

Normally reserved  
for the kiddos,  
fresh colors and a  
modern approach  
give felt a 21<sup>st</sup>  
century makeover.



We felt  
everything from

**QUIRKY  
PILLOWS**

to functional

**STORAGE  
CUBES**

to absolutely amazing

**GEOMETRIC  
RUGS...**

just see  
what felt can do for you!

felt goes urban

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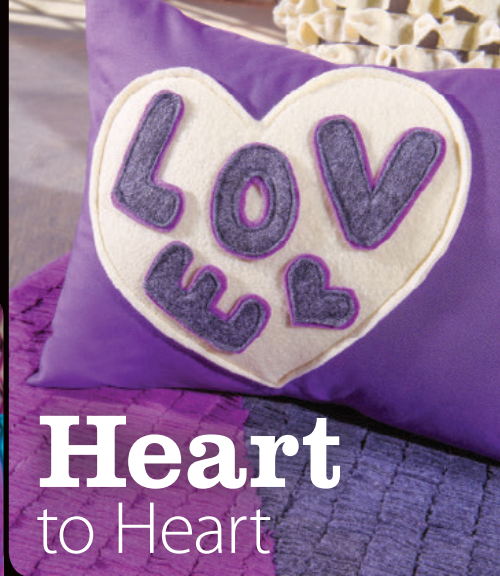


➤ Facial hair can turn a ho-hum pillow into a trendy accent piece. And since this one couldn't seem to grow any, we helped things along with a trio of mustache-shaped felt appliqués. Stick to simple silhouettes for this look, and then simply stitch, glue or fuse the cutouts to the front panel of the pillow cover.

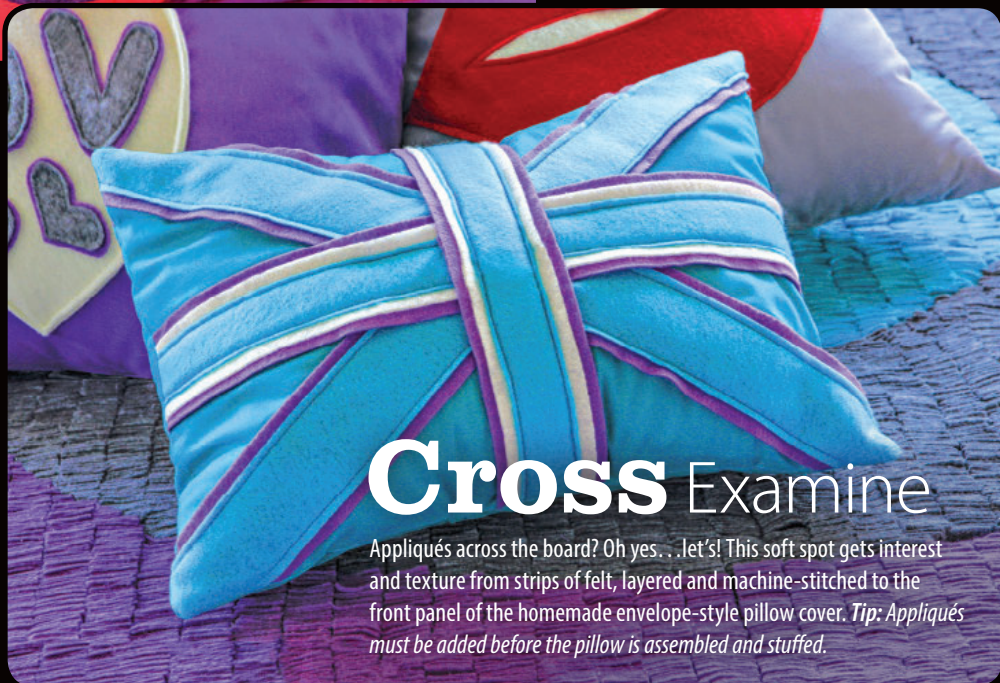
## Soft Stache



## Heart to Heart



⤴ We're all about the layers, so to make this lovey-dovey look, we piled on three shades of felt. The heart came first—it's stitched to the front of the pillow. Then came the double-decker letters—we stitched them together and glued them to the heart. **Tip:** We used two layers of white felt for the heart. That kept the dark purple pillow fabric from showing through. Scroll to page 13 for the template.



