# Sweatshirt Jacket Tutorial

1. Lay sweatshirt flat front side up and cut from bottom to neck.
2. Lay flat again with front side facing you and smooth as best you can from front opening to shoulder seam.
3. Take a piece of tracing paper and lay or pin over top of right side.
4. Draw a pattern where the stitching line on the sweatshirt is around the neck, down the front and over to the shoulder.
5. Measure distance from neck stitching to shoulder. (My measurement was 6 ¼ inches.) Measure down the front and mark a line equal to the length of the shoulder line. (Mine was 6 ¼ ")
6. Draw an arc from the front line to the shoulder line
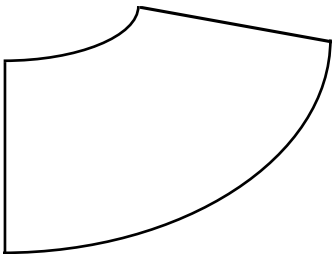
   Your pattern should look like the above diagram.
7. Cut out your pattern and check it against the left side. It should be the same. If not, make a similar pattern for the left side and mark both pieces "right" and "left".
8. Turn your sweatshirt over and spread out smoothly and make a pattern for the back. You may do half of the back as I did as long as it is centered properly and fits both sides equally.
9. After you have your pattern outlines put light marks along necklines at approximately ½" apart. You may have to adjust this measurement to fit your lines into the space evenly.
10. Do the same at the bottom line so that when you draw your stitching lines they will fan out.
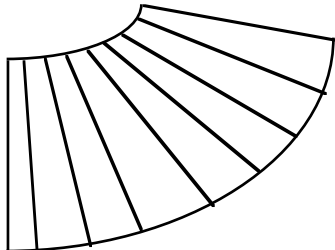
   You will end up with a pattern similar to this. I ended up with 9 lines.
11. You may have more or less lines. Do not put them too close together as your finished squares may be too small to clip. More about this later.

12. Mark your "back" pattern in this same way.
13. Now you are ready to draw the horizontal lines. These lines start out approximately 1 inch down from your sweatshirt neckline. The lines need to be drawn a bit farther apart as you get closer to the bottom.
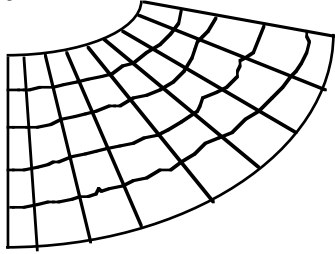
14. Do the same on the back pattern and be sure that the front pattern lines meet at the same place as the back pattern lines do. You will sew these horizontal lines all at once (fronts and back).
15. Lay your patterns out over the fabric that you have chosen to show through your squares. Cut your pieces ½" larger as you may have to shift it somewhat when you are ready to sew the pieces down.
16. Transfer your drawn lines to the wrong side of your printed fabric. Place your printed fabric facing the wrong side of your sweatshirt and pin.
17. Sew around the piece using the stitching lines of the neck of the sweatshirt as your guide (use matching thread). Your fabric will be a bit larger than you need and you will have to trim it after sewing it down.
18. At the shoulders you will trim your printed fabric at the shoulder line one on top of the other. I used a decorative stitch to attach these 2 fabric pieces to the shoulders.
19. Mark your drawn lines to the wrong side of this fabric after you have sewn the fabric to your sweatshirt. You may need to darken the lines on your tracing paper so that you can see them when you turn the pattern over.
20. When you have attached ALL the printed fabric pieces to your sweatshirt, you will begin to stitch down the vertical marks and then sew around on the horizontal marks

NOTE: Sometimes I have had to adjust my lines at this time. Just do your best to fan the lines out as evenly as

**FRONT LEFT**   **FRONT RIGHT**   **BACK**
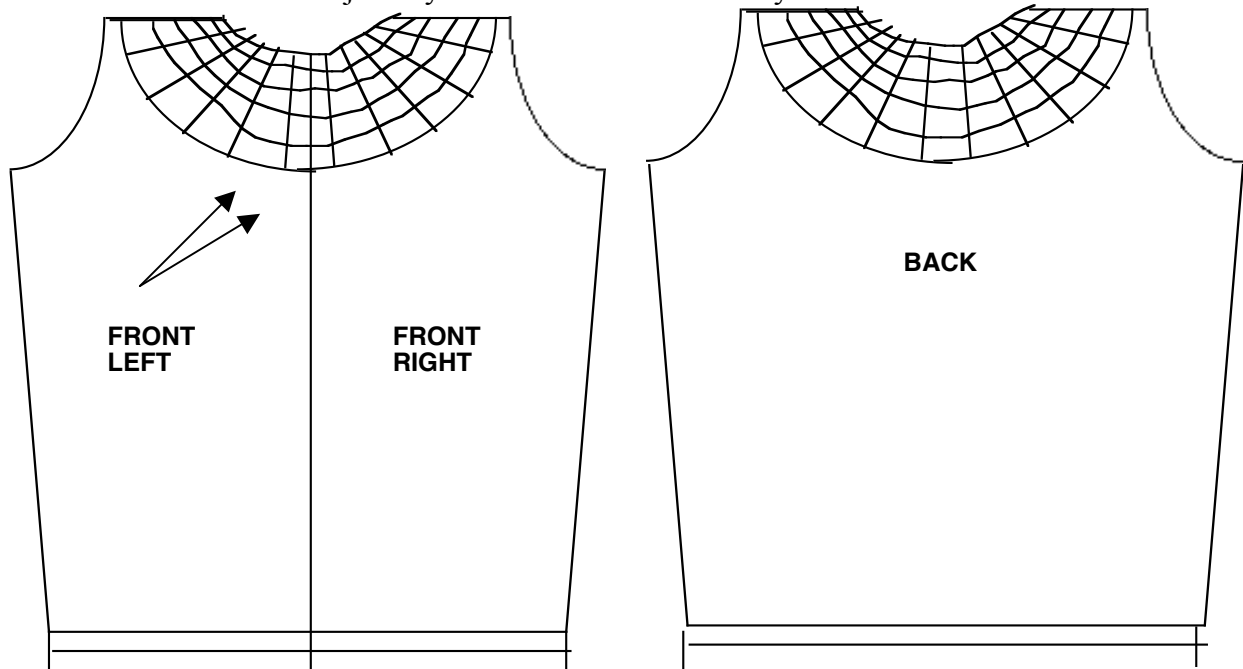
possible.
NOTE: You will not cut the squares next to the front openings. You will eventually zig zag the front edges and turn them to the inside and stitch down.

21. When all lines are stitched you will begin to cut the squares of the sweatshirt from corner to corner. (Use a very sharp pointed scissors but do not cut into your back printed fabric.

cut each space
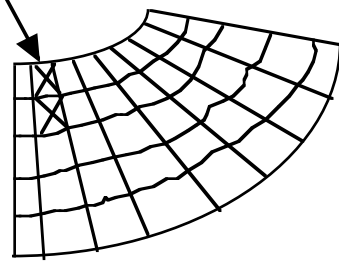
22. After you complete the cutting process, wash and dry your sweatshirt and the points in each section will curl up and the printed fabric will show through.
23. Now zig zag your front edges and turn them under slightly 1/4". Stitch down and this will finish the front edges.