

THIS LITTLE PIGGY

Mystery Block-of-the-Month

MONTH #5



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BEFORE THE FUN BEGINS

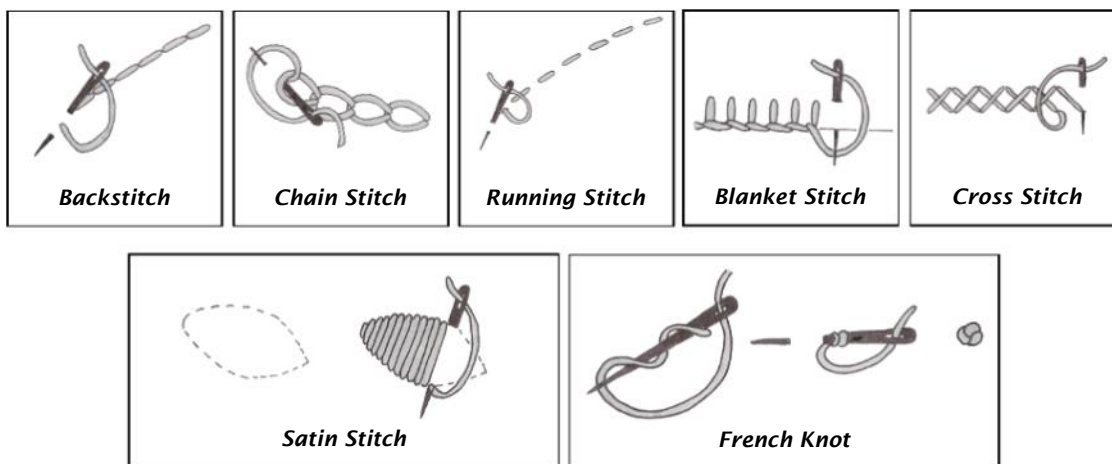
- ◆ Please read all instructions before you begin.
- ◆ Abbreviations. "WOF" = 'width of the fabric'.
- ◆ **Requirements are based on fabric 115cm (44in) wide unless otherwise stated. Fabric requirements may differ from person to person due to cutting methods. If in doubt it is a good idea to purchase a little extra fabric.**
- ◆ Fusible webbing requirements will vary greatly between products and projects; assume you will need a lot and go from there!
- ◆ 1/4in seam allowances are used throughout unless otherwise stated.
- ◆ Pre-washed 100% cotton fabrics are recommended.
- ◆ Please refer to the photo of the project and the quilt diagrams to help with colour choices and layout.
- ◆ **I would recommend using an appliqué mat with all but the most simple appliqué shapes.**
- ◆ Our patterns are proof-read and made by our lovely testers but sometimes mistakes do slip by us. Please let us know if you come across an error so we can correct it.
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A NOTE ABOUT BUTTONS

- ◆ I like to use buttons on my projects but they aren't suitable for children under three (3) years of age due to them being a choking hazard. Replace buttons with appliqué or embroidery when you are making the project.
- ◆ Safety eyes are available from all good craft stores. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions.

IMPORTANT! HOW TO PRINT TEMPLATES FROM PDF PATTERNS

- ◆ All templates are provided at their full size. Ensure your printer is set to print at 100% and deselect the scaling and cropping options. Ensure you deselect the option that says "print to printer margins".
- ◆ Some templates may be divided into two or more sections and will need to be joined to make the complete template. Simply match the shapes along the dashed or dotted lines as marked on the template, then use adhesive tape to stick them together. Occasionally a shape will distort a tiny bit in the printing process, simply adjust where necessary.
- ◆ All of our patterns are test printed multiple times before release. Very occasionally a PDF template will print with a **black background** due to differences between the various apps and devices we use. This can be solved in most instances by saving the PDF to your hard-drive, then re-opening the file using a PDF reader (not your browser). Please message me at redbootquilts@bigpond.com if you continue to have difficulties.