## Cross Examine

Appliqués across the board? Oh yes...let's! This soft spot gets interest and texture from strips of felt, layered and machine-stitched to the front panel of the homemade envelope-style pillow cover. **Tip:** Appliqués must be added before the pillow is assembled and stuffed.





# Rug

Off

Round and round the rug we go—with rows of fabulous felt! We built this piece on a circle of sturdy canvas fabric.

*Tip:* Draw the design right onto the fabric before you start. We cut 2" x 1" strips of felt. Then we folded them in half and adhere them on with hot glue.





# Make Your Presence **Felt**



Felt has a kid-stuff reputation, but it won't when you've whipped up this crafty-meets-mod space. It's a space that's all grown up from floor to ceiling, and you can make it your own with help from our basic felt squares—yep, even the rug!



# Piece

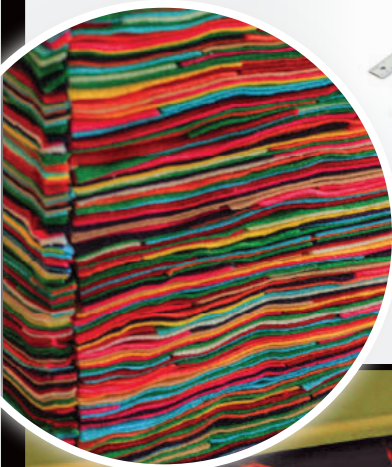
by Piece



Warm and wooly felt is the perfect material for this modern take on patchworks of the past. Lots of purple felt squares, zigzag-stitched together, form the base of this quirky quilt. Cut random shapes and sizes out of brightly colored felt sheets and machine-stitch them on in any pattern you like. Then back the blanket with some coordinating fabric and add a pom-pom trim for flair. **Tip:** You can use fusible interfacing to stabilize the felt. Simply follow the manufacturer's instructions to apply.

Ready to tackle this project lock, stock and box? There's no hard and fast rules, but we've got a tip or two to get you started.

- Keep your strips on the straight and narrow with a rotary cutter and a gridded craft mat. Cut strips 1/2" wide.
- Don't try to apply strips individually. Pre-stack the felt a section at a time, using craft glue to adhere—you can use straight pins to keep the stack together while the glue dries.
- Break out the hot glue when it's time to adhere the stacks to the cube.




# Stack It Up

## Square Deal

A pane of glass, two wooden storage cubes and a whole lotta felt. It all adds up to a fabulous, make-mine-mod coffee table. We covered the basic white squares—they're sold in the Scrapbooking Department—with hand-cut felt strips for this look. But instead of laying them flat, we stacked them for a little get-your-groove-on texture.





We felt like making art, so what better way than to use lots of felt! Armed with canvas, corkboard and plenty of felt, we made a dramatic statement with our eclectic artwork.

# Artwork

Never Felt Better

# Full Circle Art

Take your felting inspiration to the canvas! Simply cut out different sizes of felt circles in a plethora of colors and go to town with the design of your choice. To add extra interest, embellish with a variety of decorative stitches. Then just hot glue the shapes to the canvas.

## Primarily Felt

Off-the-shelf canvas can be a bit too glaring in its original state. To tone down the glare, repaint the canvas a crisp white before beginning your projects to give your eclectic artwork a chance to shine.





# A Piece of the Puzzle

Jazz up an ordinary bulletin board by turning it into a puzzle. Simply draw puzzle pieces onto felt sheets, cut them out and hot glue them to the board. To make matching pins, cover large buttons with felt and hot glue standard pushpins to the back.



