



FIRST THURSDAY MYSTERY

MONTH 10 HOUSE BLOCK

CUTTING

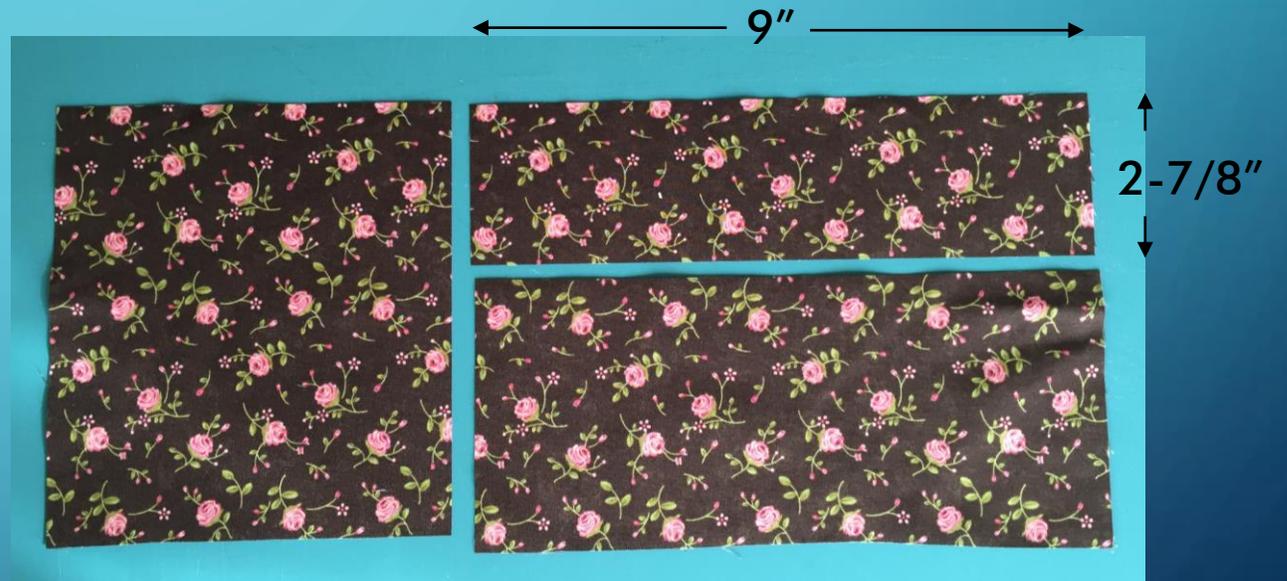
Brown Floral – House

Cut One: cut 7" from one end



Brown Floral

Cut 2: Cut a 2-7/8" x 9" strip from top of wide section

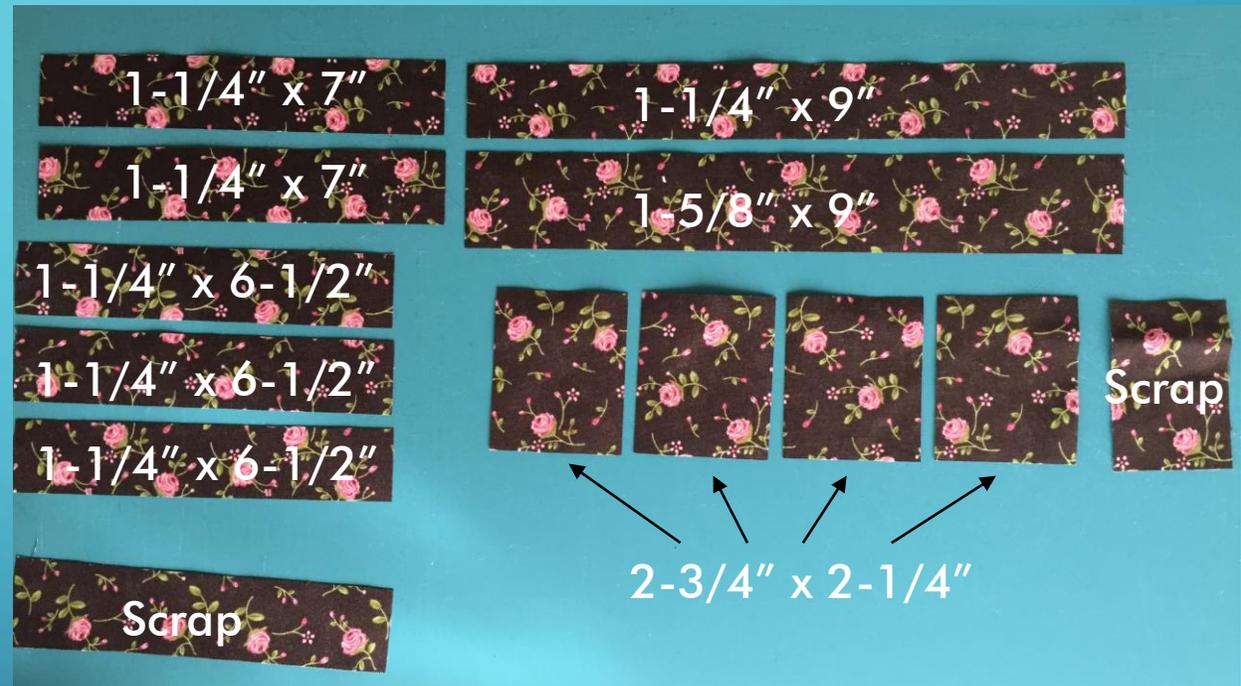


Subcut the three sections already cut as follows:

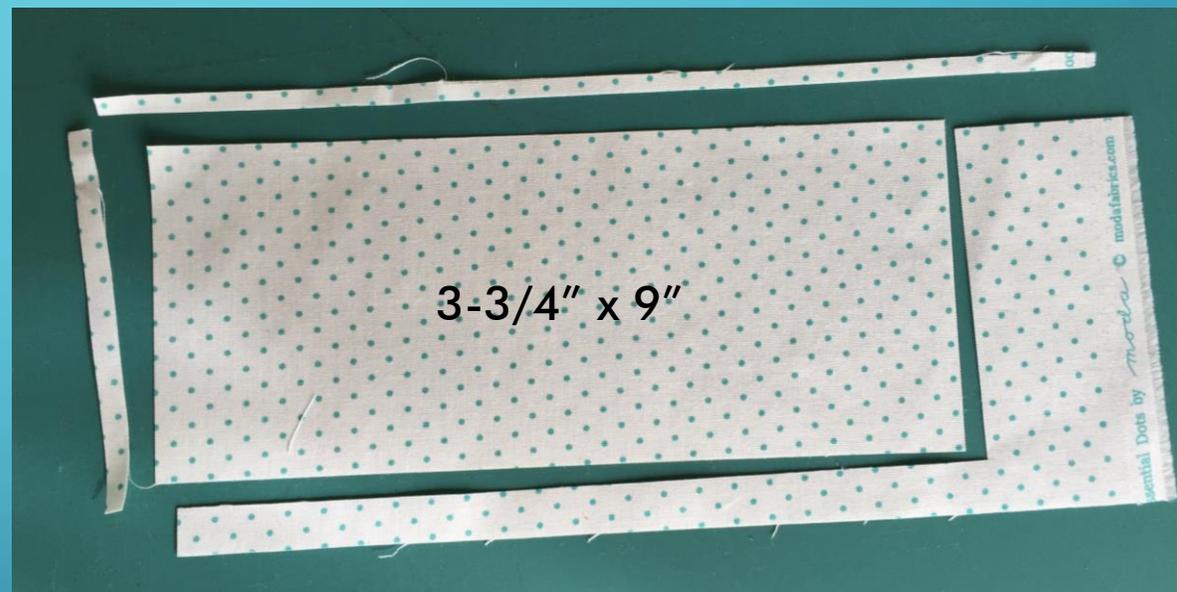
From the 7" wide piece cut two 1-1/4" strips and three 1-1/4" x 6-1/2" strips.

Cut the 2-7/8" strip to 9" long and subcut into a 1-1/4"x9" strip and a 1-5/8"x 9" strip.

From the remaining section cut a 2-3/4" strip and cut four 2-3/4" x 2-1/4" pieces from that strip.

