

# Girl's Top Instructions

Sizes 1 and 2 - top only (no shorts). Use **new** lightweight cotton or cotton blend.

**Do not** use fabric with camouflage.

## Materials Needed

- 5/8 to 3/4 yard cotton or cotton blend
- 1 piece of 1+1/2" long white or light colored twill or bias tape for size tag
- bias tape may be used to finish the neck and arm opening and used for ties

Seam size 5/8"

Finish all raw edges and seams with a zigzag stitch, serging, pinking, or a second row of stitching.

## Cutting

Cut two of pattern back on selvage, if possible. Cut one front pattern on fold. Cut bias tape long enough to go around the neck plus 10" on both ends. Cut 2 bias tapes to go around the arm openings.

## Sewing

1. Sew center back together to within 5" of neck edge. Press seam open and top stitch both sides of opening above seam.
2. Sew back to front at shoulder seams. Finish raw edges.
3. Bind neck edge with bias tape leaving 10" on each side for ties.
4. Bind arm openings with bias tape.
5. If serging, clip curves, and serge around edge of arm holes and neckline. Then turn under 1/4" and top stitch.
6. Sew side seams. Finish raw edges.
7. Sew all four sides of a 1 1/2" piece of twill or bias tape to **INSIDE** back of gown. Write size on tape with permanent marker.
8. Finish gown with narrow hem by turning edge up 1/4" twice. Top stitch.