Get those memos, photos and to-do lists off the desktop and onto the wall with this quirky corkboard that's a cinch to piece together. And the best part of this puzzle?

No itty-bitty pieces scattered all over the kitchen table! Templates for this project can be found on pages 14-17.

## Pleasantly Puzzled





Felt gets functional with this show-stopping piece. Once you master the piece-of-cake technique, you'll be on your way to creating a felt masterpiece that will wow everyone who steps into your home.

## Cut a **Rug**

### A Closer **Look**

✎ To save space and make your rug easy to store while you're working, build the rug in small sections at a time. Then arrange the sections into your desired pattern and hot glue them all together.







## Fill Me In

- ⤴ Once your trendy tapestry is put together, it's time to fill in the gaps. Create some filler pieces by making small coils, forming them into shapes that fit the gaps and gluing them into the empty spaces.

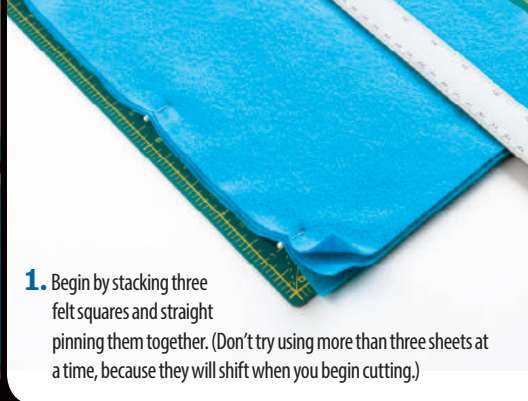


## Line Up

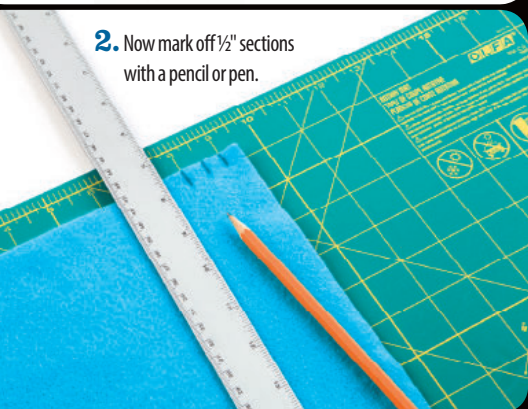
- ⤴ We'll let you in on a little secret. As you work, apply the hot glue sparingly and toward the bottom of the felt strips to keep the glue from squeezing out. And as your sections get bigger, you'll find it easier to apply the hot glue directly onto the completed portions rather than on the individual strips.

## supplies

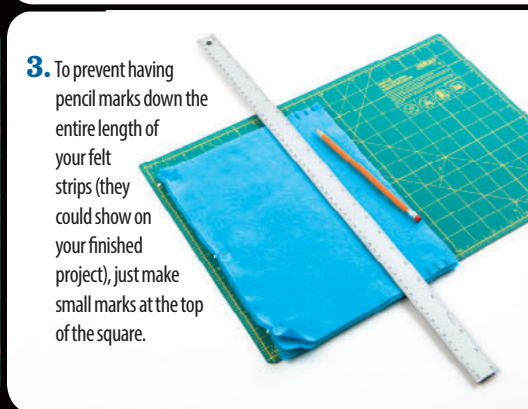
- Pencil or pen
- Ruler
- Cutting Mat
- Hot Glue Gun and Glue Sticks
- Felt Squares
- Rotary Cutter
- Scissors
- Straight Pins



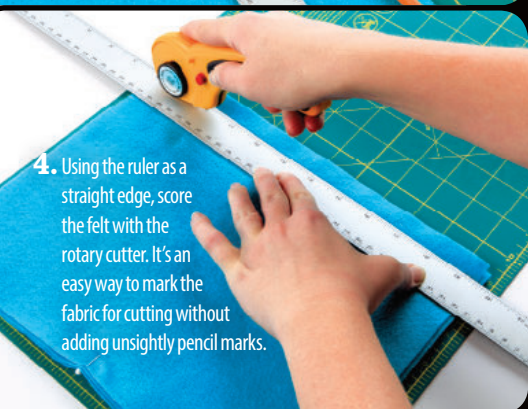
- 1.** Begin by stacking three felt squares and straight pinning them together. (Don't try using more than three sheets at a time, because they will shift when you begin cutting.)