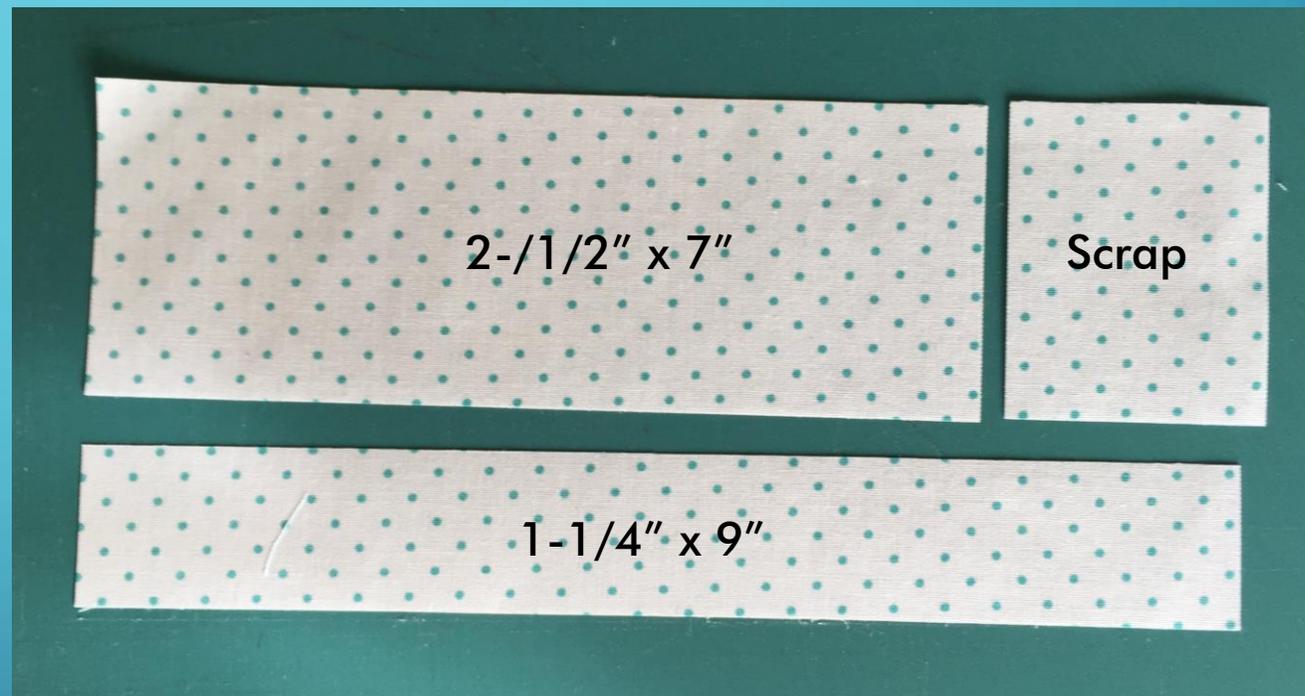


From the window fabric, cut a 3-3/4" x 9' rectangle.

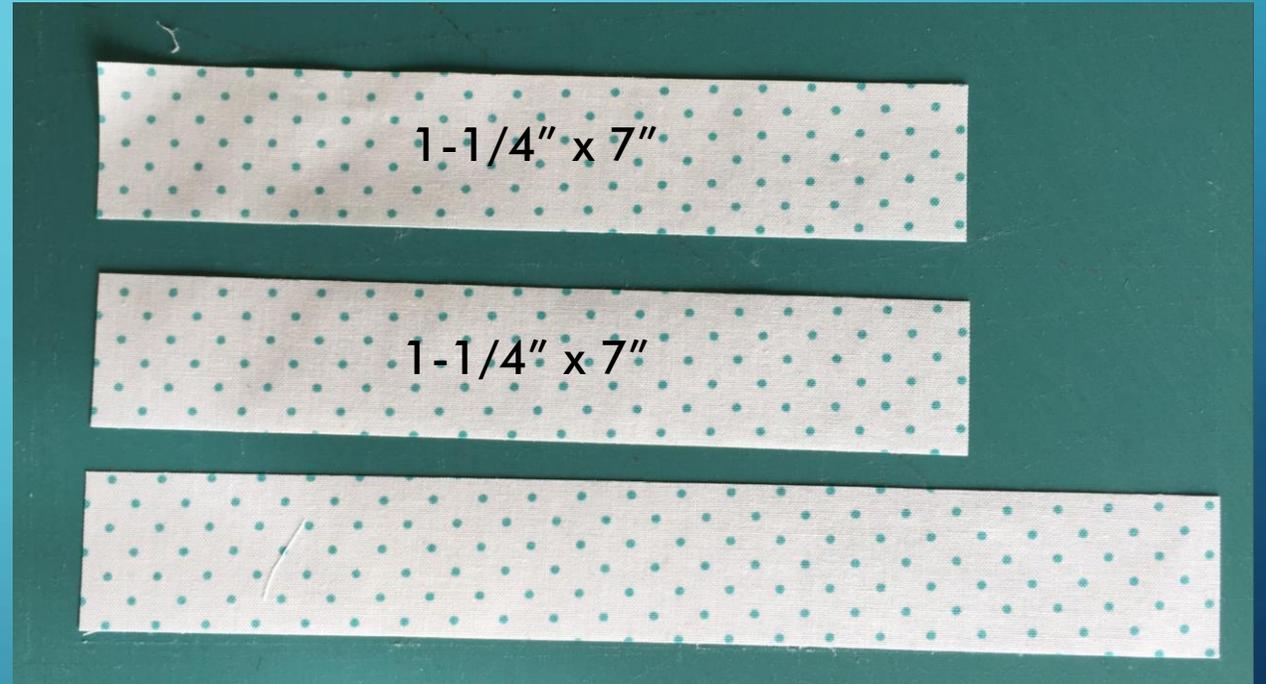


Cut a 1-1/4" strip from the width.

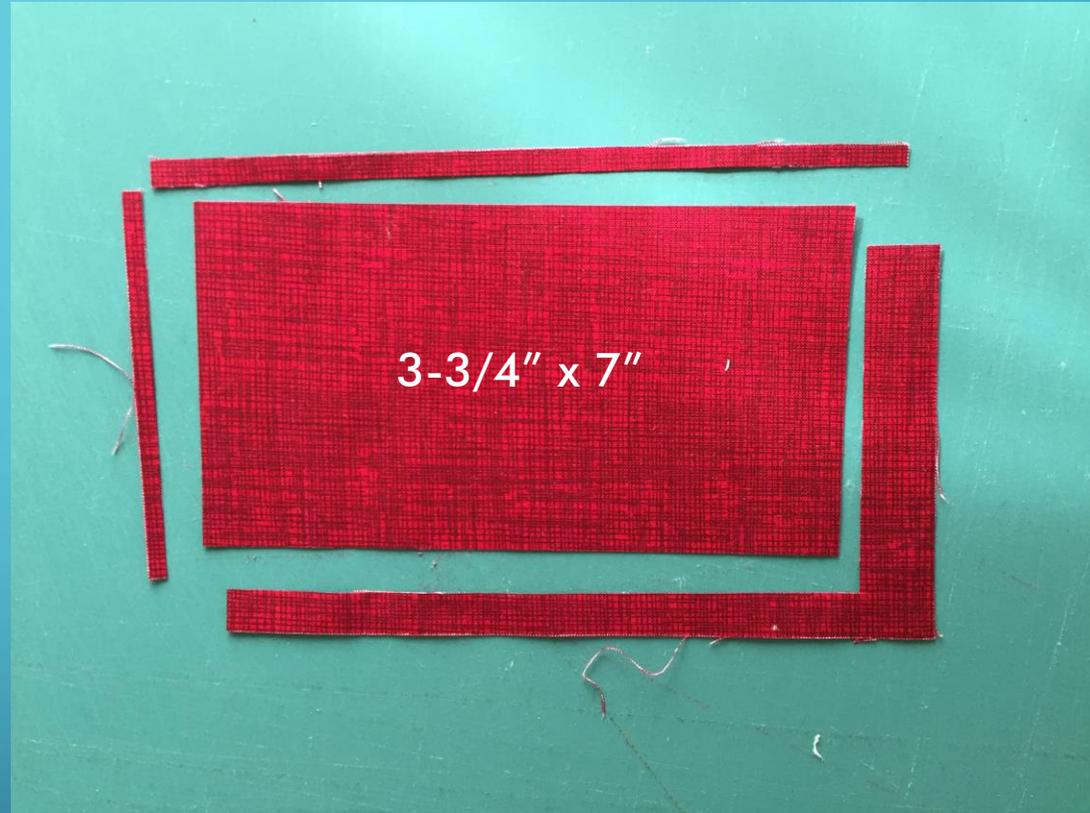
Cut the remaining strip down to 7" wide.



