

SCHOOL BAG PATTERN

MATERIALS NEEDED:

1/2 yd “kid-friendly” cotton fabric



MAKE THE BAG:

- Cut two pieces of fabric 13” X 17”
- Place the two pieces together, right sides together, and sew a 1/2” seam down one side, across the bottom, and up the other side, leaving the top open.
- Turn the bag so the seam is in the inside.
- Turn under 1/2” on the top edge and press.
- Turn under 2” at the top edge to form a hem and stitch.

MAKE THE HANDLES:

- Cut two pieces of fabric 4” X 22”
- Fold in half one of the 4” X 22” pieces with right sides together. Stitch with a 1/2” seam allowance and turn inside out.

OR Turn under and press 1/2” on long sides of fabric. Fold wrong sides together. Top stitch close to edge. Press.

- Repeat for the second handle.
- Turn under raw edges and stitch to the top of the bag, placing both ends of one handle on the same side of the bag.

Finished bag will be approximately 12” X 14”.

Lightweight canvas tote bags can also be used. Inexpensive lightweight canvas bags are available at area discount and craft stores, such as Jo-Ann Fabrics, Michaels, and AC Moore. Tote bags can also be purchased online at www.myshopangel.com



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