- 2.** Now mark off 1/2" sections with a pencil or pen.



- 3.** To prevent having pencil marks down the entire length of your felt strips (they could show on your finished project), just make small marks at the top of the square.



- 4.** Using the ruler as a straight edge, score the felt with the rotary cutter. It's an easy way to mark the fabric for cutting without adding unsightly pencil marks.



- 5.** Now use scissors to cut the strips along the groove you made with the rotary cutter.



- 6.** Place a dab of glue at one end of the felt strip and begin rolling it into a coil.

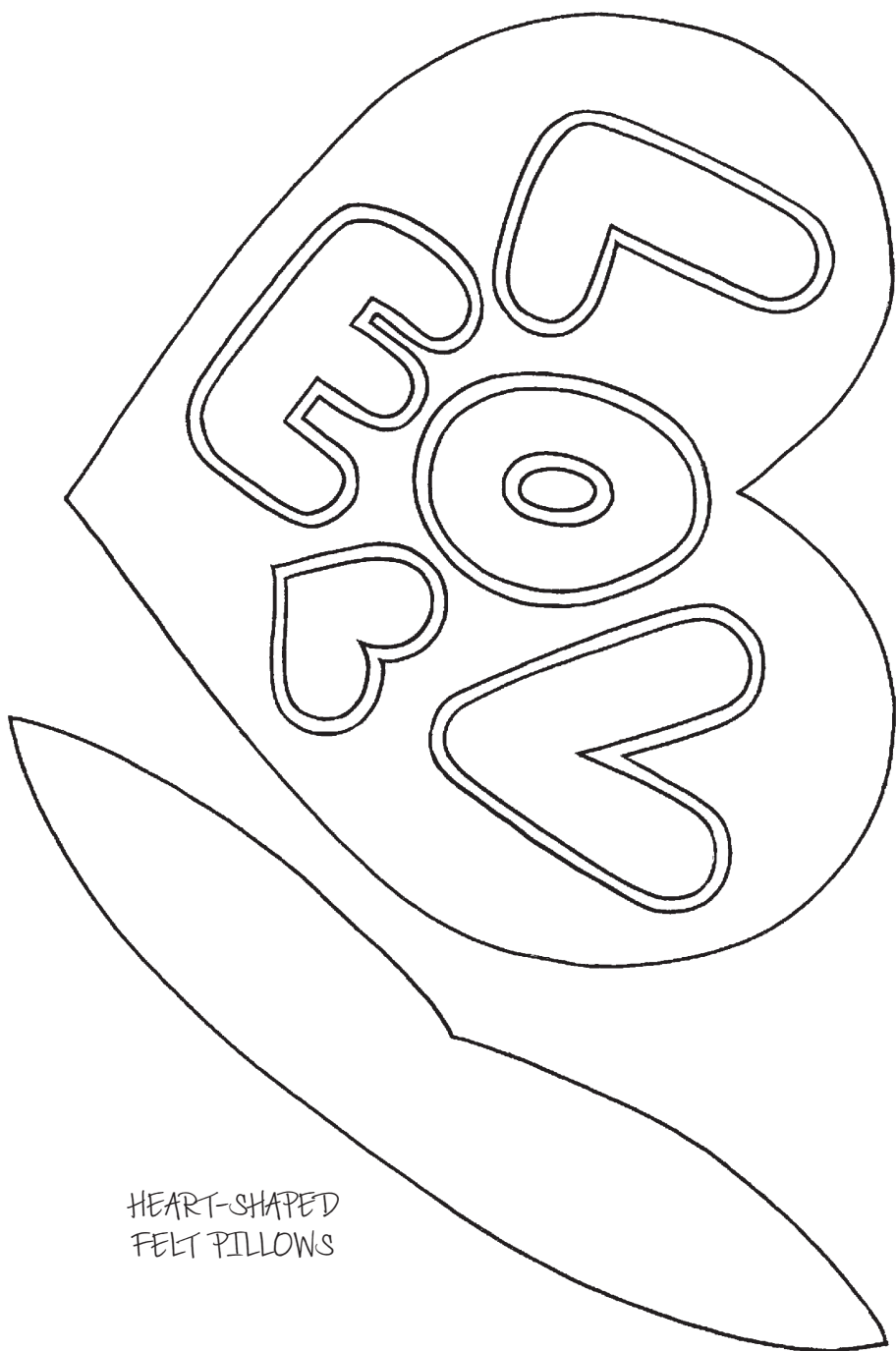


- 7.** Roll the felt strip into a coil, adding more glue as needed. Continue wrapping additional strips around the coil to create your rug segments.



# Templates

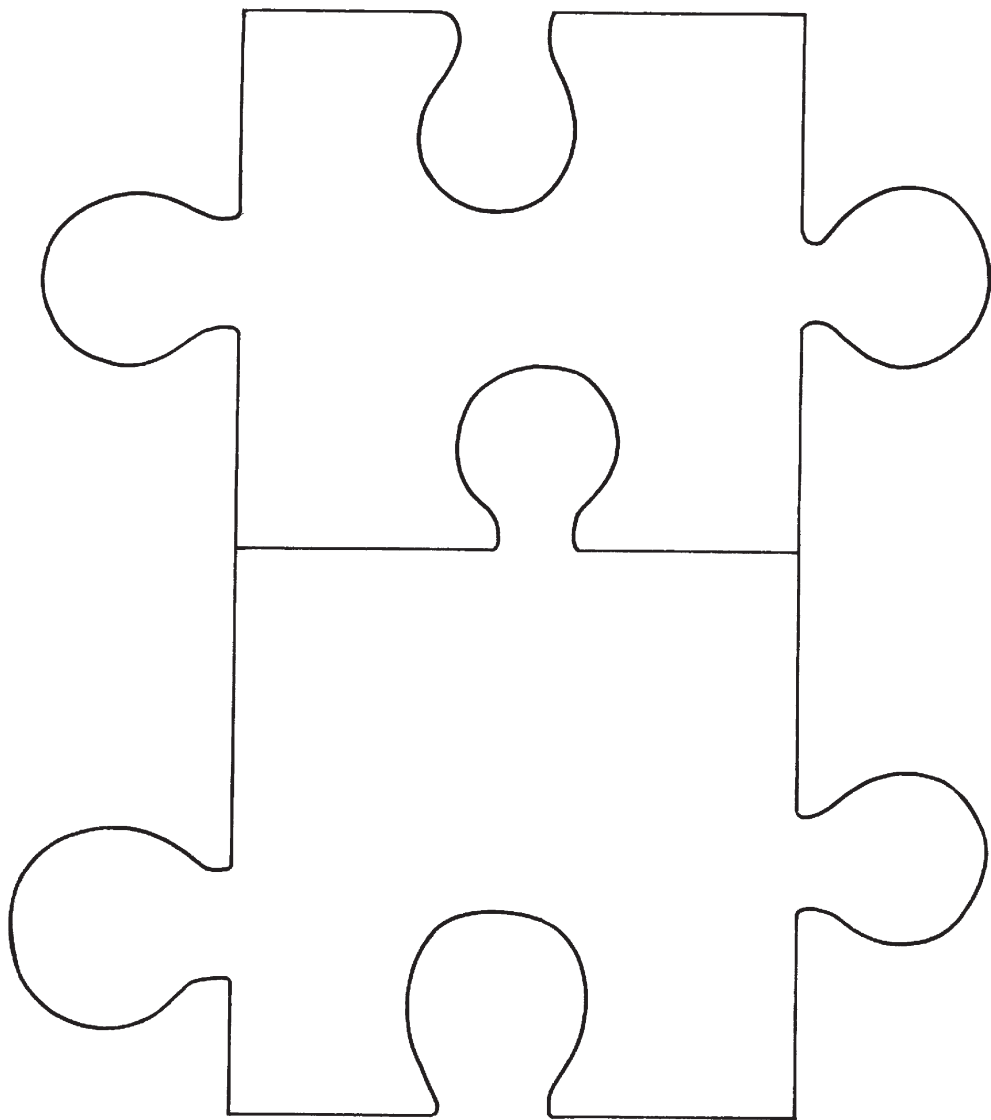
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HEART-SHAPED  
FELT PILLOWS

