

kids' drawing case

Supplies:

Outer fabric (cotton or lightweight canvas): fat quarter or 1/2 yard
Pocket fabric: fat quarter or 1/2 yard
Quilt batting: 10" x 13"
Velcro: 2" length of 1" width
Fabric marker
Matching thread

Cut fabric:

Outer fabric: 10" x 13" (cut 2)
Quilt batting: 10" x 13" (cut 1)
Pocket fabric: 12" x 13" (cut 1)
Tab fabric: 2" x 5" (cut 2)

Instructions:

1. Make pocket and pencil dividers.

Fold pocket piece in half along the width with *wrong* sides together, forming a 6" x 13" piece. Position the pocket piece on the right side of a piece of the outer fabric with the bottom raw edges aligned. Measure 1/2" from the right side on the pocket piece and draw a vertical line with the fabric marker. Then continue to draw lines 3/4" apart until you have a total of 9 lines. Stitch along these lines to form your pencil dividers.

2. Make tab fastener.

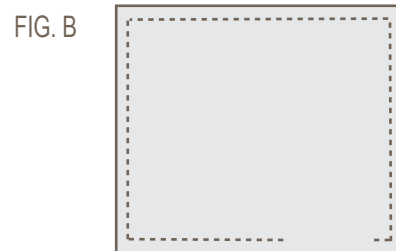
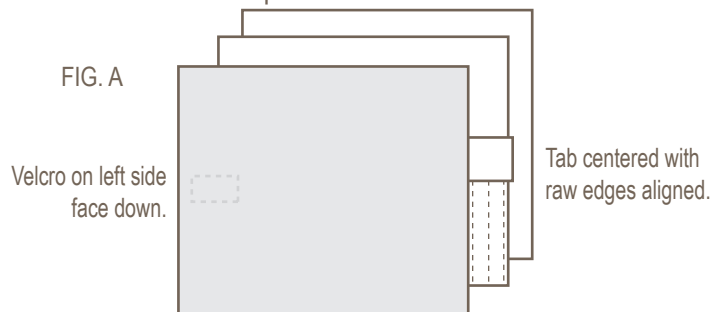
Sew one side of the Velcro to the right side of one of the 2" x 5" pieces, using a straight stitch to sew around all four sides. Then, with the two 2" x 5" pieces right sides together, sew around three sides with a 1/4" seam allowance, leaving an opening at a short end. Clip the corners, then turn the fabric tube right sides out and press flat.

3. Sew Velcro to front piece.

Center the remaining side of the Velcro strip along the right side of the other outer fabric piece on the front of the fabric, about 3/4" from the side edge.

4. Sew pieces together.

Pin the pieces right sides together in the following order: quilt batting, pocket side of outer fabric right sides up, tab with Velcro down and raw edges aligned at the right of the fabric, then front of outer fabric with Velcro on the left side and right sides down. See fig. A below. Sew around three sides as shown in fig. B, leaving an opening to turn right sides out in the next step.



5. Turn right sides out and topstitch.

Turn the case right sides out through the opening. Press flat and topstitch the opening closed. You may topstitch around the entire case if you'd like.