

LAZY MAY

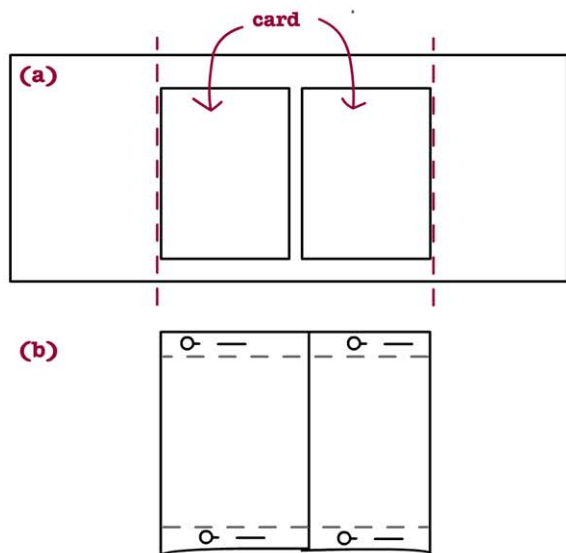
needle book

this tutorial will show you how make a handy needle book. It is small enough to carry easily and can hold needles, pins and thread

To make one you will need

2 x stiff cardboard each 4" wide by 6" high
20" by 10" colourful fabric
20" by 10" white felt
embroidery thread in a contrasting colour
embroidery thread in a colour matching your fabric

12" of elastic
needle, pins
scissors, pen, ruler



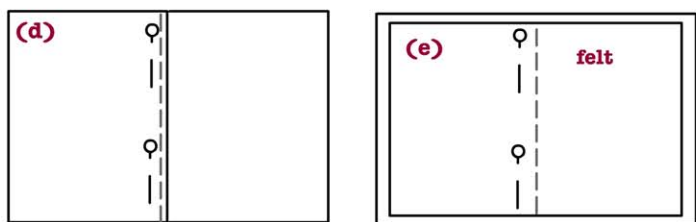
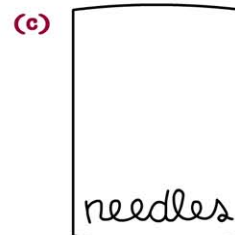
1. Place your cardboard pieces on top of the colourful fabric as shown in (a).

2. Fold the fabric over the cardboard along the dashed lines, letting the left side overlap the right (b).

3. Pin the fabric in this position and mark the the position of the top and bottom on the card board using a pen and ruler. Your pen lines will be roughly as shown by the grey dashed lines (b).

4. Remove the cardboard and stitch along your pen lines in the matching thread in a small tight back stitch.

5. Turn the two pockets you have made inside out, transfer the 'needles' pattern in to the position shown (c). See the Lazy May How 2 page for more info on transferring patterns. Embroider the design in a contrasting colour to your fabric. Make sure you only stitch through the top layer of fabric.



6. Push the two peices of card back inside the pockets and tuck the side that is longer in to the other side, pin and stitch in place (d), again be careful not to stitch through to the front of the book.

7. Cut two rectangles from your felt roughly 5 1/2" by 8". Lay the felt pieces one on top of the other in the centre of your book.

8. Pin and stitch the felt in place using contrasting thread, along the gret dashed line (e), again make sure you do not sew through to cover.

9. Now make the thread holders, cut a 6" strip of elastic fold over both ends by about 1/4 inch and stitch as shown (f). Attach the remaining elastic in the same way directly behind the f rst piece, this will hide the stitches.

