

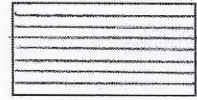
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Reversible Shopping Bag

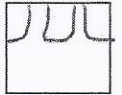
5/8 yd 44-45" fabric for lining

5/8 yd 44-45" self made fabric for outside

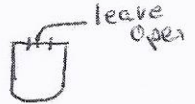
-Sew together 11 (2.5" strips or enough squares to make a 23" x 44" piece)
(keep ends of strips even by always starting to sew from the same end)



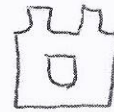
-Fold both fabric strips in half lengthwise; cut out the bag & lining, save the fabric from the "neck" area to make a pocket.



-For the pocket: sew the lining to the outside fabric, following the cutout with 1/2" seam, leave a 3" opening to turn the pocket; trim and clip then turn and stitch shut.



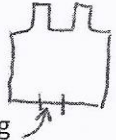
-Put on pocket on the outside fabric and one on the lining. Top stitch in place.



-To make the bag:

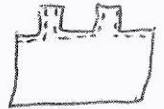
-with right sides together, sew sides and bottom of the outside bag with 1/2" seam

-with right sides together, sew sides and bottom, leaving a 4" opening on bottom of lining bag



-trim corners, turn one bag right side out and slip into the other bag, lining up the side seams and the straps. pin the "armholes" and "neck" opening and sew together with 1/4" seam, leave the top of the straps unsewed. Clip and turn the bag right side out through the opening in the bottom of the lining.

-top stitch the opening closed. Tuck the lining into the other bag. Stitch the straps together.



-at this point you can top stitch the neck & arm hole openings or not.

-fold the top of the straps inward to the center and stitch to make a more comfortable carrying handle.

