



## Fleece Blanket

### Step-by-Step Directions

*Making a fleece blanket is as simple as 1, 2, 3!*

Our blankets are a single layer with TWO OPPOSITE sides fringed and tied.

(\*Caseworkers prefer single layer over the double fleece blankets as they can easily give them to toddlers on up to teenagers.)

**1.** Folding the fleece in half will allow you to cut fringe **IN BOTH ENDS AT ONE TIME**. Line up the edges and use the fringe template to start cutting your fringe. \*If you hold the scissors in your RIGHT hand, start cutting the fringe on the LEFT side, moving to the right. If you hold the scissors in your LEFT hand, start cutting the fringe on the RIGHT side, moving to your left. **The fringe should be 1" wide by 4" long.**

**2.** Once you have the entire side fringed, open the blanket and you are ready to tie a knot in each piece of fringe. Take one piece of fringe and put a simple knot in it close to the blanket – or “tie it to itself.” **If you have 50 pieces of fringe, you should end up with 50 knots.** Do not tie two pieces of fringe together. If you do so, the fringed ends of your blanket will be pulled into the center, and the blanket will not lie smooth, square and relaxed.

**3.** Sign your first name on our special tag after the heart that says “**Handmade by.**” This will show the child in foster care who receives your blanket that someone truly made this **“just for them!”**



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