

# CELEBRATE READING PILLOW

#### **SMALL PILLOW COVER**

Fits a 16" pillow form

#### **SUPPLIES**

- ½ yard pillow front fabric
- ½ yard pocket fabric
- ½ yard backing fabric\*
- ¾ yard pillow back fabric
- 1/4 yard binding
- 17" square of batting

## **OPTIONAL SMALL PILLOW INSERT**

- ½ yard muslin
- Fiberfill

## LARGE PILLOW COVER

Fits an 18" pillow form

#### **SUPPLIES**

- ¾ yard pillow front fabric
- ¾ yard pocket fabric
- 3/4 yard backing fabric\*
- ¾ yard pillow back fabric
- ¼ yard binding
- 19" square of batting

## **OPTIONAL LARGE PILLOW INSERT**

- ¾ yard muslin
- Fiberfill

\*NOTE: The backing fabric will be on the inside of the pillow cover.

#### CUT

#### Small Pillow Cover

From both the pillow front fabric and backing fabric, cut a 17" strip across the width of the fabric. Subcut a 17" square from each.

From the pocket fabric, cut a 16" strip across the width of the fabric. Subcut a 16" square.

From the pillow back fabric, cut a 21" strip across the width of the fabric. Subcut (2) 21" x 16" rectangles.

## Large Pillow Cover

From both the pillow front fabric and backing fabric, cut a 19" strip across the width of the fabric. Subcut a 19" square from each.

From the pocket fabric, cut a 18" strip across the width of the fabric. Subcut a 18" square.

From the pillow back fabric, cut a 23" strip across the width of the fabric. Subcut (2) 23" x 18" rectangles.

## PILLOW COVER CONSTRUCTION

Layer the backing square face down, then the batting, followed by the pillow front square face up. Baste, then quilt as desired. Trim to 16" for the small pillow cover and 18" for the large pillow cover. **A** 

Fold the pocket square in half, wrong sides together, and press. Lay the folded square atop the quilted square as shown. Baste ½" from the edge along 1 side, across the bottom, and up the other side. Measure and mark 6" from 1 side. Sew along the marked line, backstitching at the top twice to create the divided pocket. Set aside for the moment. **B** 

Fold each pillow back rectangle in half and topstitch along the folded edge. **C** 

Lay your pillow top face down. Place the folded pillow back rectangles on top and overlap them as shown. **D** 

Pin or baste as needed and add binding to complete your pillow cover. Grab your favorite book and flashlight, then snuggle up for a fantastic read!

#### **OPTIONAL PILLOW INSERT**

Don't have a pillow form handy? From your muslin, cut (2) 17" squares for the small pillow, or (2) 19" squares for the large pillow. Sew the squares together around the perimeter using a ½" seam allowance, right sides facing. Leave an opening about 4-6" wide for turning. Clip the corners and turn right side out. Stuff the pillow with fiberfill and whipstitch the opening closed.