# Templates

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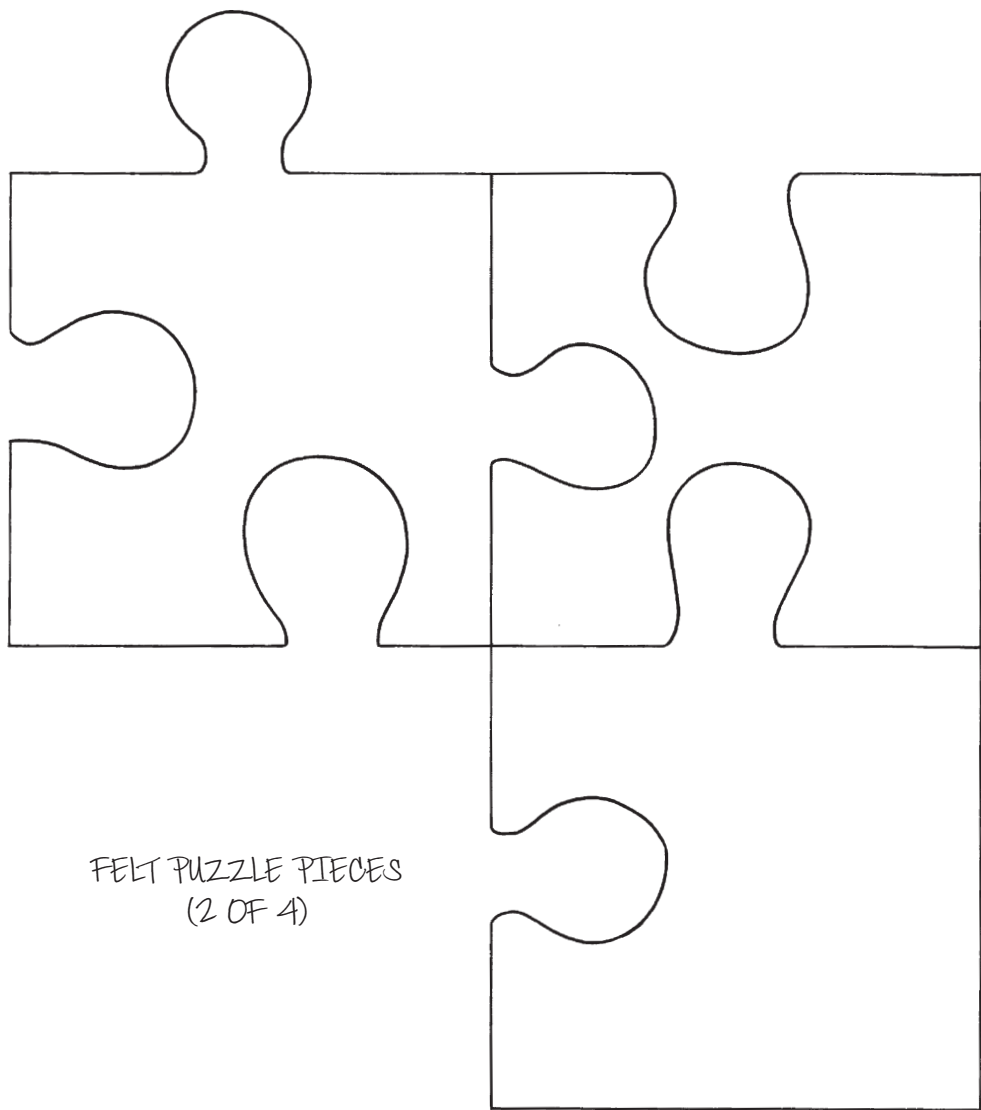


