## Activity 1: No Sew Blankets

Animal shelters are always in needs of blankets for bedding. This is perfect project to donate to your local animal shelter. You could also donate it to a homeless shelter. They also make great gifts for friends, family, or your family pet.

You may need assistance to trim and cut the fabric as in the instructions, so this is a great project to do as with another person, such as family or a friend.

### Materials and Supplies

* fleece (two pieces per blanket)\*
* scissors
* ruler
* fabric pen, pencil, marker, or chalk (just something washable to mark five inches)
* paper

\*Note: Fleece typically comes 60-inches wide. Fabric is sold by the yard. You’ll need at least 2 yards for each piece. Try to get one solid and one pattern.

### Instructions

1. Line up the fabric pieces with the right (fuzzy) sides out.
2. Trim as needed to make sure they are the same size.
3. Using a piece of paper, ruler, and scissors, cut out a five-inch square to use as a guide.
4. Cut a five-inch square in each corner.
5. Use a ruler and fabric pen to mark five inches in from each side of the fabric.
6. Cut the fringe along all four sides, each piece a little wider than the width of your finger and five inches from the edge. (Make sure to cut through but pieces of fabric at the same time.)
7. With fringe pieces lined up, begin tying the knots. (You can use balloon knots, just like how you would tie a balloon; or just like you’re tying shoelaces, which is best for arthritic hands.)
8. Continue all around until the edges until the blanket is finished.

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