Gifts for Children
Things to Sew

APPLE
BOY
FLOWER
HORSE
NEST
VIOLIN
B C OW
GIRAFFE
INDIAN
OWL

ELEPHANT
DOLL
JAR
KITTEN
LION
QUEEN

MOUSE
RAIN
SUN

UMBRELLA
TREE
WHISTLE
XYLOPHONE
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Page</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Humpty Dumpty Bean Bag</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cloth Doll</td>
<td>4-5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Doll Clothes</td>
<td>6-7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Child's Babushka</td>
<td>8-9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Child's Shoulder Bag</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sitting Dog</td>
<td>11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Baby's Alphabet Quilt</td>
<td>12-13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Infant's Bootees</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Blanket Pins</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This book is dedicated to all the proud mothers, devoted grandmothers and aunts (whether by kinship of blood or affection) who make gifts for children. Fashion conscious little girls like babushkas and bags to match. Little boys can play for hours with a bean bag. Babies like a cuddly toy to take to bed. All these and other gifts are included in—"Things to Sew—Gifts for Children."

The lines of actual size patterns are printed in red.
Humpty Dumpty Beanbag

Patterns
These are given actual size. Trace off, using smooth tissue paper.

Cutting Directions
Cut 2 top, 4 leg and 4 arm pieces of one color; 2 bottom pieces of contrasting color.

Sewing Directions
TOP ... Using the floss in two strands, embroider features on right side of one top piece. Use outline and satin stitches for eyes and mouth; French knots for nostrils. Lap edges of each top section 1/2" over each bottom section and whip stitch together.

ARMS AND LEGS ... Place two corresponding pieces together, edges even. With matching thread overhand edges together, leaving inner edges open. Stuff each firmly with cotton.

BODY ... Place the two body pieces wrong sides together, edges even. Insert arms and legs between the two body pieces as shown. With matching thread overhand edges of bottom together, catching in arms and legs. Whip stitch edges flat to arms and legs on reverse side.

Materials
Pieces of felt in two contrasting colors.
Striped ribbon (1" wide)—1½ yd.
Dried beans.
Cotton wadding.
J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Mercerized Sewing Threads to match.
J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Six Strand Embroidery Floss in a shade to match felt used for lower half of body.

Stuffing ... Using matching thread, overhand edges of top together. Fill body half full of beans before completing the overhand.

Finishing ... Complete with a bow tie of ribbon.
MAterials

Flesh colored percale (body)—½ yd.
Cotton wadding (stuffing).
Pieces of felt, blue (eyes), red (mouth),
black (shoes and belt).
Chadwick's Red Heart Knitting Worsted
in black (hair).
Piece of plaid gingham (skirt).
Piece of sock or jersey (socks).
Satin ribbon ¼" wide—½ yd. (hair bows).
Tiny buckle (belt).
J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Six Strand
Embroidery Floss in black.
J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Mercerized Sewing Threads to match.
Snap fasten: ers (2).

Patterns

Trace off, using smooth tissue paper.
Do not cut the body pattern.

Cutting and Stitching

Body . . . Fold material in half, right
sides together. Baste the two layers
together. Place the tissue tracing of pat-
ttern to material. Pin in place. Stitch
along the lines of the body through both
layers of material, leaving openings at
places indicated on pattern. Tear the
tissue off.
Cut ¼" beyond the line of stitching
all around the outside of the body. Snap
seams almost to stitching line at corners and around curves. Turn the body right side out, then insert stuffing a little at a time through the openings left in stitching. Slip stitch open edges together.

SHAPING THE BODY . . . Smooth the stuffing away on each side of the break lines on shoulders and above the legs. Machine stitch on these lines to form joints so the body will be flexible.

FEET . . . At the top of each foot lap one dart line to the other and slip stitch the folded edge down flat to bring the foot forward into shape.

