



## **ELEMENTARY (Quilt-As-You-Go) QUILT**

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Now I am ready to sew these blocks together. I have used my digital camera to take a picture of this configuration so I know where all my blocks need to go.

Quilters usually sew in rows, so I would sew these two blocks together, and then add that block. I would sew these two and then add that block. And I would sew these two and then add that block. Once I have this row completed, I am going to sew it to this row and then the last row I will sew onto this section.

So to speed up this process instead of walking back and forth every time, I like to put right sides together, and I am holding in my right hand the spot that needs to be sewn. Sometimes, I just walk over to my sewing machine holding it in my right hand and I know that's where the seam is going to go. But other times I like to pin that. The next section that I am going to be sewing, put right sides together. And this third section that I am going to be pinning, I am going to put right sides together. When I take this over to the machine, I know that if I leave everything lined up like this, that this is the seam I am going to sew. If I am little worried about that, then I am going to pin each one of these sections.

To sew these blocks together, I can just pick them up because I brought them over here with the seam that needs to be sewn. I can just pick them up and put them through. Or, beforehand, I can take some pins and pin the edges, I usually don't like to pin unless I have to match seams and since I am not matching any seams here, I usually don't pin, but that's up to you. I have got these blocks pinned at either end. I am checking so see if that is lined up and I am going to come up to my sewing machine. Now I am not sewing  $\frac{1}{4}$  (quarter) inch. On my sewing machine, the  $\frac{1}{4}$  (quarter) inch line is right here, this is the  $\frac{3}{8}$  (three-eighths) inch line and this is the  $\frac{1}{2}$  (half) inch line. So if I am going to sew this seam, I need to make sure where my  $\frac{1}{2}$  (half) inch line is. Sometimes I like to mark that with a piece of tape so I don't get confused because I am very used ...