FELT PUZZLE PIECES (1 OF 4)



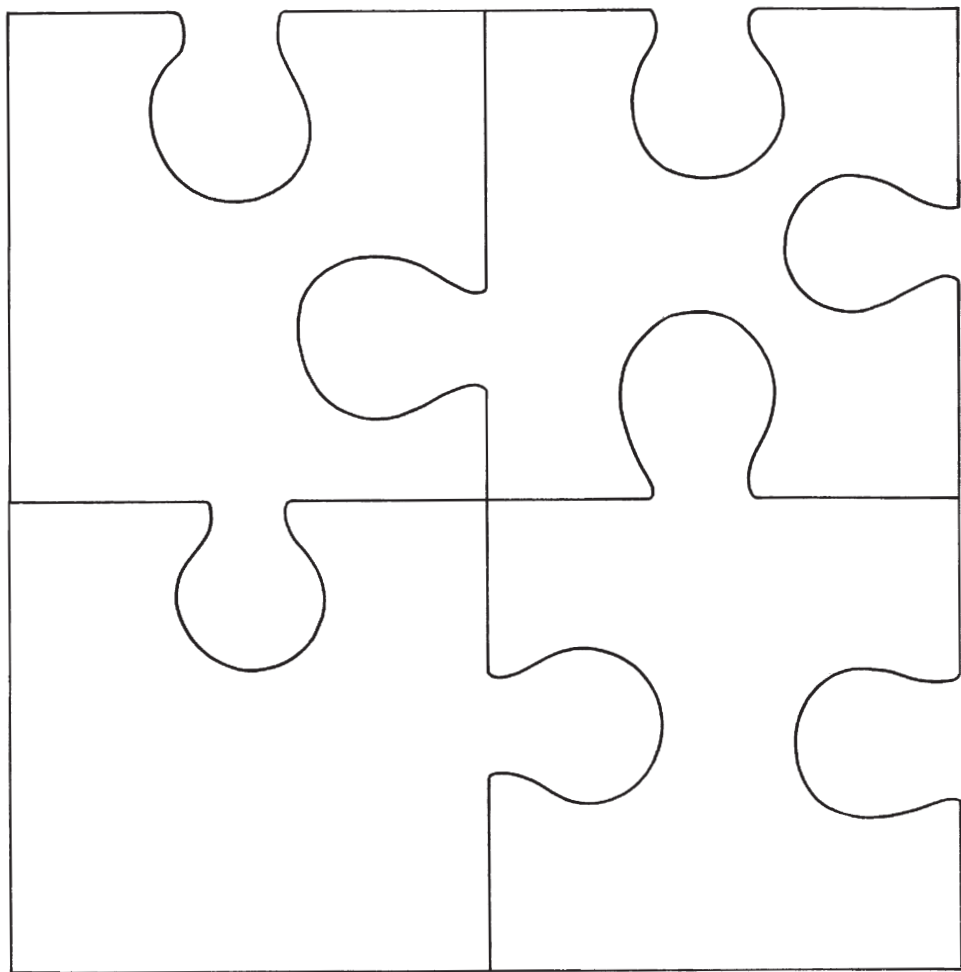
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