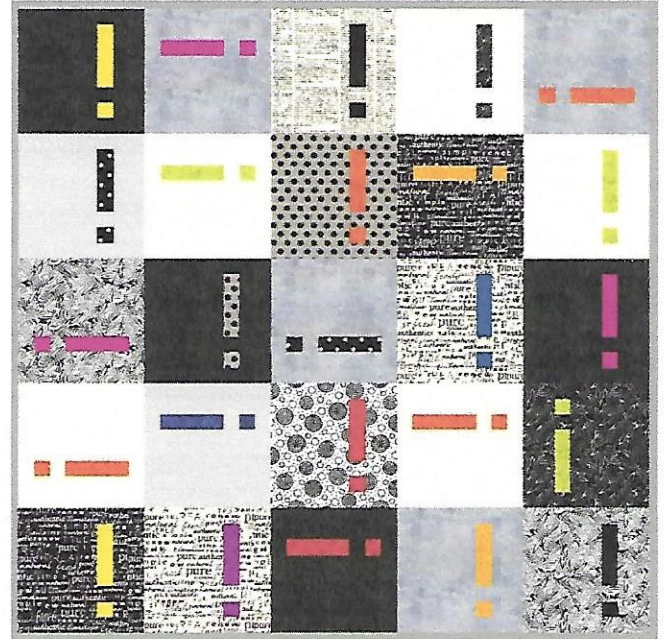


Pattern of the Month - September 2018

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**Surprise !**

An 8" finished block



(40" x 40")

Modern, bright clear colors like those in our TQG Logo, above, are perfect for the exclamation points; background fabrics in gray, white, black, and black & white prints contribute nicely to the overall graphic effect. Make a contemporary wall hanging, casual throw, or a surprise gift for someone special!

For *each* block, cut:

**Background**

- 1 - 5½" x 8½"
- 1 - 2½" x 8½"
- 3 - 1½" x 1½"

**Exclamation Point**

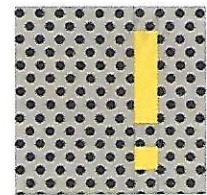
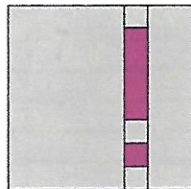
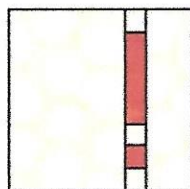
- 1 - 1½" x 4½"
- 1 - 1½" x 1½"

Using a ¼" seam allowance, sew a 1½" background square between the 4½" strip and the 1½" dot, to make the exclamation point. Then sew one background square above, and one below the exclamation point, to complete the strip (right). →

It should be 1½" wide by 8½" tall. Press seams toward dark, or as you wish.



Sew the 5½" wide background piece to the left of the exclamation point, and the 2½" wide background piece to the right of it, to complete the block.



**Surprise! Block - sew many variations!**