### Karen Eckmeier's "HAPPY VILLAGES™" WORKSHOP

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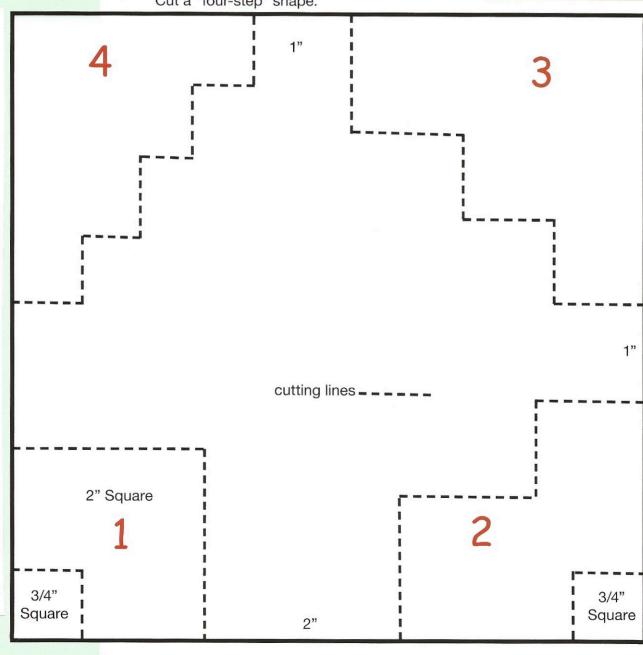
# **Preparation for Collage**

Divide the ten 6½" squares into two stacks of five (since cutting through 10 fabrics at the same time is difficult). The order and colors in each stack is not important. Set the ten 6½" x 2" rectangles aside to be used later for rooftops. Refer to the template below for the first set of cutting instructions. Create a paper or plastic template and mark the cutting lines with chalk or cut free-hand.

#### Cutting Step Shapes 1 - 4 and the 3/4" squares:

- Starting at the bottom left corner, use scissors to cut an approximate 2" square. From that square cut a 34" square.
- Working counterclockwise, cut a "two-step" shape and an additional 3/4" square from its corner.
- Cut a "three-step" shape.
- Cut a "four-step" shape.



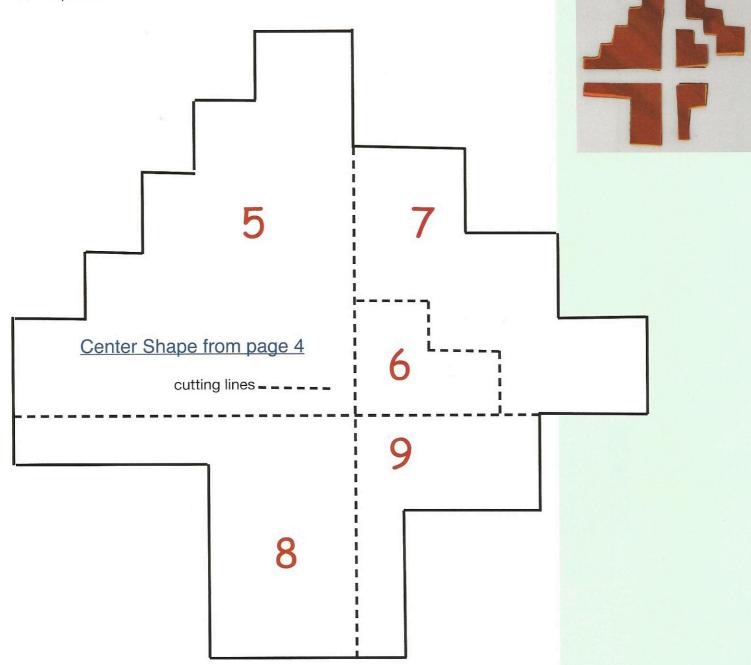


#### Cutting Step Shapes 5 - 9:

Use the center shape from page 4 and follow the cutting lines. The cutting order is up to you.

You should now have a total of 9 different step shapes plus the two piles of 3/4" squares.

Repeat the cutting sequence for step shapes 1 - 9 with the second stack of five 6½" squares.



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