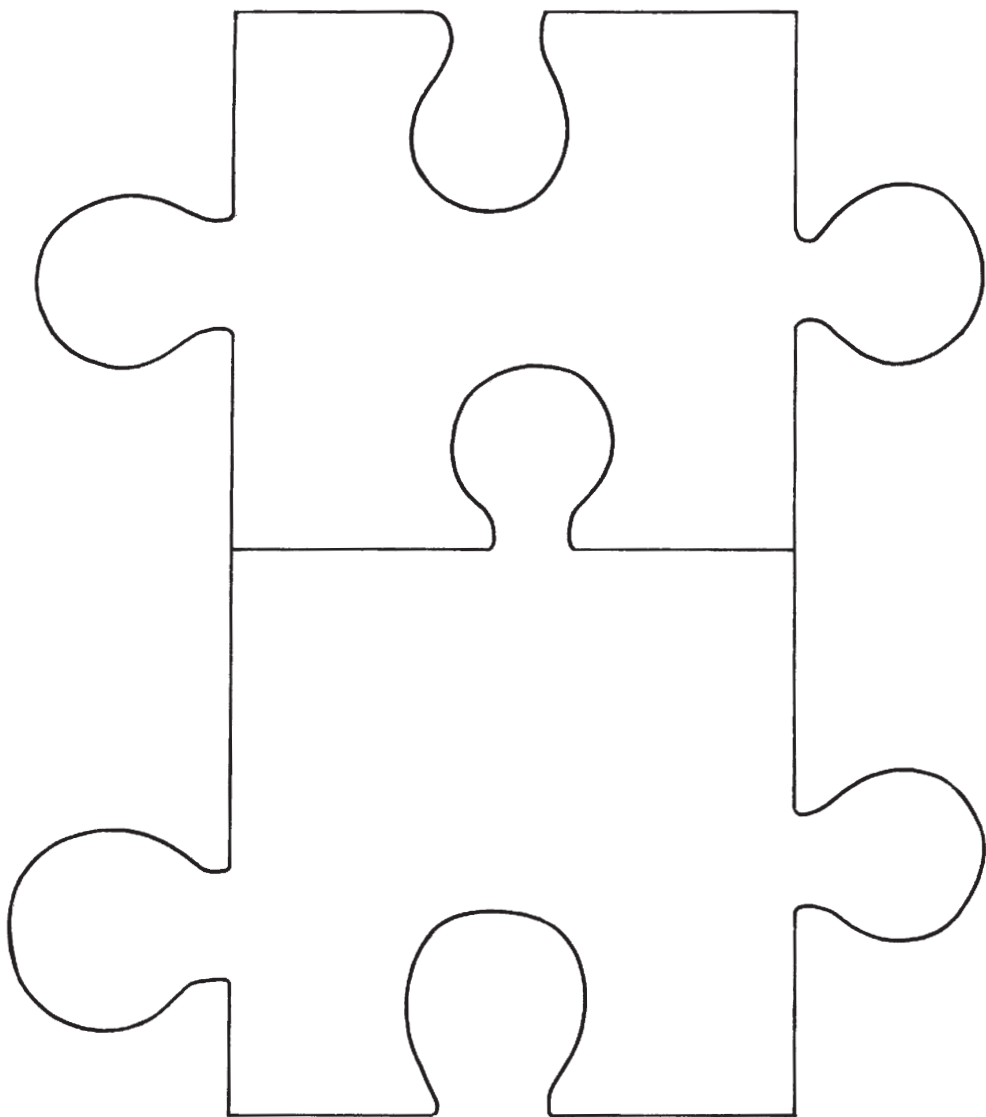


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FELT PUZZLE PIECES (4 OF 4)