

Things You'll Be Needin'

1 Yard of Muslin
Quilt Scraps
Disappearing Marker
Fiberfill Stuffing
Black DMC Floss
Long Doll Needle
Acrylic Paint - Maple Sugar,
Barn Red and Forest Green
Med. Sandpaper
Coffee Mix
6 - 1/4" Buttons for Eyes
Rusty Wire

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Primitive Doll and Folk Art Patterns



#178 Gingerbread Men
and Prim Star Ornies

****BEFORE YOU BEGIN****

* Read all instructions thoroughly and assemble all the materials you will need before beginning.

* 1/4" seam allowance is not included on most pattern pieces. Tracing line is sewing line unless otherwise indicated. Refer to pattern.

* You may coffee stain your fabric before beginning your project or after. (or both!)

****TECHNIQUES FOR PRIMIN' IT****

Coffee Stain Mix

* Mix approx. 1/4 cup instant coffee with 1/2 cup water plus a pinch of vanilla extract. You may even add a hint of cinnamon to the mixture. For a lighter stain effect use instant tea. You may apply this with a sponge brush or squirt bottle.

Bakin' Your Prims

* Some people like to bake their projects in the oven to "age" them a bit. If you choose to do this after coffee staining PLEASE WATCH IT CLOSELY! Slow dry your project in a warm 180 degree oven with the door left ajar just slightly. Turn your prim every so often to prevent scorching and allow it to dry evenly.

Sanding

* The key to the prim look is careful sanding of your project. I use fine sandpaper. Medium is ok, just be careful, you don't want to sand straight through the fabric. Sand lightly all over. A little more in areas that would naturally show more age. Afterwards, you may rub lightly with cinnamon to "grubby" it up even more. Makes it smell good too!

Makin' a Prim Tag

* Spray or brush coffee mix on tags, bake in oven at 180 degrees until dry. After they cool add your favorite prim saying.

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**Makin' The Stars*

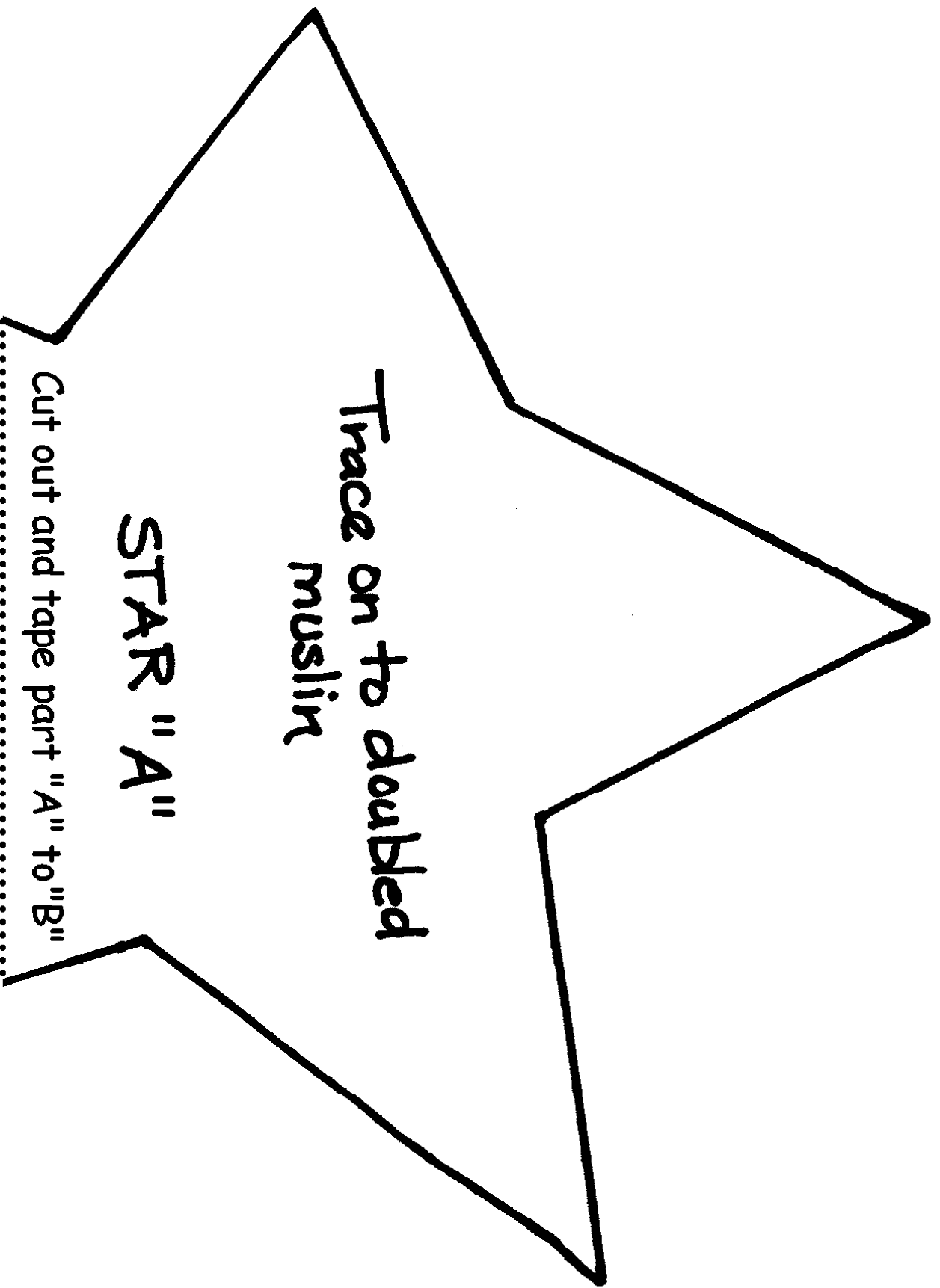
You can make as many of these prim stars as you wish.

