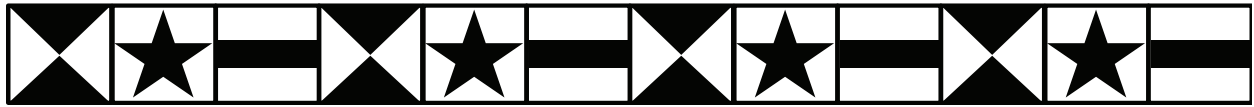


Patchwork Quilt



Read *Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt* by Deborah Hopkinson, then make a nine-patch quilt square like those in Sweet Clara's quilt. Experiment with color combinations.

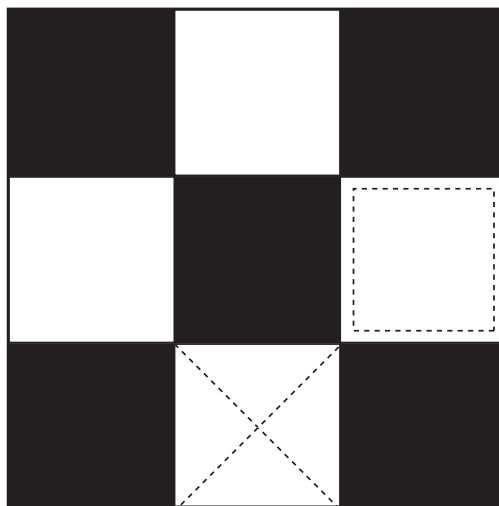
What you need:

- construction paper in assorted colors (you can also use old wallpaper samples)
- glue sticks
- markers or pencils

What you do:

1. Cut one six-inch square of light-colored construction paper.
2. Cut five two-inch squares of darker or contrasting color construction paper.
3. Have your child glue one small square in each corner of the larger square then glue the last small square to the middle.
4. Have your child draw "stitches" on either the light or dark squares or both to look like quilting stitches.

If you like, you and your child can make several nine-patch squares and display them side by side for a paper patchwork quilt.



Sample nine-patch square with stitching drawn in