Back to School
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General Instructions
1. Please read through all directions before beginning.
2. All seam allowances are ¼" unless otherwise stated.
3. Whereas you are working with small piecing, pre-starching your materials will help to avoid stretching.
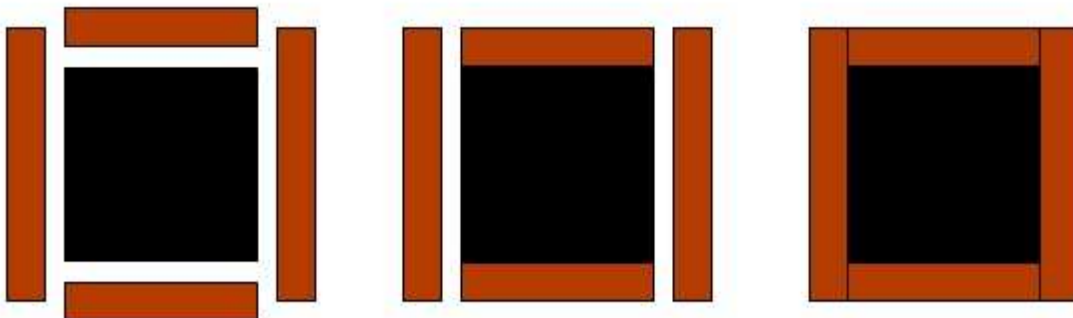
Fabric Requirements:
3 10" x 10" squares
     1 For Background (Black) , 1 for Border (Brown) , and 1 for Applique (White)
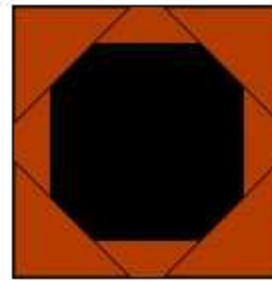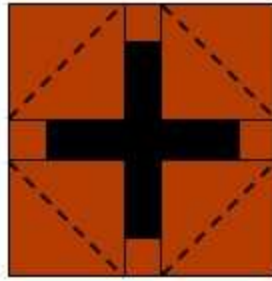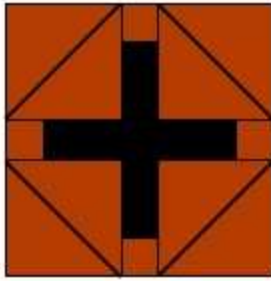
Cutting Instructions
1. From the Background (Black) Layer Cake Square cut
        a. (1) 5 1/2" x 5 1/2" square
2. From the Border (Brown) Layer Cake Square cut:
        a. (4) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" squares
        b. (2) 1" x 6 1/2" rectangles
        c. (2) 1" x 5 1/2" rectangles

Block Assembly
1. Place the Border rectangles around the Background square as shown.
        a. Sew the top and bottom border rectangles to the Background square. Press outwards.
        b. Sew the side border rectangles to the Background square. Press outwards.

2. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the (4) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" Border squares.
        a. Place the marked squares onto corners of the block with right sides together noting direction of line.
        b. Stitch directly on the marked lines. Cut 1/4" away from the seam and press to reveal the triangles.

Adding The Applique

3. Prepare Applique Layer Cake Square with Light Fusible Web following manufactures directions.
   a. Trace templates onto paper side of fusible web. (Templates in reverse) Cut out appliqué.
   b. Layout ABC & 123 appliques onto block center, playing with placement until it is pleasing.
   c. Fuse in Place
   d. Using your favorite appliqué stitch, secure stitch the appliqué to the block.

Applique Templates