



Girl's Dress and Hair Bow

Finished size: 21" (length)

SUPPLIES NEEDED

- 2 - ¼ Yard Cottons (Hearts)
- 1 - ¼ Yard Cotton (Orange Multi Dots)
- 1 Toddler's knit shirt (coordinating)
- Removable marker
- Coordinating thread
- Basic sewing supplies
- Sewing machine
- Iron
- Headband, elastic pony tail band, or hair clip (optional)

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

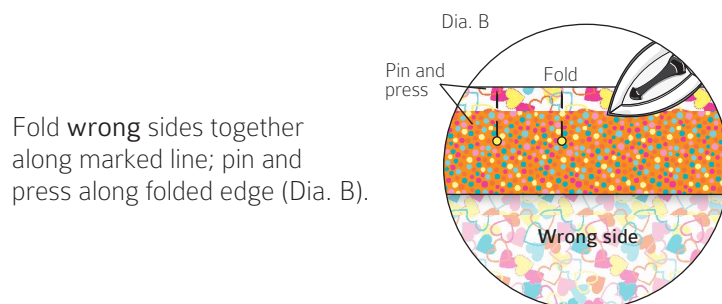
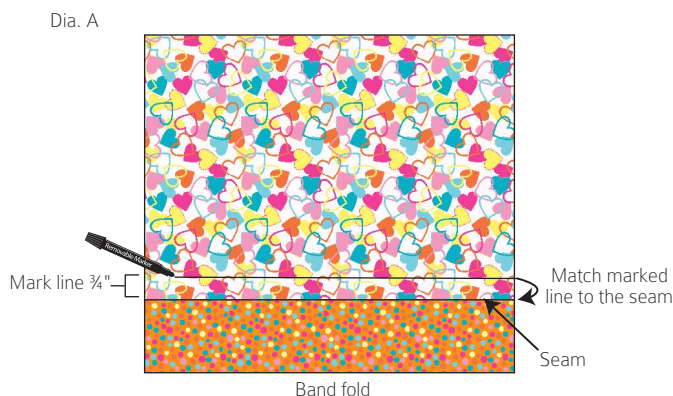
Read all instructions before beginning project. Do not prewash fabrics. Before cutting, press fabrics with a dry iron on cotton setting. Use a ¼" seam allowance and sew fabrics with right sides together (RST) unless otherwise noted. Remove any selvages before cutting. Optional: Use a zigzag or serge stitch to finish raw edges

CUTTING

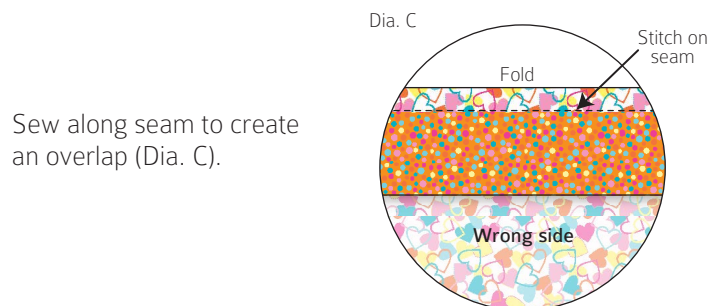
Orange Multi Dot: 2 - 4 ½" x 21" (bottom band)
3 - 3" x 21" (ties)

SEWING

1. Place the two ¼ yd. Hearts dress pieces RST and pin along the 18" edges; sew and press seams open.
2. Place two bottom band pieces (4 ½" x 21") RST and pin along the short edges; sew and press seams open.
3. Fold the bottom band with **wrong** sides together so long edges meet and press. Pin to the right side of one long edge of the dress matching seams with cut edges even; sew.
4. On the right side of the dress, measure ¾" up from the seam and mark (Dia. A).

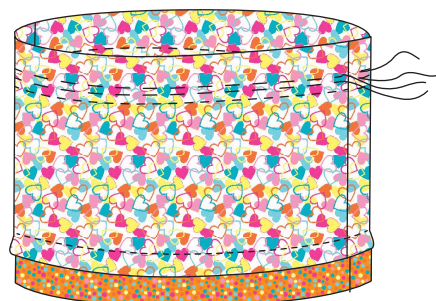


Fold **wrong** sides together along marked line; pin and press along folded edge (Dia. B).

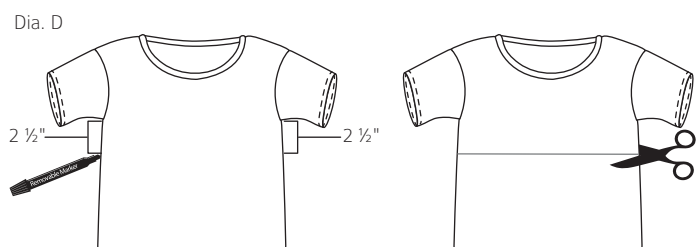


Sew along seam to create an overlap (Dia. C).

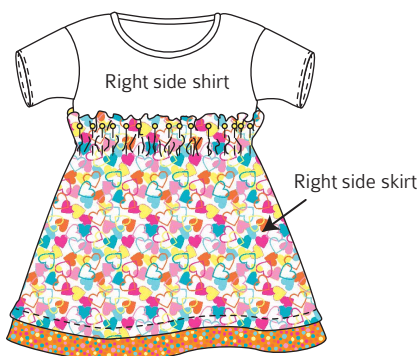
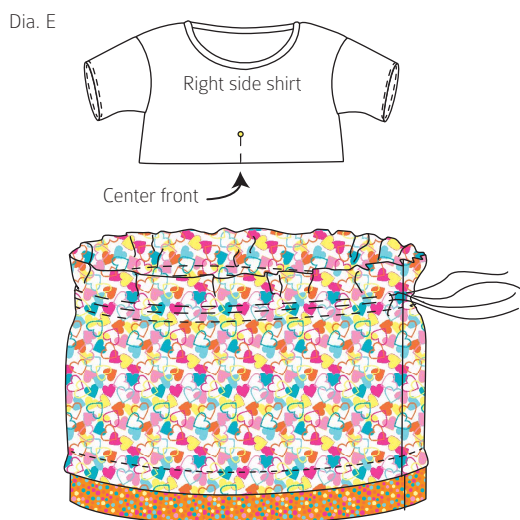
5. Press the top edge of the dress ¼" to the **wrong** side. Fold under again 1 ½"; pin, press and baste.
6. Sew a long gathering stitch along the line of basting. Sew another row of gathering stitches ¼" away from the line of basting.



7. On the knit shirt, measure down 2 ½" below each armhole, mark. Draw a straight line across the front and back; cut off bottom of shirt (Dia. D).



8. Gather the dress to fit the bottom edge of the shirt, and pin the **wrong** side of the dress to the right side of the shirt, matching side seams and bottom edge of shirt with bottom of gathering stitching; pin, baste and sew over the gather stitching (Dia. E). **Note: Check that gathers are evenly dispersed before sewing.**



9. Place two ties (3" x 21") RST and pin on one end; sew and press seam open. Fold the tie RST so long edges meet; sew along the edges, leaving a 2" opening at the center of the long edge for turning. Turn right side out, hand stitch opening closed and press.

10. Pin the center seam of the tie to the center back of the dress over the gathering stitches and tack in place. Bring tails to the front and make a bow.

FINISHING

11. Fold the remaining tie RST so long edges meet. Sew a ¼" seam along the cut edges, leaving a 2" opening at the center for turning. Turn right side out, hand stitch opening closed and press. Make a bow and attach to headband, elastic ponytail band or hair clip.

FINISHED CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Machine wash in cold water, gentle cycle, hang to dry.