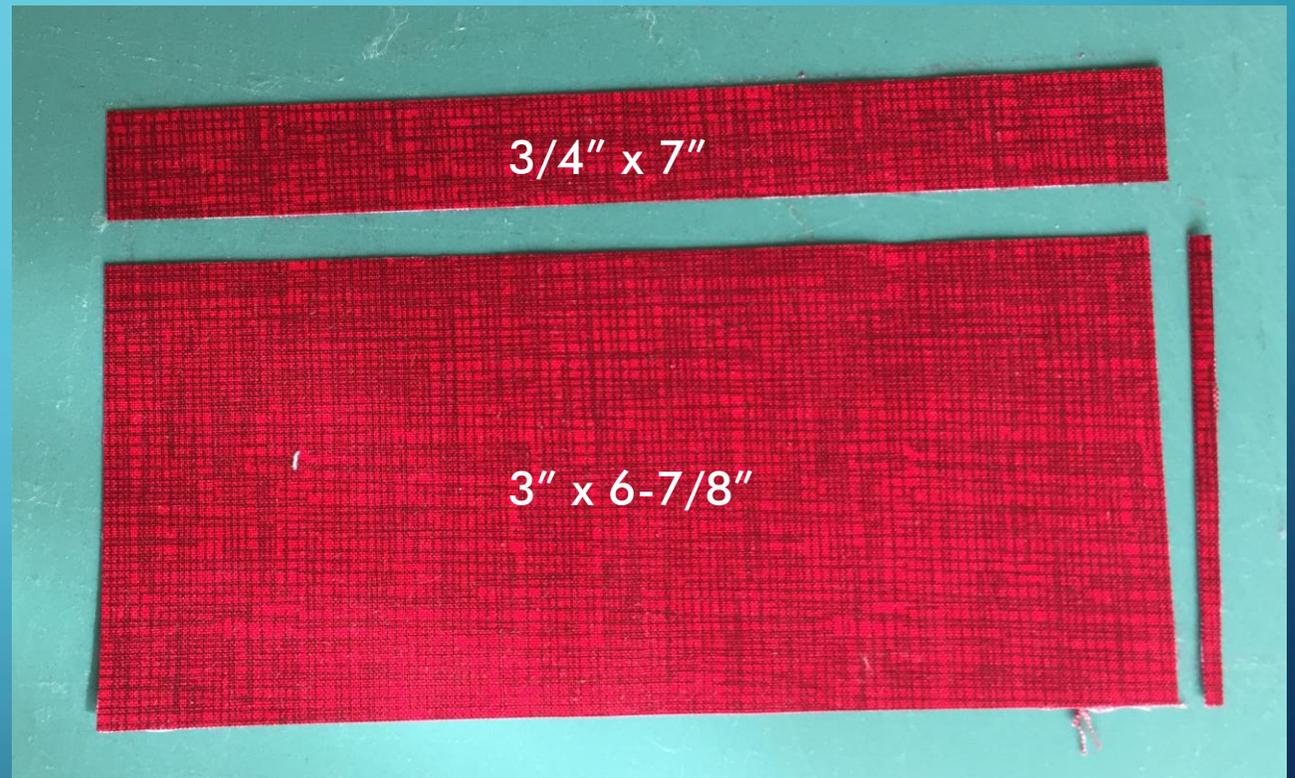
Subcut the 2-1/2" x 7" strip into two strips 1-1/4" x 7"



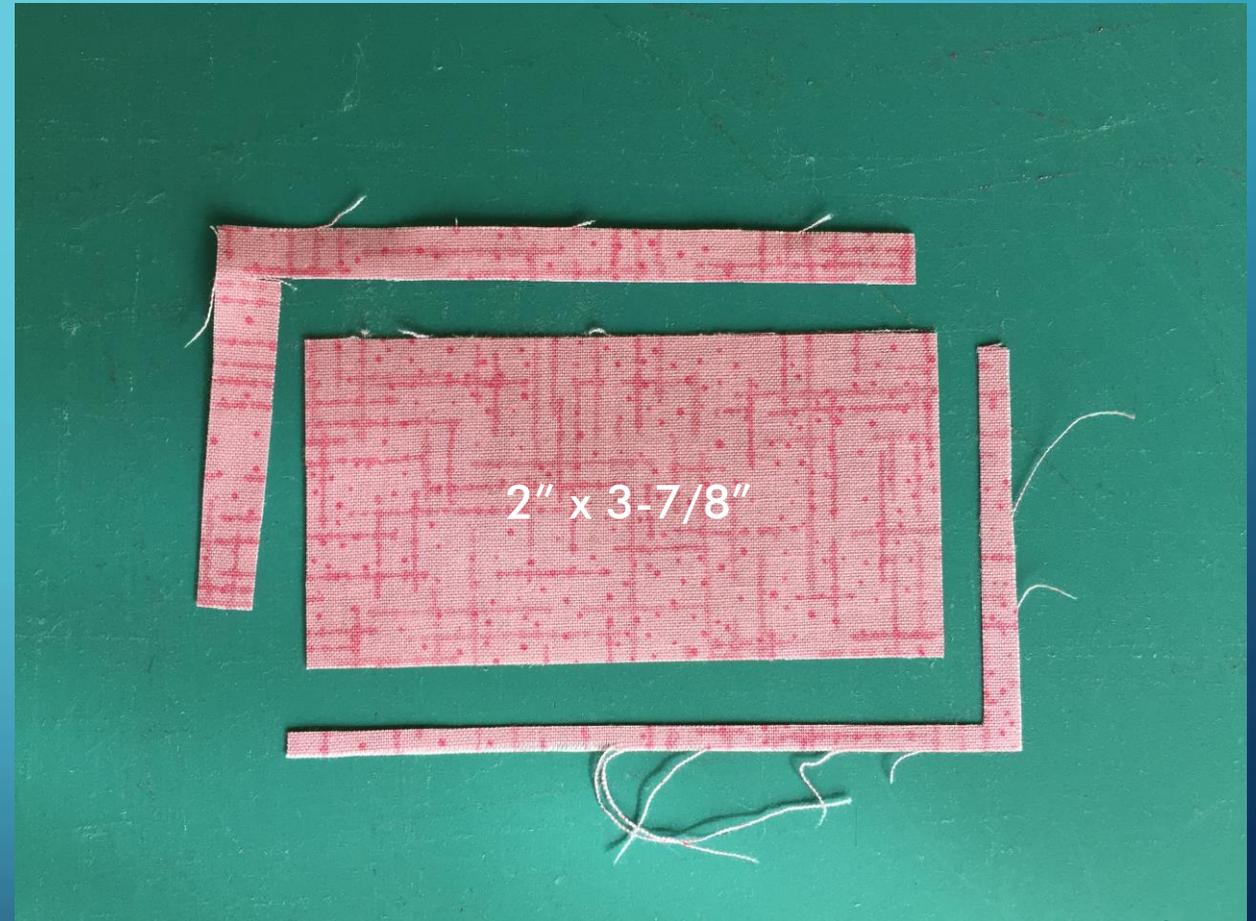
Red Roof Fabric – Cut a 3-3/4" x 7" rectangle.



Subcut the red rectangle into a $3/4''$ x $7''$ strip and a $3''$ x $6-7/8''$ strip.