FACE . . . Cut the outline of eyes on blue felt, mouth on red felt. Put the eye pieces in place. Using embroidery floss, attach to face with a French knot in center. Put mouth in place and sew on invisibly with matching thread. Work eyebrows and eyelashes in outline stitch with floss. Nostrils can be made with a short stitch of floss.

HAIR . . . This is made from strands of wool 16" long. Before placing these, baste a center line from the top down back of head. Lay the strands on this line one at a time, center of strand to basting line. Tack each strand with a back stitch.

Place other strands at the sides in line with the eyes. Tack with back stitch. Braid all strands to the end and tie with a bow of ribbon. Make bangs on the forehead with loops of yarn tacked securely to hair at top seam of head. Clip loops and trim evenly.

CLOTHES FOR DOLL

BLOUSE . . . Using an 8" long x 4 1/2" wide piece of fabric, fold through the center lengthwise. Measure 4" from raw edge on this line. Cut to this point. Snip 1/2" on each side of the center cut. This makes the back opening and neck. Fold crosswise. Make 1/4" seams in sides to within 3/4" of the center crosswise fold. Make tiny hems on all raw edges. Sew a snap at the neckline.

SKIRT . . . Cut a piece of plaid 6 1/2" long and 15" wide. Right sides facing, join the ends together in a 1/4" seam, leaving 1" open from top. Hem the 1" opening which will serve as placket. Put a 3/4" hem in bottom of skirt.

Run a gathering stitch around the top edge. Pull up gathers to measure 4 1/2" and fasten.

Fold a 1" wide and 5" long piece for waistband through the center lengthwise, right sides together. Stitch across the ends 1/4" from raw edge. Turn raw edges of band 1/4" to wrong side and crease. Turn band right side out. Slip the gathered top of skirt between the creased edges of the band. Baste. Top stitch through all thicknesses. Sew a snap on the waistband.

BELT . . . Attach buckle to one end of belt and tack in place.

SOCKS . . . Make one seam in each piece of sock or jersey from top across short end. Turn seam to inside.

SHOE . . . Fold top in half, center back seam edges even; whip stitch together with matching thread. Join this top to the sole wrong sides together, centers matching, and overhand edges.

FINISHING . . . Dress the doll with blouse tucked into the skirt, belt, shoes and socks in place. When the shoes are on, lap the unattached strip one end over the other and whip stitch together.
MATERIALS
Pieces of fabric large enough to cut out patterns:
- Coat—light weight wool, cotton plaid for lining.
- Skirt—cotton plaid.
- Blouse—white broadcloth or muslin.
- Hat—felt.
- 12” lace edging (1½” wide) for blouse.
- 2 snap fasteners.
- J. & P. Coats or Clark’s O.N.T. Mercerized Sewing Thread to match materials.

CUTTING DIRECTIONS... Trace patterns onto tissue paper. Watch for places where edges of patterns are placed on a fold. Cut skirt to measurements given on diagram.

SEWING DIRECTIONS
COAT... Right sides together inside, make ¼” seam on sleeve and under- arm edges. Press seams open. Do the same with coat lining piece.
- Place coat and lining right sides together and pin all around edge. Stitch with ¼” seam, leaving the bottom of the sleeves free and the bottom of coat open 2” for turning.
- Turn to right side and pull lining through sleeves.
- Turn raw edges of sleeves and opening at bottom under ¼”. Overhand together.

BLOUSE... Fold blouse right sides together and make ¼” side seams, leaving an opening ¾” from fold for armholes. Press seams open.
- Make narrow hand rolled hems around neck, armholes, back opening and bottom.
- Cut two pieces of lace 6” long. Draw lace up to fit the armhole and overhand it in place.