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Approx. size block 17 1/2in x 17 1/2in

What You Will Need for Month #5

- ◆ Basic supplies from Month #1
- ◆ 15cm (1/8 yard) of grey & white print fabric for the framing strips
- ◆ Scraps of assorted skin-colour, yellow, orange, red, pink, aqua, purple, blue, and brown solid or print fabrics for the applique
- ◆ Stranded embroidery thread for the stitched detail
- ◆ Matching thread to suit your favourite appliqué stitching method
- ◆ (2) pairs of small black buttons for eyes (*optional*)
- ◆ (2) tiny red orange buttons for the overalls (*optional*)
- ◆ Appliqué mat or Teflon sheet (*optional, but highly recommended*)
- ◆ General sewing supplies

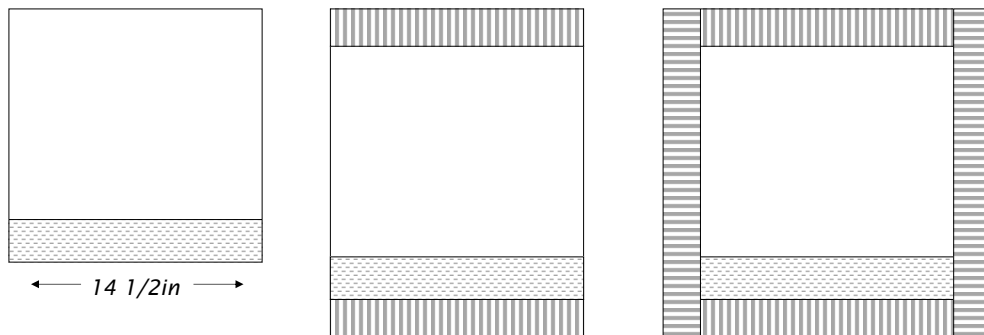
Cutting Instructions

1. **You will need -**
 - ◆ (1) 12 1/2in x 14 1/2in off-white rectangle, and
 - ◆ (1) 2 1/2in x 14 1/2in coordinating rectangle for the background of the block (from Month #1).
2. **From the grey & white print fabric, cut:**
 - ◆ (2) strips, 2in x WOF. Crosscut (2) 2in x 14 1/2in strips, and
 - ◆ (2) 2in x 17 1/2in strips for the framing strips.

How to Make Block #5

1. Use Diagram 1 as a guide to pin and then sew the 2 1/2in x 14 1/2in rectangle and the 12 1/2in x 14 1/2in rectangle together along the long edges. Press the seam open.
2. Pin and then sew a 2in x 14 1/2in grey framing strip to the top and bottom of the block. Press the seams outwards.
3. Pin and then sew a 2in x 17 1/2in grey framing strip to the left and right-hand sides of the block. Press the seams outwards.

Diagram 1 ▶



4. Use a pencil to trace the required appliqué shapes onto the paper side of the fusible webbing—leave approx. 1/2in between each shape. When you have finished tracing, roughly cut out the individual shapes 1/4in outside the traced lines.

You will need to trace (2) farmers and (1) fence shape.

5. Fuse the appliqué shapes to the wrong side of the fabrics you have chosen for the project following the manufacturer's instructions. Cut the shapes out carefully on the lines when cool to the touch. Remove the backing paper from the appliqué shapes as you go.
6. Use the templates and the colour photograph as a guide to centre and fuse the appliqué to the background block, overlapping the shapes and seams where necessary.

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7. Stitch around the appliqué shapes using your favourite method. I stitched around my shapes using machine blanket stitch and matching thread. Use a light, sharp pencil to draw the features on the farmers then backstitch using two strands of embroidery thread. Set aside.
8. Congratulations you've finished Block Five!



Leave at least 3/8in between the appliqué shapes and the left and right-hand sides of the background block.

The bottom of the farmer's feet sit just above the seam line between the background fabric and the grey framing strip.

The bottom of the fence palings overlap the seam between the background block and grey framing strip by approx. 1/4in.

When you are fusing the two farmers to the quilt, adjust the angle of their arms so they are holding hands.

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Farm Boy's head shape.

Tip!

The numbers represent the order in which the appliqué shapes are fused together.



