

#3

Cut one  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 10" piece. This will become the front and the back of the purse. You will cut it in half to make 2 pieces  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5". But, before you cut it, lightly score at 6" and again at 8" (shown by the dotted black lines). HOWEVER, If you have patterned c/s, with a design going 'one way ', you might need to cut it before scoring; to assure your pattern for the front and the back of the purse is upright. Depends on the pattern... watch for this and do what you need to do.

If you haven't done it yet, cut this 10" piece in two 5"  $\times$  8  $\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces (shown by the solid line).

Cut a 3" x 7" piece. This is the bottom section of the purse. Lightly score  $\frac{1}{2}$ " all the way around this piece (dotted lines). Cut each corner off at the intersection of the score points (solid lines). Fold <u>up</u> at that scores... making a 'tray' that will fit up in the purse to create a flat bottom.

With your two 8  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5" pieces, fold on the score (dotted lines) to make "mountain" folds and make a "valley" fold directly in the middle of the two score lines (red dotted line)

Start assembly by taping #1 to the **back** of #2. This should give you one continuous piece that will become the four sides of the purse. Continue to tape it together with the bottom piece: The **back** of #3 to the **back** of #4.... the **back** of #5 to the **back** of #6.... so on and so on until you go all the way around. Taping up the back side of the purse last. Note: all taping gets done on the inside of the purse... leaving a clean outside look.

The handles can be anywhere from 11" long x  $\frac{1}{2}$ " (or  $\frac{3}{4}$ ") wide.