From the pink door fabric, cut a 2" x 3-7/8"
rectangle

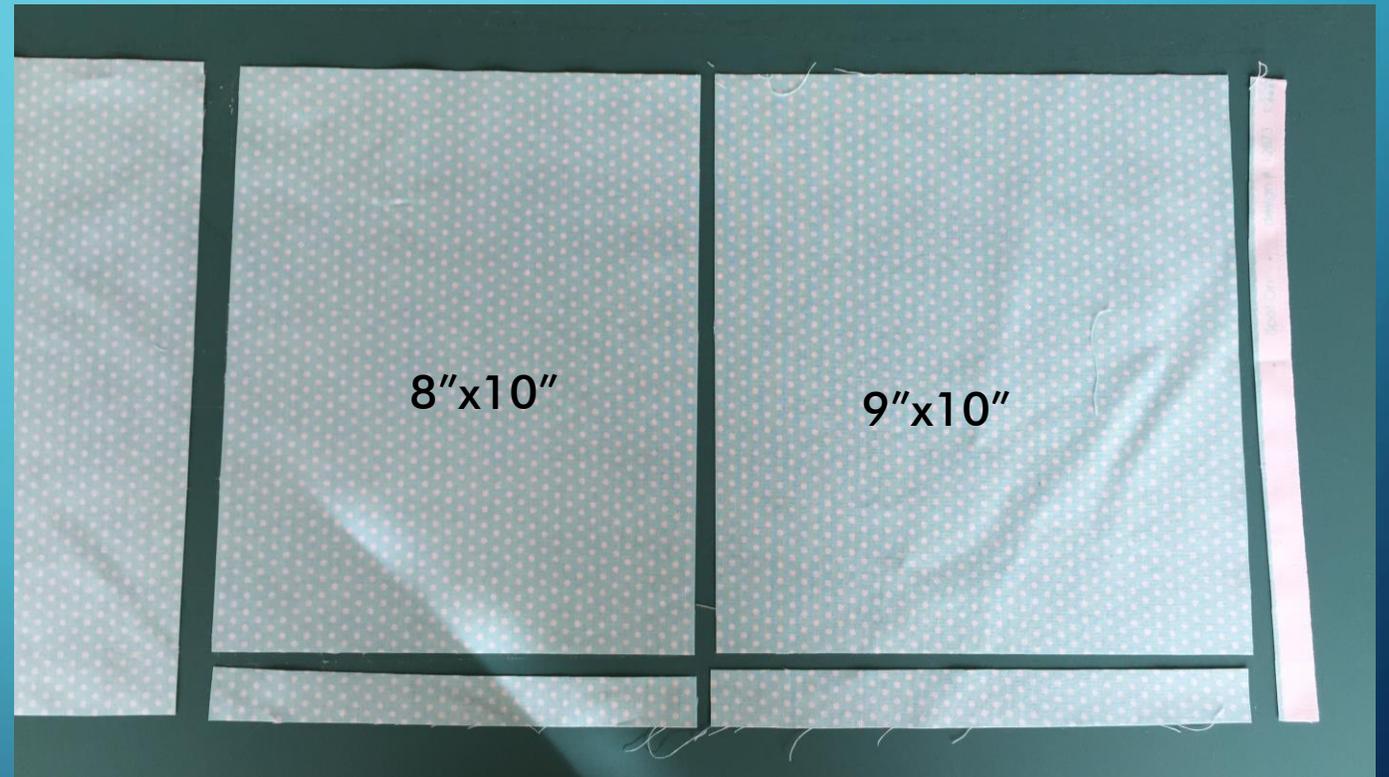


From the brown polka dots, cut two 1-1/4" squares for chimneys



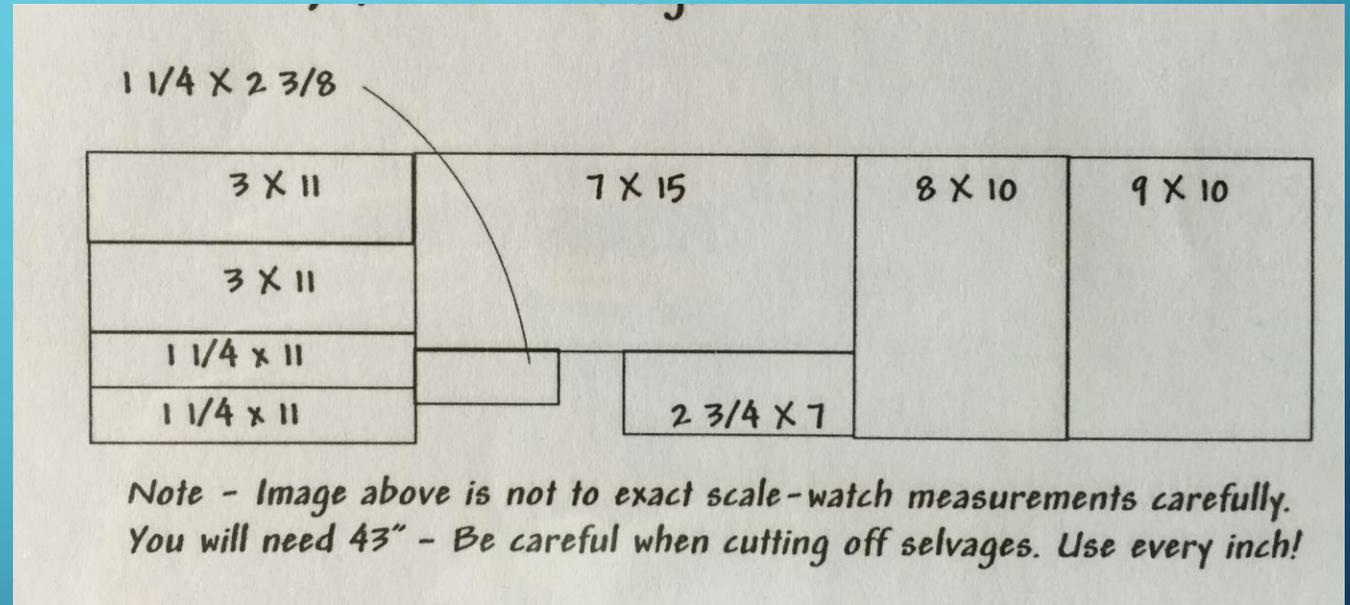
From the blue background fabric we need a 43" X 10" strip. Your strip is 11" wide, don't cut it down to start. Remove the selvage from one edge with a clean cut, be skimpy with that cut.

Next cut a 9"x10" rectangle and a 8"x10" rectangle.



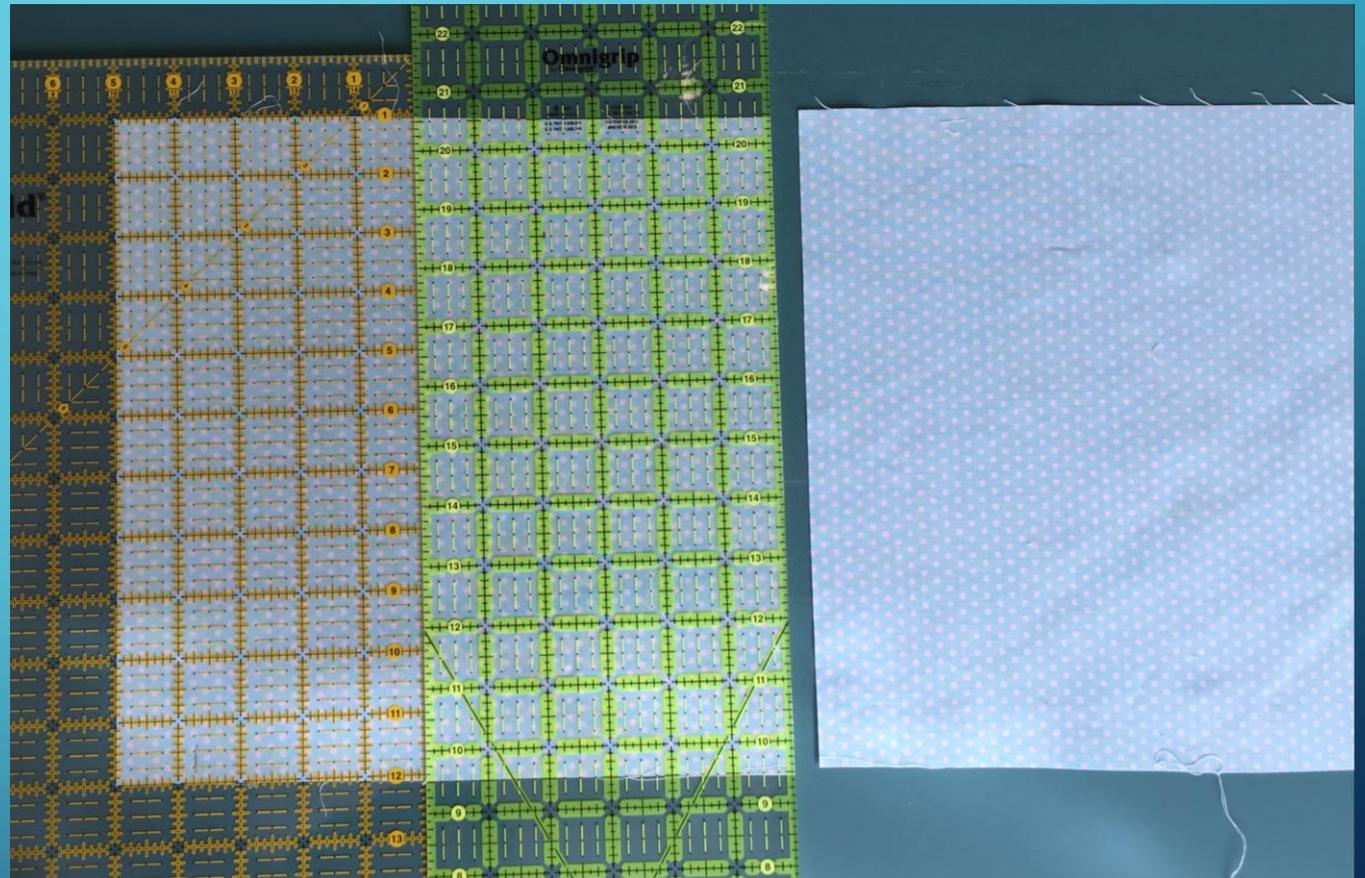
WARNING!!!!

The diagram for the background in the pattern has the height measurement first sometimes and then switches on the two right cuts to the width measurement first. Be very careful when you cut this or you will not have enough fabric.



From the background cut two sections,
one 15" wide and one 11" wide.

If you don't have a 15" ruler, you can
put two rulers up next to each other (or
use the lines on your mat).