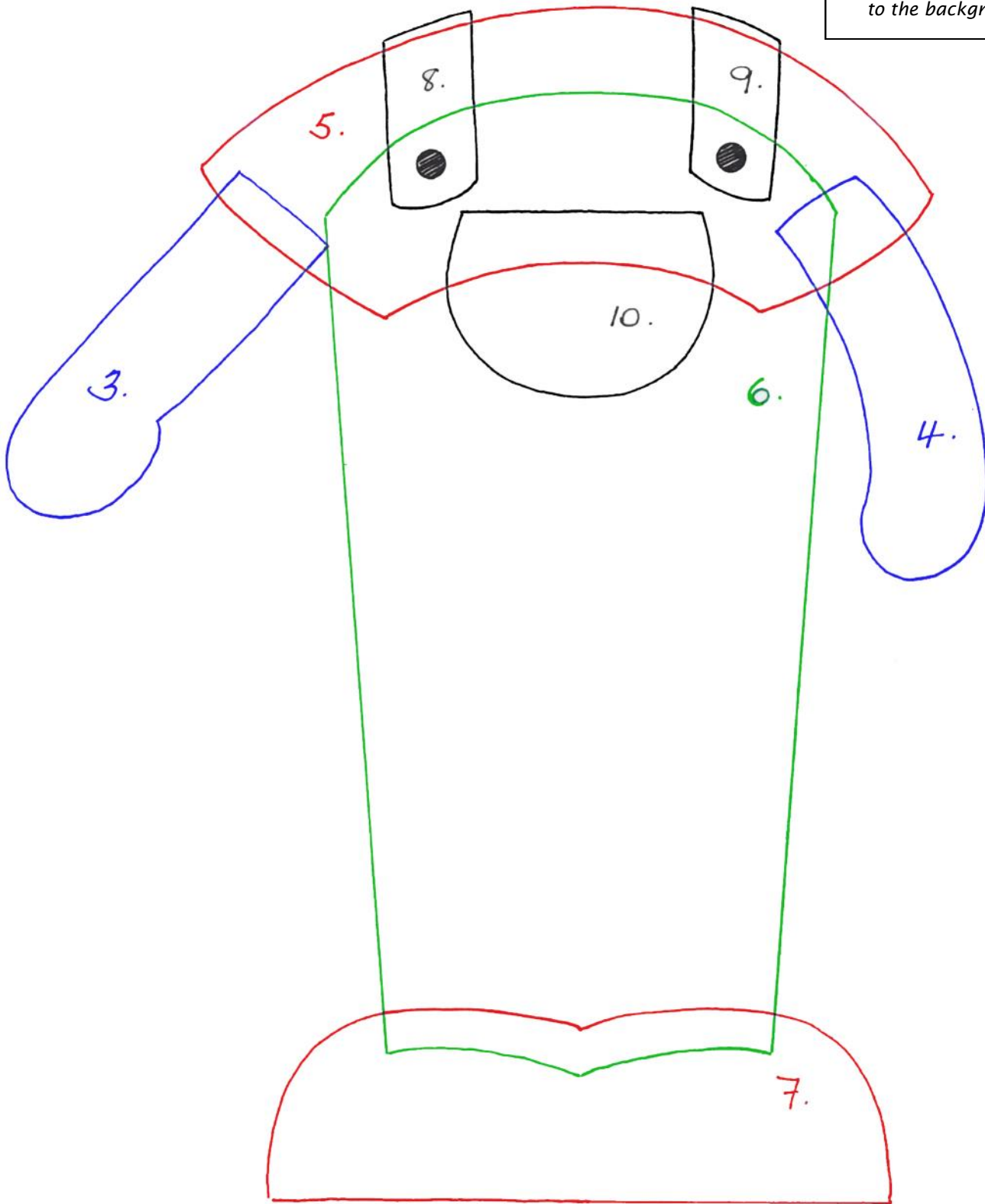
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Farm Boy's body shape.

Tip!

Use a lightbox or sunny window to help trace the features on the appliqué shapes before you fuse them to the background block.