The instructions below are to make one star ornie.

Trace star pattern on to doubled muslin. Sew on traced line leaving open where indicated on pattern piece. Trim excess, turn and stuff star firmly and sew opening closed. Paint each star with thinned down paint. Paint one barn red, one forest green, and one maple sugar. Let dry. Now sand your stars well and spray with coffee mix, and bake in a 180 degree oven on a cookie sheet. Watch stars closely and turn often to prevent scorching. When cool and dry, wrap star in about an 28" length of rusty wire. Go around the star in all directions, making sure the two ends meet in front. You will need about 6" on each end. Twist the ends of the wire into little curlys to complete.

**Makin' the Gingerbread Men*

Trace your three gingerbread men on to doubled muslin and three hearts on to an old piece of quilt, or in a pinch some prim homespun. Sew on traced line for the gingers, leaving open where indicated on pattern piece. Trim excess, turn and stuff the Gingers firmly. Sew openings closed. Paint your gingers with Maple Sugar acrylic paint and let dry. Now give them a good sanding with med. sandpaper. Spray your Gingers and the three heart pieces with coffee mix, then bake on a cookie sheet in a 180 degree oven til dry. Now place the quilt hearts on the gingers tummys and stitch in place with two threads of black DMC floss. Stitch the little eyes (buttons) on to their faces. Refer to pattern pieces and color photo for proper placement of all items. Congratulations!!! You did it! That's a great set of Prim Ornies!



