

LITTLE PILLOWCASE DRESS INSTRUCTIONS

1. Press materials. Fold the narrow one in half lengthwise. Press. Line up and sew the lace along the cut edge with a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam. Stitch this piece to the other piece right side and lace side together. Stitch along the sewing line for the lace. Press the body of the dress up.
2. Stitch the back seam with a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch seam allowance. Be sure to match the lace placement and bottom seam. Press seam open.
3. Select the armhole pattern for the correct size you are making. Fold the tube in half along the seam and find the center of each side. Mark or pin the pattern to the side. Cut the armhole from each side.
4. The casing is next. Fold under the casings at the front and back top edges by first folding over $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of the edge toward the inside of the fabric and pressing. Next fold over $\frac{3}{4}$ inch and press. Then stitch along the lower edge.
5. At this time, if you choose to add trim to the lower edge of the casing do that now.
6. Cut the elastic to the correct length and thread it through the casing and stitch the ends. Dress size 3-5 requires (2) 6" pieces; sizes 6-9 (2) 7" pieces; and sizes 10-12 (2) 8" pieces, size 14-16 (2) 10" pieces.
7. The narrow strips are cut on the cross grain. They don't need to be on the bias. If they are not folded, fold them in half and then fold each half in on itself. Don't use steam on the second pressing. It saves the fingers. The strips are cut 2 inches wide. Cut the tape strips to 38" length. Fold $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch to the inside on each end of the strip and press. In the final sewing, it will provide a finished edge.
8. Pin the center of the open strip to the center of the armhole, right side of strip to the wrong side of the armhole. Pin and sew the strip along the fold line to the inside of the dress. Fold the strip over and pin it to the right side of the dress. Be sure to cover the stitching line and trim a little elastic if needed. Pin the rest of the strip together and stitch along the edge of the strip and at the ends. Use a straight, zigzag or decorative stitch.
9. At this point you have a dress. If you want to embellish it further by adding additional trim or pockets or decorative button etc. you may. There may be additional trim or ribbon in the kit. Use it in any way you want on the dress.
10. For pockets, cut material 5.5" x 10". Fold right sides together & stitch across the short ends, $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance, leaving an opening in the center. Press seam up and position the seam 1" down from the top fold. Sew side seams with $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Turn the pocket through the hole left open and press. Stitch across the top, catching the folded seam or add trim there.
11. Tag the dress as to the size
12. If you are not using the folded contrasting strip across the bottom or are only using one thickness, fold over $\frac{1}{4}$ inch and then 2 inch for hem.

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Sizing Chart

| For a size: | the cut length: | For a finished length: | For fabric method the cut width should be: |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------------|---|
| 3 | 22" | 19" | 36-42" |
| 4 | 25" | 22" | 36-42" |
| 5 | 27" | 24" | 42" |
| 6 | 29" | 26" | 42" |
| 7 | 31" | 28" | 42" |
| 8 | 33" | 30" | 42" |
| 9 | 35" | 32" | 42" |
| 10 | 37" | 34" | 42-48" |
| 11 | 39" | 36" | 42-48" |
| 12 | 41" | 38" | 42-48" |
| 14 - 16 | 42" | 39" | 50-60" |

