

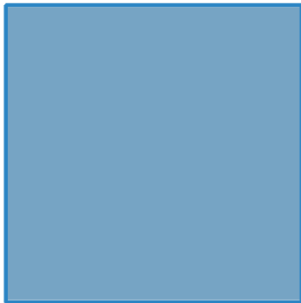
Pickup Sticks Instructions

For one block you will need:

One 10" background fabric

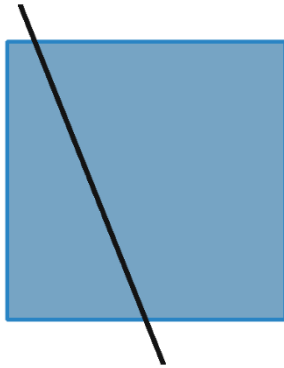
3 – 6 strips of fabric 1" – 3" wide by 13" long

Step 1:



Start with one of the 10" blocks provided at the meeting, or cut a 10" block from a neutral color (white, white on white, grey, or brown).

Step 2:



Lay the background square right side up on the cutting board. Cut the fabric on an angle towards one side of the block, at least 1/2" from the edge of the block.

Note: You do not need to measure the distance from the edge of the block; just make sure it's far enough from the edge to leave room for a seam allowance. Likewise, the angle doesn't matter, just pick an angle that looks appealing to you.



Step 3:



Choose one of your strips of fabric. Take one side of the background fabric and lay it right-sides together with one of your strips of fabric. Line up one edge of your strip with the angled edge of your background fabric, leaving extra fabric at each end of the strip. Sew the strip to the background and press.

Tip: If you have a seam roller, this is a good place to use it.

Step 4:



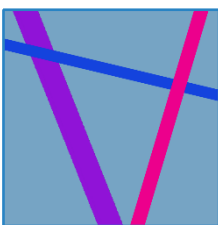
Use your ruler to trim your strip even with the edge of your background fabric.

Step 5:



Place your background fabric right-sides together with the edge of the strip with the corners matching. Sew together and press open.

Step 6:



Repeat for each strip you want to add.