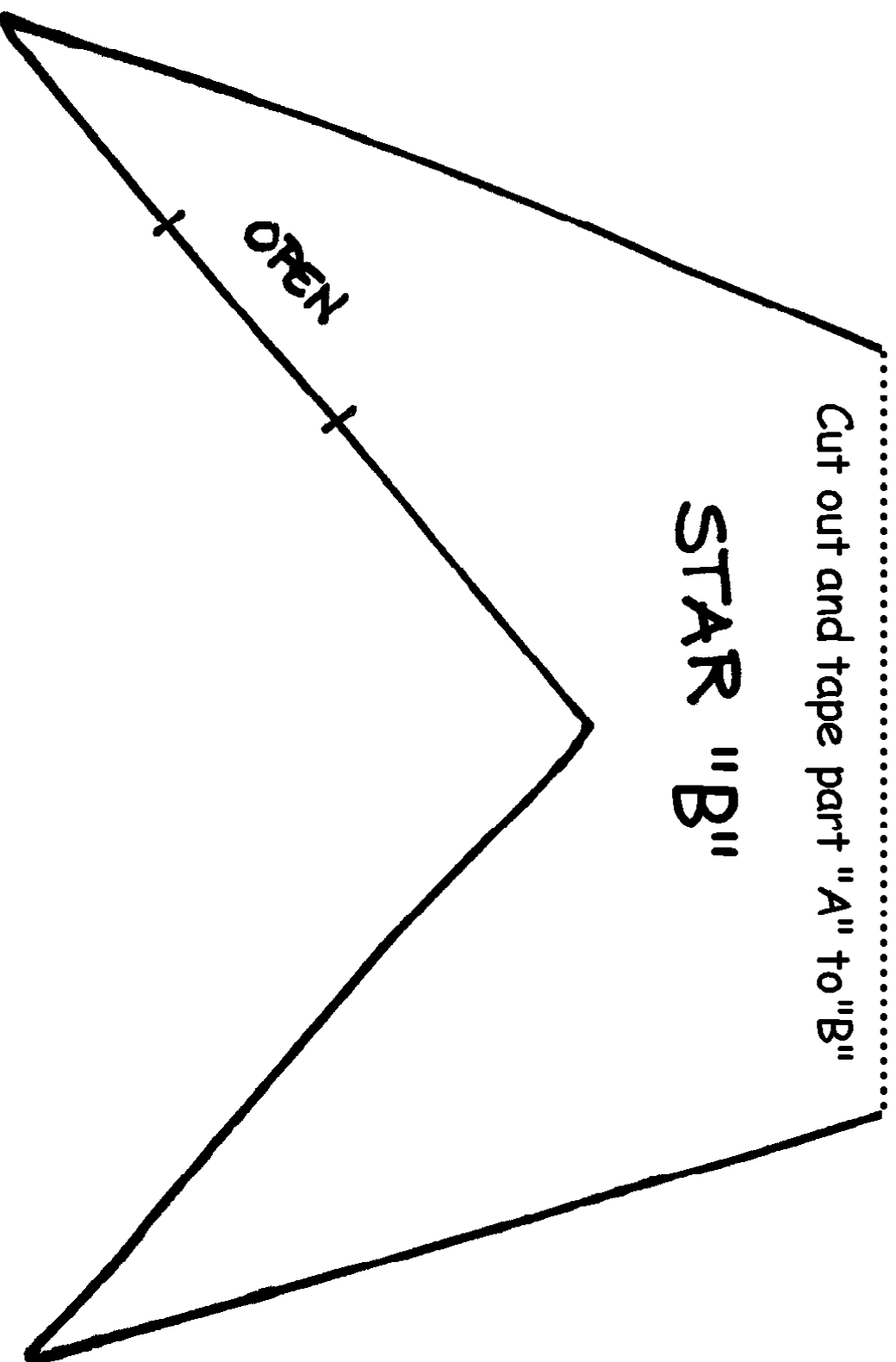
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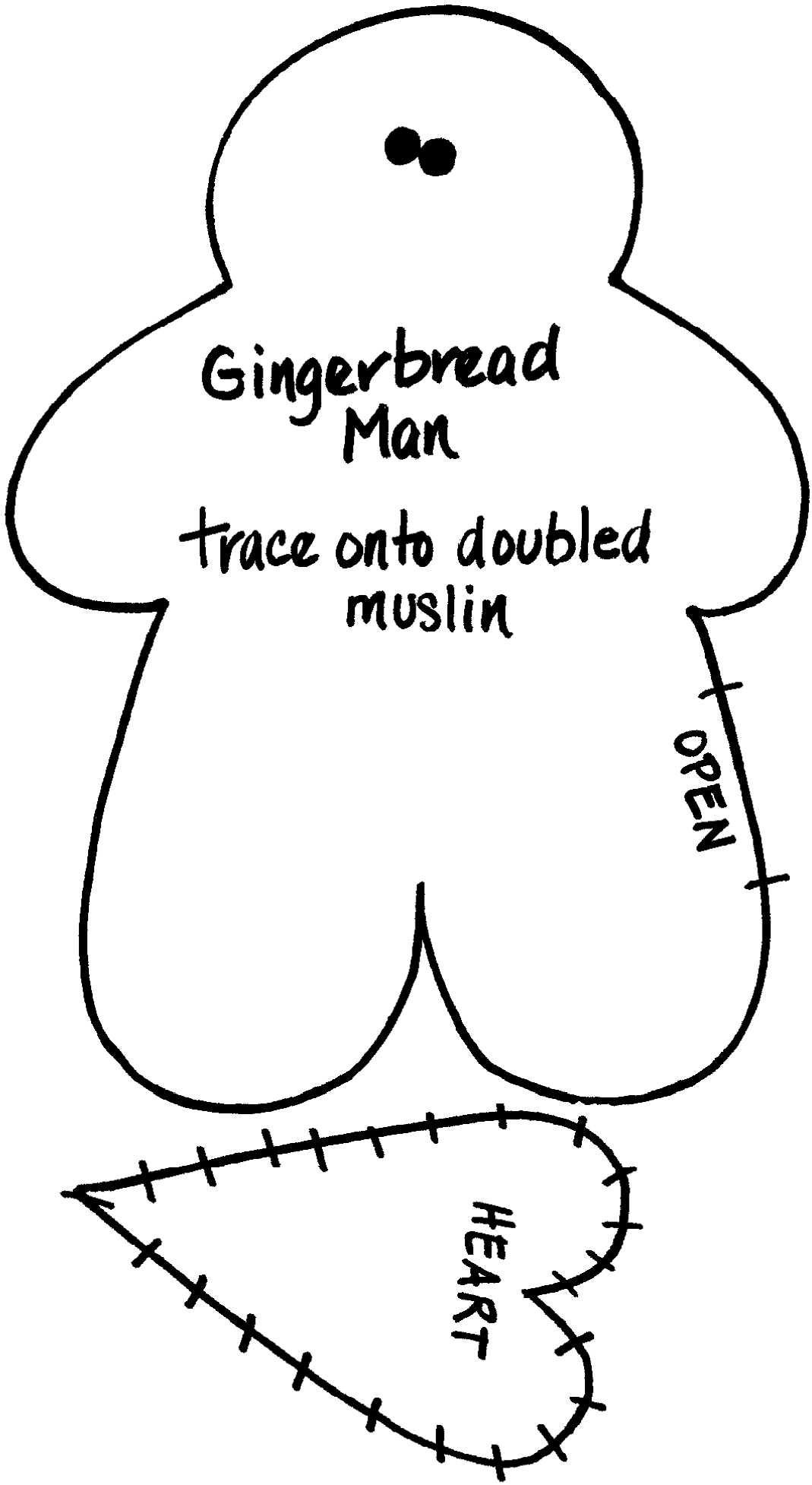
STAR "A"

Cut out and tape part "A" to "B"

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