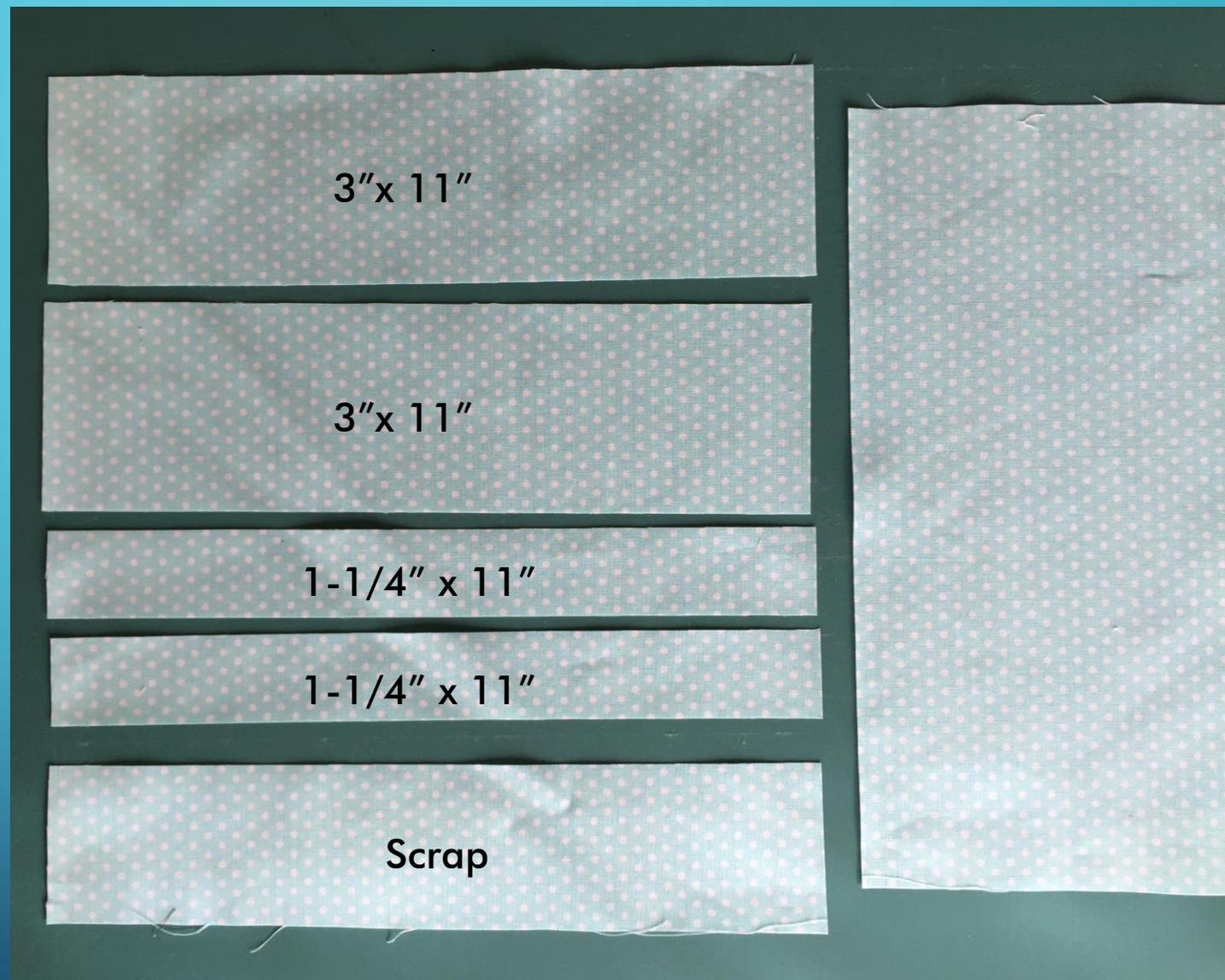


From the 11" wide piece cut:

Two 3" x 11" strips

And

Two 1-1/4" x 11" strips

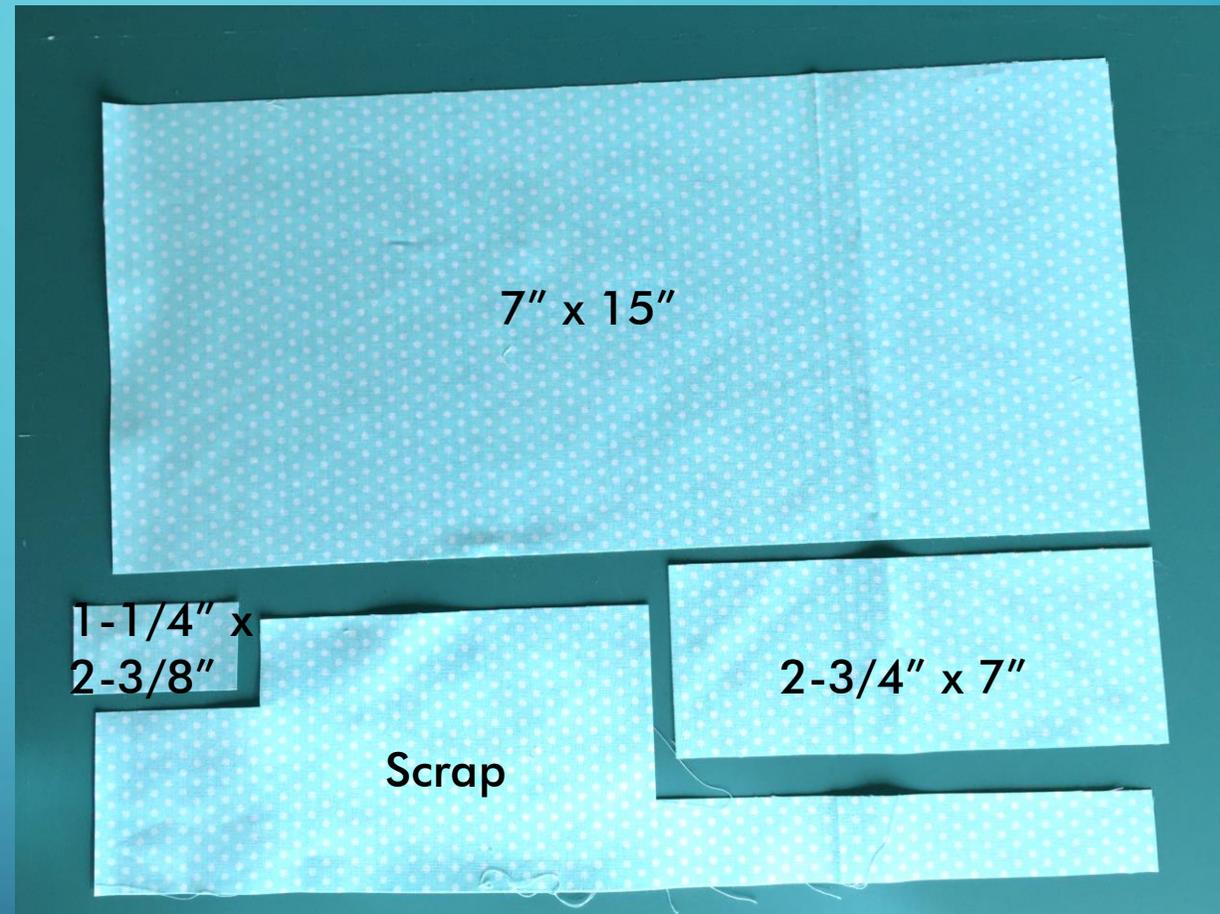


From the 15" wide background strip,
cut the following:

One 7" x 15" rectangle

One 2-3/4" x 7" rectangle

One 1-1/4" x 2-3/8" rectangle



Sew a 1-1/4" x 7" brown floral strip to both sides of the 1-1/4" x 7" white strip.

Press the seams toward the brown.

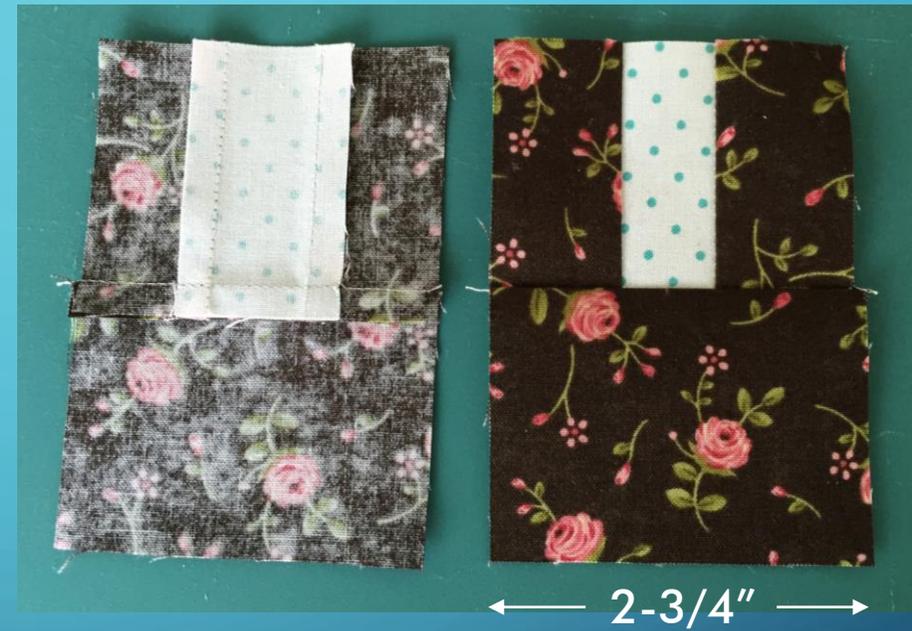


Subcut into three 2-1/8" pieces



Sew a 2-1/4" x 2-3/4" brown floral rectangle to the bottom of two of the sections cut in the previous step

Press toward the brown floral



Stitch the pink door unit between the two window units.

Press the seams toward the door.

This unit should be 6-1/2" wide.



Sew the remaining two $2\frac{1}{4}'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$ brown floral rectangles to the top and bottom of the remaining window unit.

This unit should now measure $5\frac{5}{8}'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$

NOTE: the pattern says $5\frac{7}{8}''$, this is incorrect.



Stitch the 9" long strips of brown floral print to both sides of the 9" white window strip.