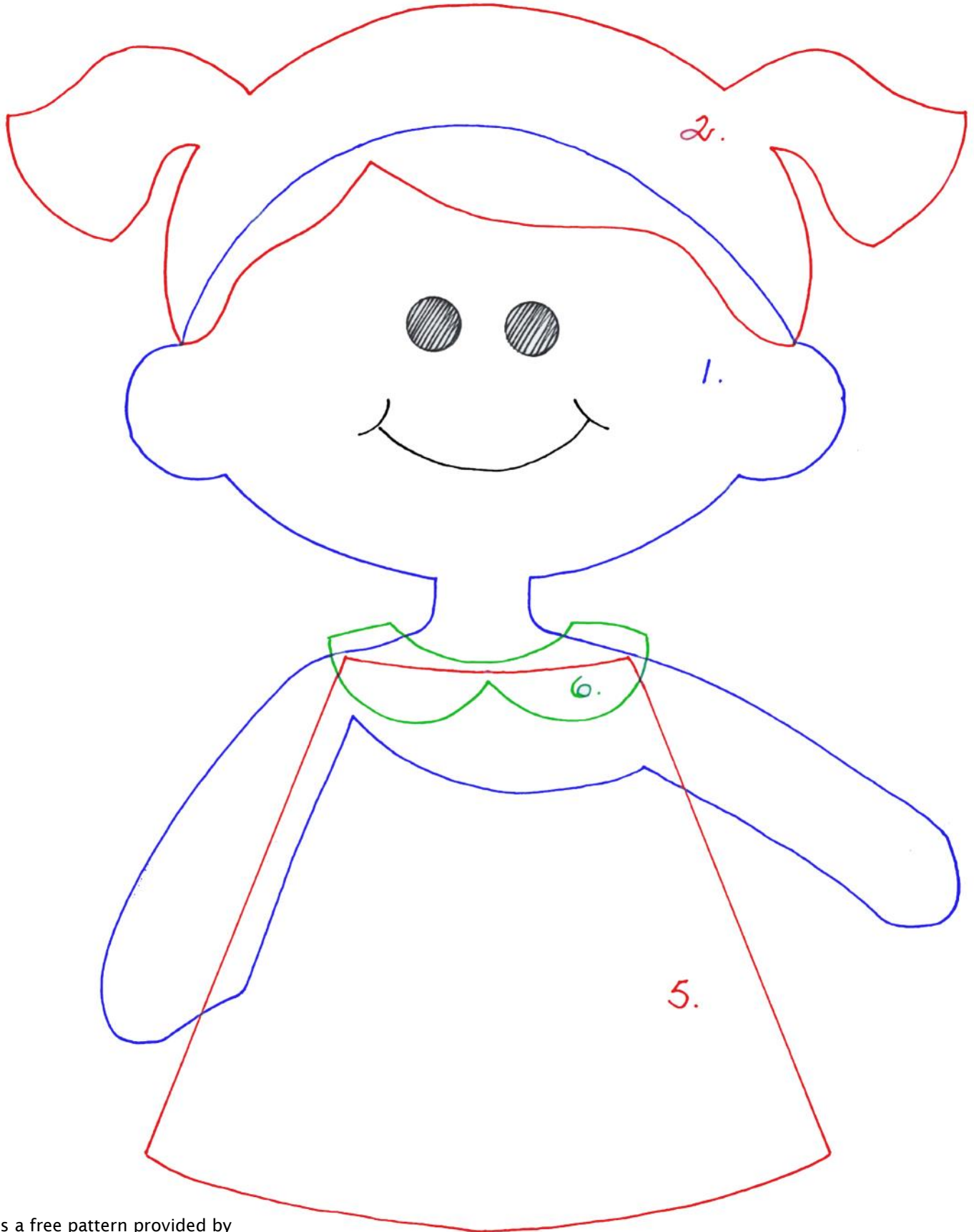


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Farm Girl's body shape.

