, 4" from left edge and 4" from right edge at the top and bottom of pocket. Stitch from the top edge of pocket to the bottom edge at markings to create divides. Pocket no.2 - measure the writing tools that will be used in the pockets. For basic crayons, you will need to allow 3/4" for each pocket. Measure and mark across the width of the pocket and stitch down from the top to the bottom to create the divides.

5. Create & Attach Handles - Fold the handle fabric in 1/4" at each long edge toward the wrong sides and iron in place. Fold the "folded" edges so they meet, iron in place. Pin edges and stitch both long edges. Find center of tote & measure 1-1/2" to the left & right and mark. Place raw edges of strap at the marks and pin, matching the raw edges of the strap and tote. Machine-baste both straps to tote.

6. Sew Side Seams & Lining - Pin outside paneled fabric at the sides and bottom, wrong sides together. Stitch sides and bottom. Pin lining fabric at the sides and bottom, wrong sides together. Stitch sides and bottom, leaving a 4" wide opening for turning.

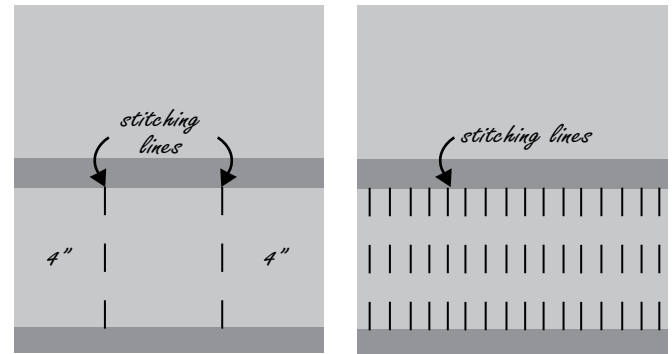
7. Join Tote & Lining - With tote turned right side out and the lining wrong side out, pull the lining over the tote. So the tote is inside the lining. Match raw edges and stitch.

8. Turn & Finish - Turn the tote right side out through the opening in the lining. Stitch the opening closed. Iron the bag and push out the corners with corner turner. Top-stitch 1/4" and 1/2" from top edge of tote.

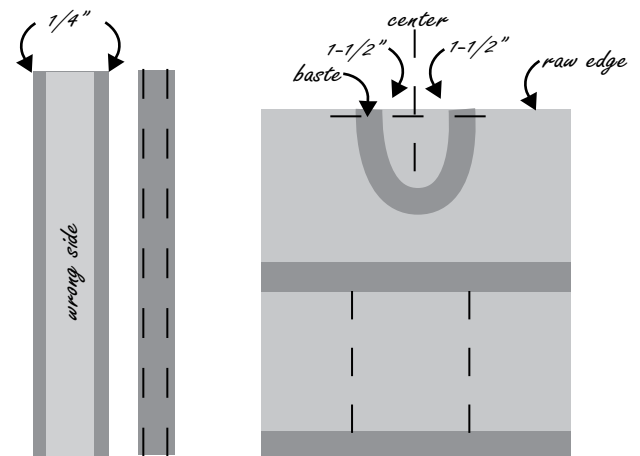
Fill the tote with fun books and crayons & ENJOY!

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4 Divide Pockets



5 Create & Attach Handles



8 Turn & Finish

