Reusable Lunch Bag

Who wants to take a boring paper bag to school -- just to throw away as soon as the bell rings -- when you can create a beautiful reusable lunch bag out of fleece? Just grab the sewing machine and some simple supplies to help your child make a bag she'll be proud to show off at lunch time.

What You Need:

- Two pieces of polar fleece (10'' x 12'')
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Marker
- Sewing pins
- Thread
- Sewing machine

What You Do:

1. Have your child stack the two pieces of polar fleece on top of one another.
2. Help her use sewing pins to keep them together.
3. Let her use a ruler to measure a 1 ½'' x 1 ½'' square from the bottom left and right corners of the polar fleece pieces. (See template.)
4. Have her mark the dimensions of the square with a marker.
5. Let your child use scissors to cut out these squares.
6. Help her sew the the two sides of the stacked polar fleeces.
7. Have your child pinch the bottom left corner so that the side seam and the bottom seam meet.
8. Sew along this line.
9. Pinch and sew the bottom right corner as well.
10. Let your child use scissors to trim any excess threads.
11. Help her turn the entire bag inside and out -- this way the seams won't show.
12. She's ready to fill her reusable lunch bag with some yummy snacks!

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