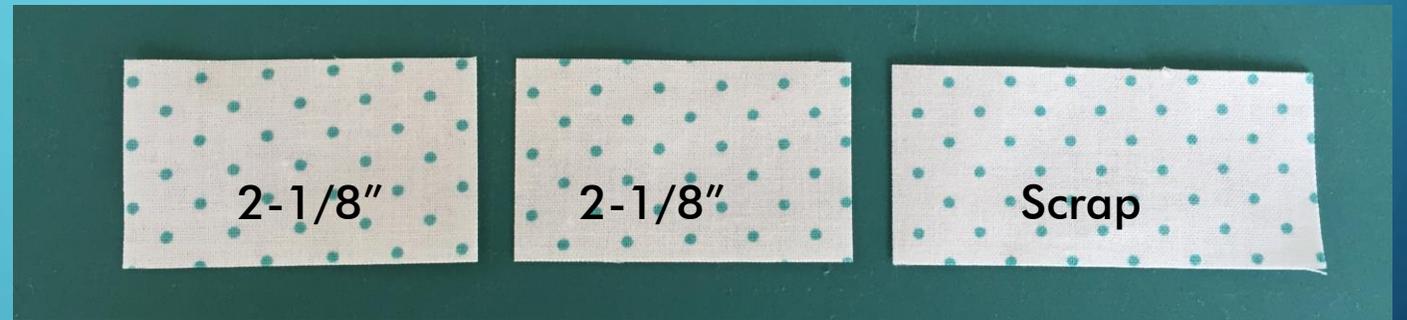
Press the seams toward the brown.



Cut four 2-1/8 sections from this strip.



From the remaining window strip, cut
two 2-1/8" pieces



Arrange the window units in two sets.
The wider strips of brown should be
toward the center and a single white
unit between them.

Press the seams toward the brown.

These units should be 6-1/2" wide.



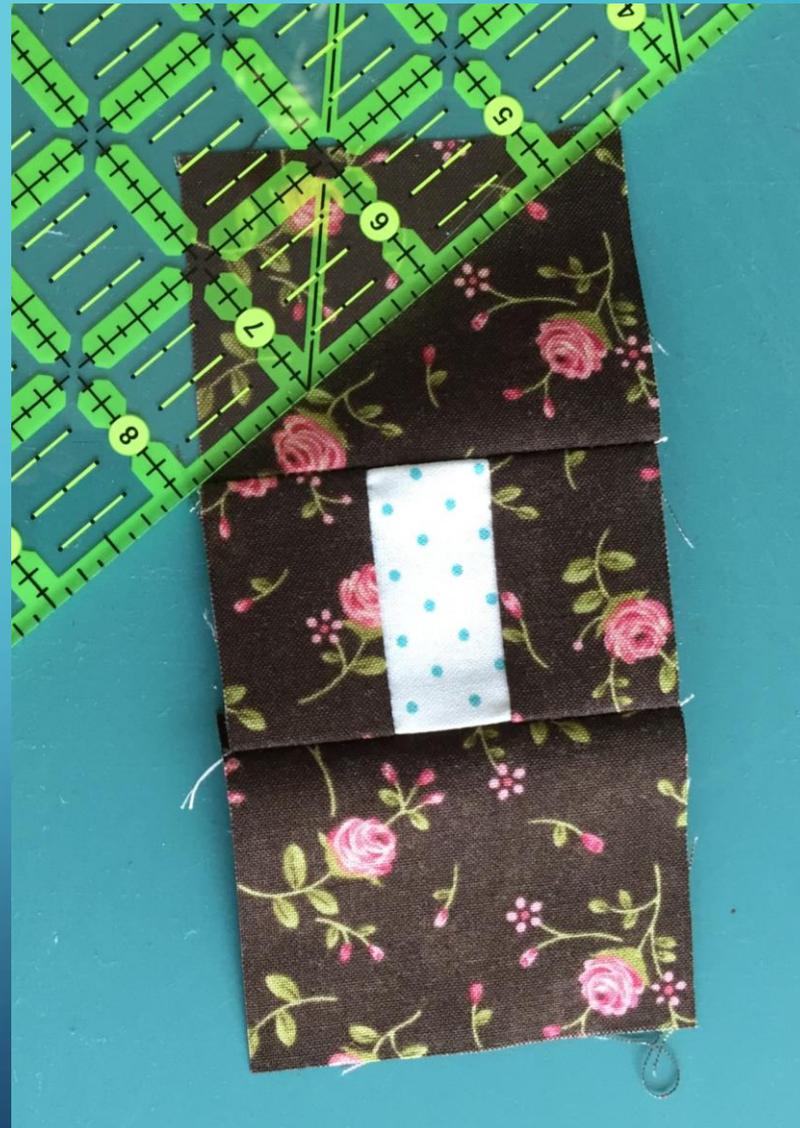
To the top of each of the rows containing windows, stitch a brown floral 1-1/4" x 6-1/2" strip.

Press the seams toward the brown floral strips.



Align a ruler with the top right corner of the single window unit and the seam (which should be 2" from the top) on the left.

Cut.



The unit should now look like this.



Sew the $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide red roof strip to the top of this "lean to" unit.



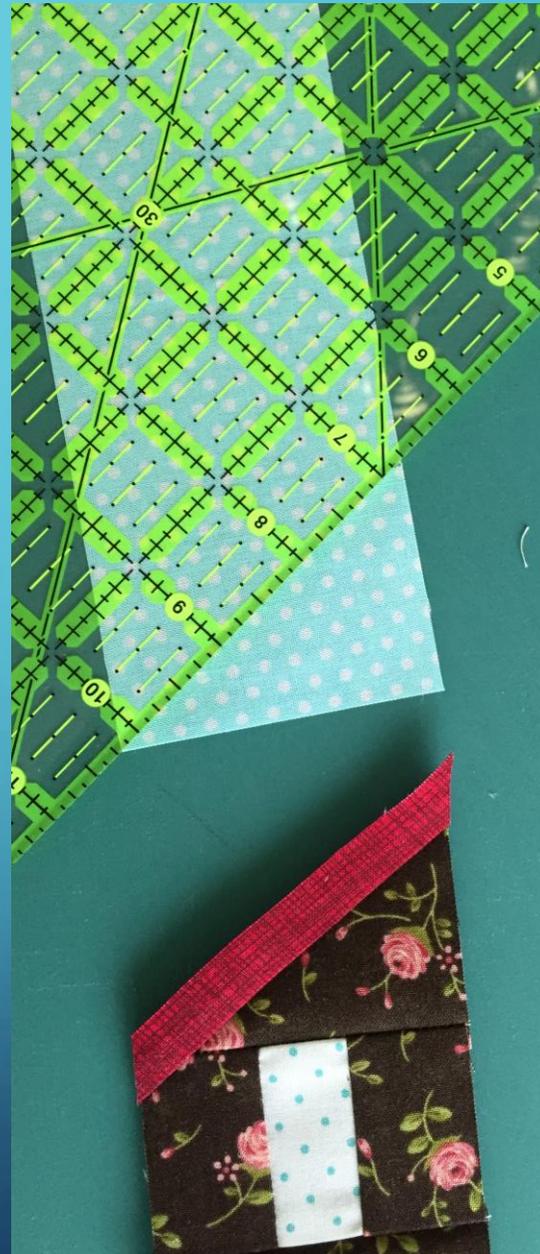
Trim the roof section even with the edges of the rest of the unit.



Make a mark 2" from the bottom right corner of the 2-3/4" x 7" background strip.



Align the ruler with the 2" mark and the bottom left corner and cut.



Sew the background piece to the lean to portion of the house. To get it to line up properly you will need to offset the pieces as shown. The $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam should begin in the "V" of the two pieces.



Press toward the roof.

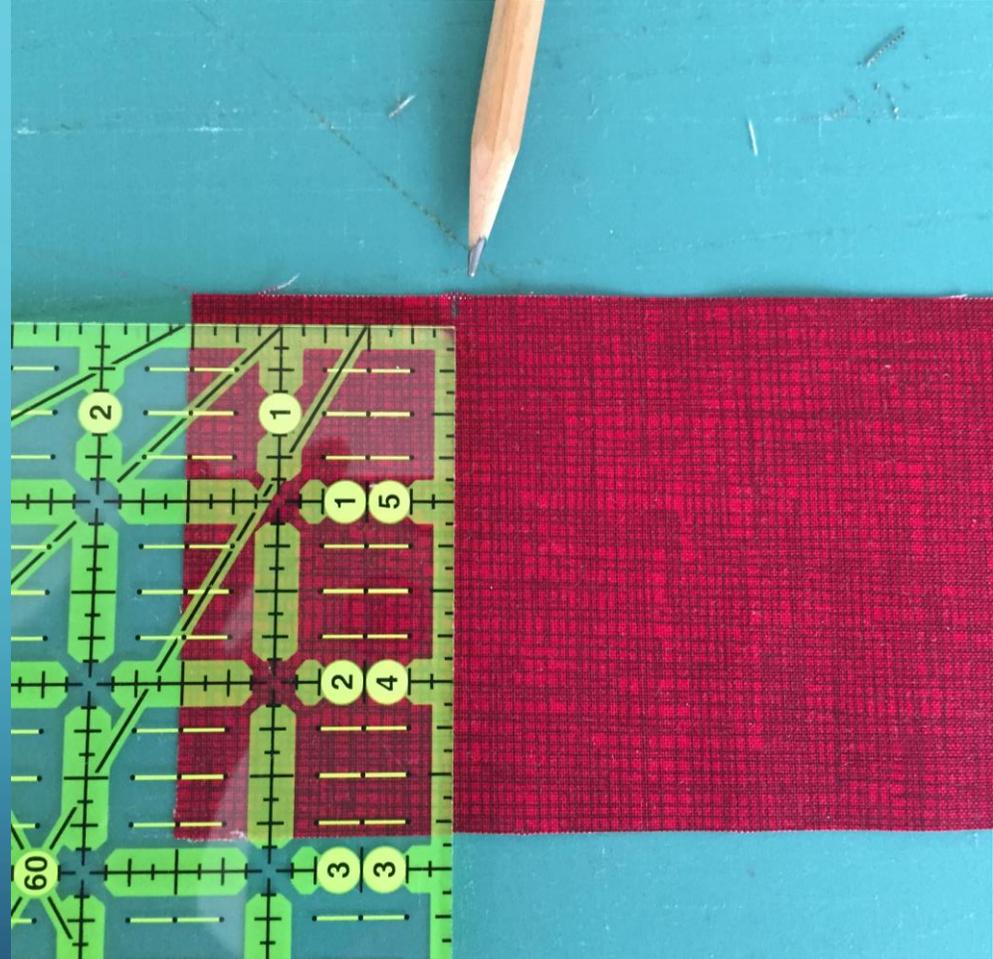


Stitch the “Lean to” section to the left side of the main house. Align the bottom edge and the seams in the window sections. The background will extend beyond the top.