SKIRT... Fold the piece (cut to measurements) with right side inside, 5” edges together. Stitch a ¼” seam, leaving 1½” open at one end.
- Clip seam into stitching at end of opening. Turn under a narrow hem along each side of opening and finish by hand for a placket. Finish the bottom with 1” hem.
- Make a line of small running stitches around top ¼” from edge, leaving a long thread end.
- Fold the 8½” x 1 ½” belt piece with right side inside and stitch ends with ¼” seams.
- Pull gathers to fit belt, pinning at each end. Arrange gathers evenly and pin gathered edge to one edge of belt, right sides together. Stitch along gathering line.
- Turn belt to wrong side, turn under ¼” along raw edge and pin folded edge along seam. Slip stitch down. Sew a snap close to edge of openings.

HAT... Bring edges marked X together, pin and whip stitch. Fold hat back as shown to fit doll.
Doll Clothes

(These will fit a 12" doll)

**BLOUSE PATTERN**

CUT ONE OF WHITE

PLACE THIS EDGE ON CENTER FRONT

**HAT PATTERN**

CUT ONE OF FELT

TURN BACK FOR BRIM

PLACE THIS EDGE ON FOLD

**SKIRT PATTERN**

RIGHT SIDE

WRONG SIDE

www.antiquepatternlibrary.org 2022
MATERIALS

Velveteen—1 yd. Lining fabric (tafeta, etc.) to match.
Pieces of felt in red, green and yellow (appliques).
J. & P. Coats or Clark’s O.N.T. Mercerized
Sewing Threads to match.
J. & P. Coats or Clark’s O.N.T. Six Strand
Embroidery Floss in yellow.

CUTTING DIRECTIONS

Patterns are actual size with ¼" seams allowed. Using a piece of smooth tissue paper, trace off each pattern separately. A portion of the side section pattern overlaps the center section pattern and is indicated by the broken lines. Tie end should be extended 2½" beyond pattern as shown. Follow directions on each piece for number to be cut. Appliques are given actual size. Trace off same as patterns. See sketch for number of each needed.

FACING THE TIE

Place facing on tie end, right sides together, raw edges matching. Stitch in ⅛" seam everywhere except across the straight end. Sides should be left free ½" for joining to side section lining later. Trim edges of seam and clip through each point. Turn inside out.
**Babushka**

**Sketched on Cover**

**CENTER SECTION**

**CUT 1 OF FABRIC; 1 OF LINING**

---

**JOIN SIDE AND CENTER SECTIONS OF VELVETEEN**

Right sides together, join one side section to each side of the center, starting at the front with edges exactly even. Ease the curve of the side to the straight edge of the center between points marked X. Make ⅛" seams and press them open.

**MAKE LINING FOR BABUSHKA**

Join side sections to center in the same way as the velveteen. Turn ¼" to wrong side on narrow straight edges for lapping over facing of tie end. Press.

**PUT LINING IN BABUSHKA**

With right sides inside, raw edges and seams matching, place lining and babushka together. Stitch ⅛" seam all around, leaving 2" open at the center of lower back edge for turning. Trim seams. Turn right side out. Fold under ¼" of the raw edges of both lining and velveteen at the opening left for turning. Slip stitch folded edges together. Top stitch ¼" from all finished edges.

**FINISH JOINING OF LINING**

Lay the folded edge of the babushka lining over the facing of the ends and slip stitch in place.

**FLOWER APPLIQUÉ**

Place flowers in alternating colors along each seam, evenly spaced, with green leaves between. Put a center in each flower and attach it with a French knot made with yellow floss. See sketch of finished babushka.
Child's Shoulder Bag

Sketched on Cover

CUTTING DIRECTIONS

BAG:
Two pieces, each 6¼" wide x 15½" long.

HANDLE:
Two pieces, each ¾" wide x 36" long.

GUSSETS:
2 pieces by pattern.

HANDLE LOOPS:
One strip, ½" wide x 6" long.

APPLIQUÉS:
Using patterns given, cut 2 stems (green), 4 leaves (green), 3 flowers (red), 2 flowers (yellow), 5 centers (green).

