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## Quilt Blocks



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Explore history and create beautiful works of art with quilt block designs and paper mosaics printed in traditional fabric patterns!

The origin of the term 'quilt' comes from a Latin word that means 'stuffed sack.' A quilt is quite literally a bedcovering stitched in three layers. The top is typically the decorative patchwork pattern we recognize. The bottom, or 'back,' is often a neutral solid color. The 'stuffing' in the middle is what makes a quilt a warm and cozy covering for beds! The stitching keeps the three layers together.

Technique: Choose and photocopy one of the six reproducible quilt block templates to use as a base for your mosaic. Then create a beautiful pattern by gluing the square and triangle mosaic pieces onto the quilt block.

Ideas: Allow students to explore the beauty of quilt-making through the patterns and mosaic pieces.
Encourage coordinated color themes, or allow students to create a patchwork 'wacky quilt' on their own! Talk about the utilitarian need for "wacky quilts" made from leftover fabric and old clothing by pioneers, as well as the artistry of creating colorful patterns on the quilt blocks.

Make a giant patchwork quilt by affixing all the quilt blocks to a wall in a pattern, creating a classroom art project!

