

# Toy Snake Project Guide Sheet



## Materials Needed:

- Fabric Scraps - bright colors - 7" by 12" to 7" by 16" pieces
- Scraps of batting - light weight -the same size as your fabric
  - o Optional: Use polyfil stuffing instead of batting
- A small red felt scrap for the tongue
- 6" zipper (directions to use what you have in tips)
- 2 or 3 Large buttons
- A shoe lace
- 2-3 large snaps - gripper gun type if you have them.
- One 6" piece of velcro or hook and loop tape.
- 2 buttons for eyes or firmly attach able wiggly eyes
- Thread --- STRONG Thread for any hand sewing.
- Pencil or chalk

## Steps for Construction:

1. Cut 10 fabric blocks 7" x 12"
2. Cut 2 of the snake head out of green fabric.
3. Cut 1 snake mouth out of the fabric you want to use for the mouth.
4. Cut 1 snake tongue out of red felt.
5. Sew the straight edges of the snake head up to the start of the curved area. Leave the straight edges open.
6. Pin snake mouth to curved edge of snake head. Stitch the mouth on to the curved area. Clip around the curve. Turn right sides out.
7. Put batting or stuffing in snake head. Be sure to leave room at the end to fold raw edge inside and stitch the opening shut.
8. Turn edge of fabric at opening under  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch and sew shut. Follow  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch and  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch seam guidelines.
9. Place two pieces of matching fabric right sides together. Pin.
10. Sew a  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch seam around the rectangle, leaving 2-3 inches open in the center of one small end of fabric. Clip corners, turn right side out, and press flat.
11. On the end opposite the opening, sew along  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch and  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch seam guidelines across the short end. Stuff it. Sew the other end the same way.
12. Follow steps 9-11 for two more sections. Attach the Velcro, eyelets, buttons, buttonholes and snaps to the ends of the sections between the seams on the ends. (You can use diagram at top to know where things go if desired but you can do whatever order you want.)

13. For the zipper section, adjust the length of the zipper to fit the end piece of the fabric. Separate zipper. Place zipper backwards inside the two pieces of fabric for one side. Then place the other part of the zipper backwards along the short end of two pieces of fabric.
14. Sew a  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch seam around the edge, like the other sections. Leave the opening opposite the zipper. Remember you only want 2-3 inches in the middle open so your corners are all sewn.
15. Clip the corners, turn right side out, press.
16. Sew the  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch seam so the zipper is finished off. Then sew the  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch seam so it looks the same as all the other sections.
17. Stuff the sections that have the zipper to connect them. Sew the opening shut on  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch and  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch seam guidelines, like the other sections. Finish putting attachments on to the ends of those sections.
18. Finally, you can attach googly eyes and a red felt tongue for the snake to finish it up. You're finished!! Great Job!