JOIN GUSSET TO SIDE OF BAG
Place the two bag pieces together, edges even; baste. Using matching thread, top stitch across one 5½" edge (front top edge) of bag. Baste one long edge of gusset to a 15¾" edge of the bag with edges even at top. Ease the bag into shape around the lower curved edge of gusset. Continue to baste edges together on the other side of gusset. The back flap of bag will extend beyond top.

HANDLE LOOP
Fold strip for loops in half lengthwise. Top stitch close to raw edges. Cut strip into two equal pieces. Tack ends of a loop to seams at the top front edge on each side. Bring seams on sides of gusset together to conceal joining of handle loops and make a tuck at the top of gusset. Tack securely on wrong side. Draw each end of handle through a loop. Sew raw end securely to wrong side.

APPLIQUÉS
Arrange flowers and leaves on flap as shown in sketch of finished bag with round pieces in center of flowers. Attach each piece invisibly with matching thread. Turn flap down over front and put on a snap fastener.

MATERIALS
Felt (36" wide)—¼ yd.
Pieces of felt in red, yellow and green (appliqué).
Snap fastener.
J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Mercerized Sewing Threads to match.
**Sitting Dog**

**Sketched on Cover**

**MATERIALS**

- Print percale—1/4 yd. or a remnant.
- Cotton wadding for stuffing.
- Piece of white felt (eyes).
- Ribbon—1/4 yd. in a contrasting color.
- Pieces of white yarn (tail).
- J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Mercerized Sewing Thread.
- J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Six Strand Embroidery Floss in black.

**CUTTING DIRECTIONS**

Trace pattern pieces on smooth tissue paper.

Cut 2 body, 2 head and 4 ear pieces of gingham; 2 eyes of felt.

**SEWING DIRECTIONS**

**BODY**... Baste and stitch the two body pieces right sides together; leave top of neck open. At corner clip seams almost to stitching line. Turn body right side out. Stuff body firmly with cotton wadding, little at a time. Turn in open edges at neck and slip stitch together.

**HEAD**... Baste and stitch the two head pieces together in same way as body, leaving top of head open. Turn right side out. Stuff, then slip stitch open edges together. Place each eye in position and attach to head with satin stitches. Using four strands of embroidery floss, form shape of nose with satin stitches; mouth and eyebrows and leg markings with outline stitches.

**EARS**... For each ear, baste a thin layer of cotton wadding (cut to fit) to wrong side of one ear section. Place two ear sections right sides together. Baste and stitch, leaving an opening for turning. Turn to right side, fold in open edges, slip stitch together. Place each ear in position on sides of head (X's) and sew securely.

**JOINING and FINISHING**... Place head on neck of body, right sides up. Sew together securely along edge of neck. Tie ribbon into bow around neck. Make a small pom pom of yarn for tail and attach.
Baby’s Alphabet Quilt


PREPARATION . . . Remove pages from book. Use lukewarm water and mild soap flakes to remove sizing, wash the pictures, muslin and border cotton gently without rubbing. Iron when almost dry, being careful to press back to original size.

CUTTING DIRECTIONS . . . Ten muslin pieces same size as the pictures.

SEWING DIRECTIONS
PIECE THE TOP SECTION . . . With right sides together join a picture to a muslin piece. Use ¼" seam in stitching. Press seams open.

Continue to join pictures and muslin pieces alternately, then join the strips in crosswise seams ¼" wide (Figure 1).

The picture pages used for making the alphabet quilt were taken from a book published by Peggy Cloth Books, Inc.
CUT THE BORDERS... Cut two strips of the contrasting color the length of the pieced section plus 4" and 4 1/2" wide.
Cut two 2 1/4" strips the width of the pieced section (Figure 2).

SET BORDER ON PIECED SECTION... With right sides together, sew the two narrow border pieces across the width of the quilt first (Figure 3). Use 1/4" seams. Stitch and press the seams open.
Sew the lengthwise pieces on each side, right sides together, as shown in Figure 4.