Press toward the “lean to”.

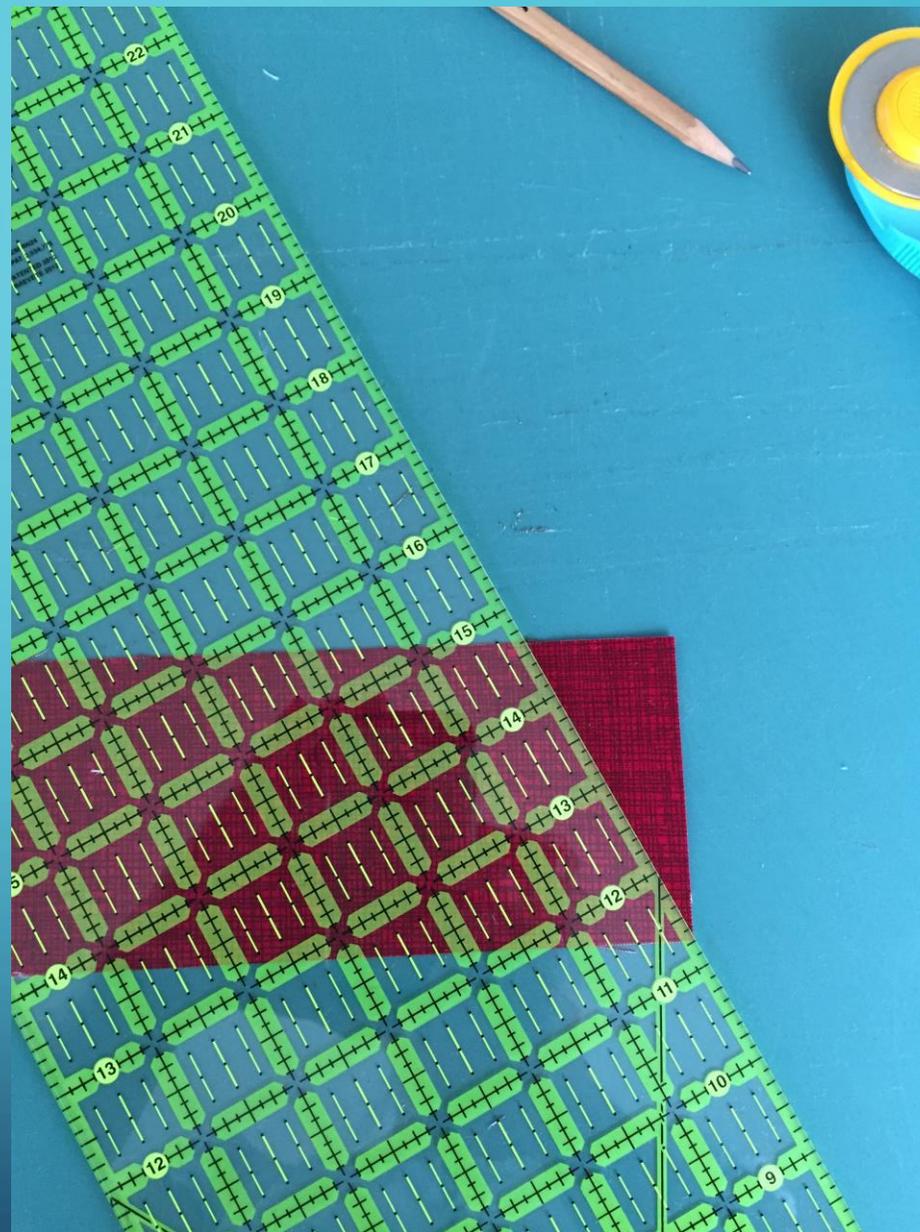


Make a mark 1-1/2" in from the top corner on both sides of the roof.

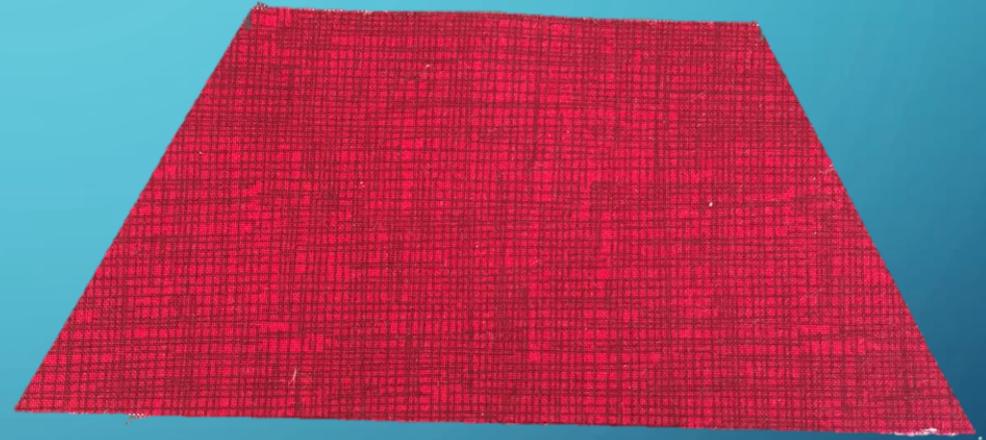


Align a ruler with the mark and the bottom corner.

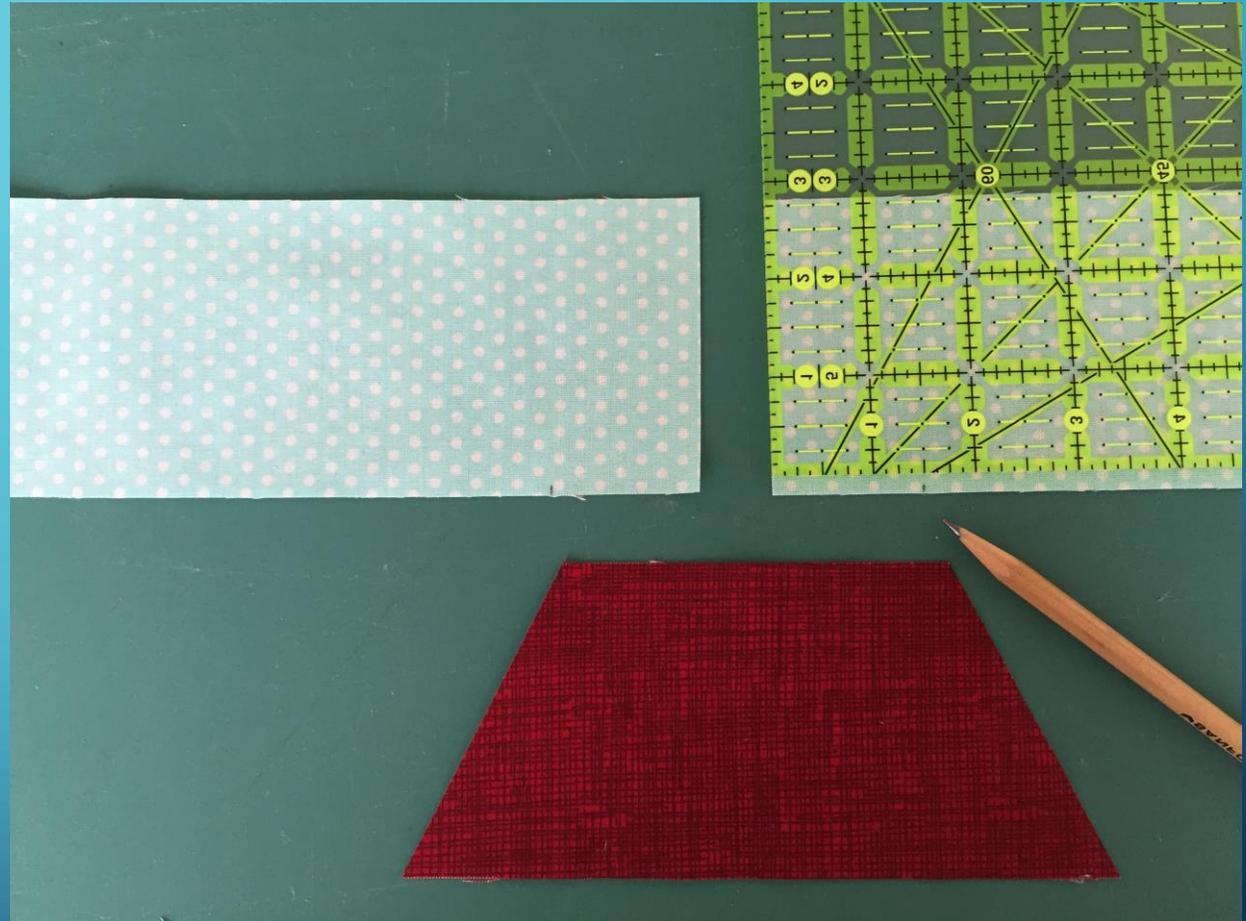
Cut.