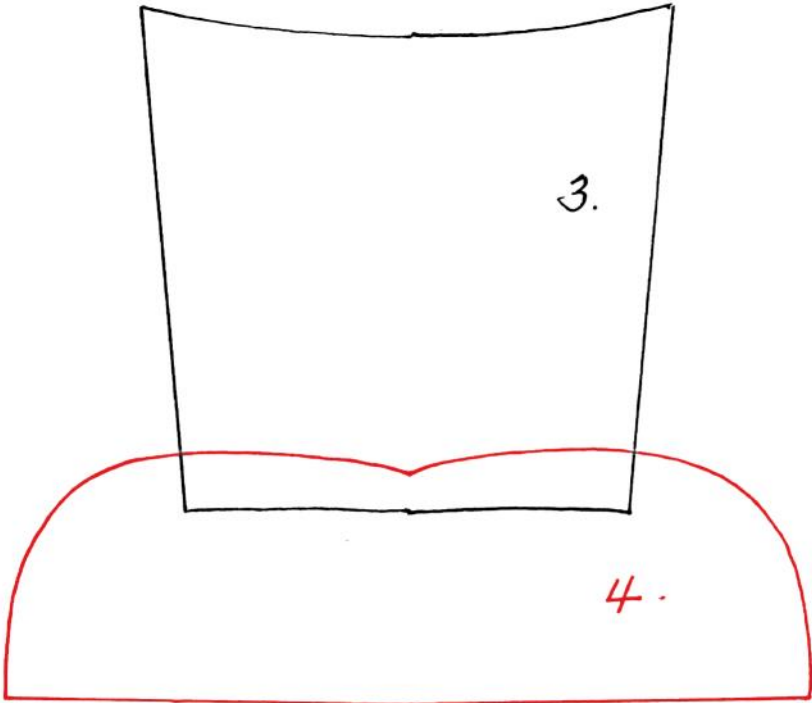


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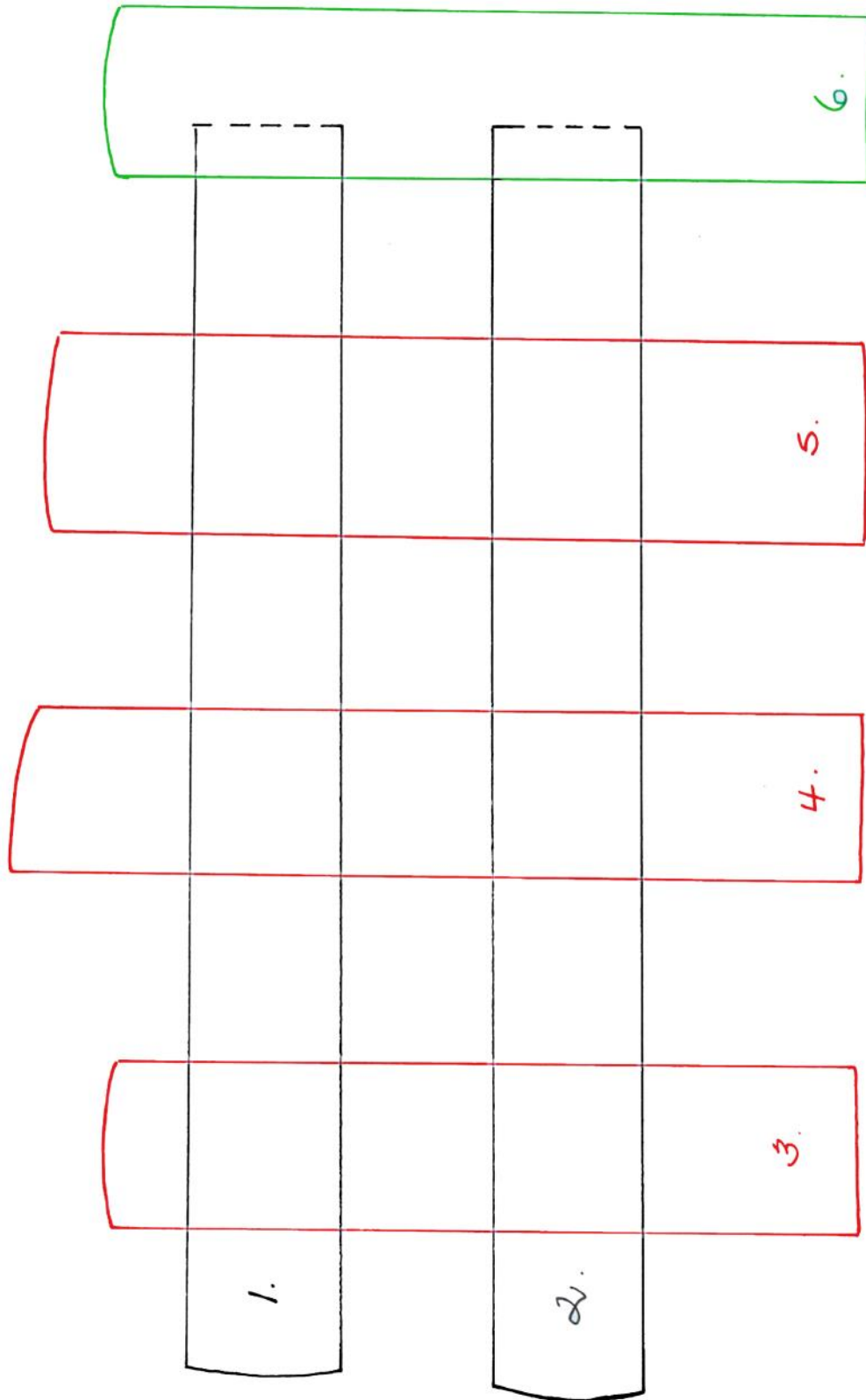
Farm Girl's Leg Shape.



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Fence Shape #1—Join the fence rails at the dotted lines. The process of scanning templates sometimes distorts straight lines, please adjust the rail shapes where necessary to straighten them.



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Fence Shape #2—Join the rails at the dotted lines.

You can make the fence palings as straight or as higgledy-piggledy as you like.