CUT THE MUSLIN LINING... Measure the pieced section with border stitched on and cut the muslin lining exactly the same size.

CUT AND TACK BATTING... Place lining on a table and lay batting on top of it. Pin together.
Trim the batting to make it 3/4" smaller than the muslin on all edges. Baste batting to lining with long loose stitches.

BE CAREFUL TO REMOVE ALL PINS.

PUT TOP AND LINING TOGETHER... Lay pieced top section on the batting which has been tacked to the lining. Pin and baste together.
Turn raw edges 1/2" on wrong side all around the outside of both lining and top section. Pin and baste. Slip stitch these edges together.

FINISH THE QUILT... Using one strand of wool and a darning needle, put running stitches lengthwise and crosswise along seams through all thicknesses: have stitches 1/4" long spaced 3/4" apart (Figure 5).
At each corner of the pictures, take one short stitch through two layers, leaving two ends of yarn about 1 1/2" long.
Tie ends in a double knot, then clip ends short to make a tuff.
Infant's Bootees


PATTERNS . . . These are given actual size. Trace off, using smooth tissue paper. Reverse pattern when cutting for opposite foot.

CUTTING DIRECTIONS . . . See Patterns.

SEWING DIRECTIONS

SOLE . . . Place two felt sole pieces together with buckram interlining between. Stitch close to edges (Figure A).

BACK . . . With wrong sides together, place the center back points of the back and sole together. Overhand the sole edges together (Figure B).

EMBROIDERY . . . Perforate the flower design (on tracing of pattern for top) with a large needle. Rub a soft pencil or chalk over the perforation to transfer the design to the felt. Using two strands of floss, work the lazy daisies and French knot centers.

JOIN TOP TO INSET SECTION . . . Place the curved top edge of the inset to the top, wrong sides together, center front points and X's matching (Figure C). Overhand edges together, easing inset to top on each side of the center front.

JOIN FRONT TO SOLE . . . Wrong sides together and center points matching, overhand edges of inset and sole together (Figure D). Let the ends of the inset overlap edge of back.

FINISHING . . . Cut slits for ribbon on back and top as shown on the pattern. Draw ribbon through slits and tie in a bow (Figure E).
Blanket Pins

MATERIALS

Pieces of pink and blue felt... Pair of crib pins (pink and blue) ... Narrow white satin ribbon—½ yd. . . . Cotton wadding for stuffing . . . J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Six Strand Embroidery Floss in black . . . J. & P. Coats or Clark's O.N.T. Mercerized Sewing Threads to match.

PATTERN . . . This is given actual size. Trace off, using smooth tissue paper.

CUTTING DIRECTIONS . . . ONE LAMB: Two pieces by pattern (same color). Cut ribbon into two equal pieces.

SEWING DIRECTIONS

FRONT . . . Using two strands of floss work eyes in satin stitch, nose in outline stitch.

BACK . . . Make two slits in one piece and insert safety pin. Overhand edges together (Figure A).

JOIN FRONT AND BACK . . . Place the two body pieces wrong sides together. Using matching thread, overhand edges together, stuffing smoothly with cotton.

FINISH . . . Tie ribbon around neck as shown in photograph.

FIGURE A
# Gifts for Children

## Things to Sew

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>A</th>
<th>B</th>
<th>C</th>
<th>D</th>
<th>E</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Apple</td>
<td>Boy</td>
<td>Cow</td>
<td>Doll</td>
<td>Elephant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>F</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>J</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flower</td>
<td>Giraffe</td>
<td>Horse</td>
<td>Indian</td>
<td>Jar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M</td>
<td>N</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>P</td>
<td>Q</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mouse</td>
<td>Nest</td>
<td>Owl</td>
<td>Prince</td>
<td>Queen</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>U</td>
<td>V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rain</td>
<td>Sun</td>
<td>Tree</td>
<td>Umbrella</td>
<td>Violin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>Y</td>
<td>Z</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Whistle</td>
<td>Xylophone</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>