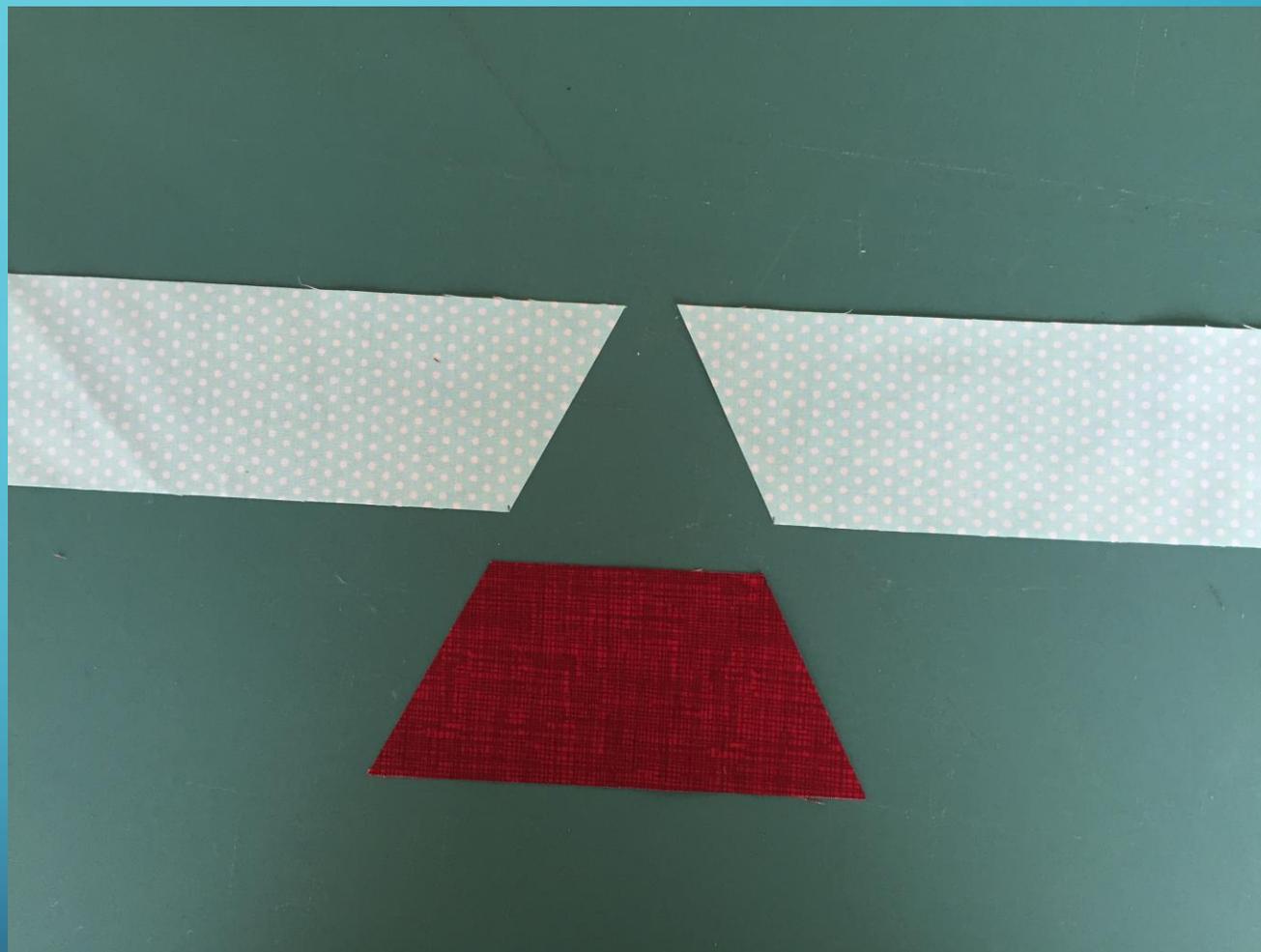
Once the roof has been cut on both sides the roof will look like this.



Take the two 3" x 11" background pieces and place them so they "meet" in the center. Make a mark 1-1/2" inches in from the lower corner (these units need to be mirror images).



Align a ruler with the upper center corners and the marks and cut. You should have two units as shown so they can be sewn to the roof unit.



Stitch the background strips to the roof.
Once again offset so things will line up properly.



Press the seams toward the background.





Stitch a 1-1/4" x 11" background strip to one side of each brown chimney square. Join these two sections with the 1-1/4" x 2-3/8" background piece between them.

Press the seams toward the chimney pieces.

The edges of the chimney should line up with the top corners of the roof once a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance has been stitched.



I recommend setting your machine to its longest straight stitch and basting just where the chimney and roof meet. If you are happy with the alignment then stitch again with a regular length stitch.

The outside edges will not match.



Press the seam toward the roof section.



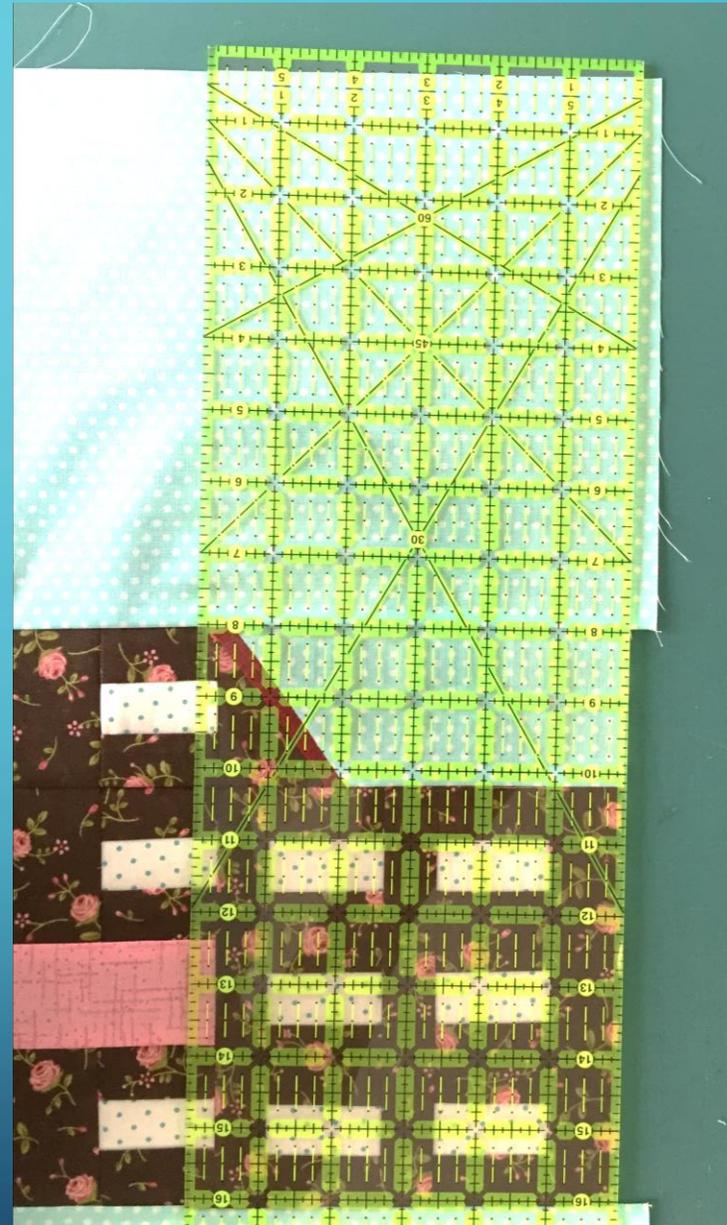
Stitch the 10" x 9" rectangle to the right side of the house unit and the 10" x 8" rectangle to the left side.

The rectangles are taller than the house unit. Just stitch them on and trim after.



Press the seams toward the background.

Line up a ruler with the top and bottom edges of the house and trim any excess from the top and bottom of the background rectangles.



Add the roof section to the top of the house section. Once again the alignment will be the roof and the edge of the house (we don't want house sticking out beyond the roof).

You will need to take into account the $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance when determining proper alignment.



I chose to baste again just along where the roof and house meet. When satisfied with the alignment, stitch with a regular stitch length.



Press the seam down toward the house unit. Notice the outside edges do not line up. Do not try to correct that at this point.

This completes this month's homework.

Be sure to keep the last piece of background in a safe place, it will be needed later.

