



**The
Castle**
418 FOURTH STREET
MARIETTA, OHIO

Paper Quilt Craft

ART PROJECT USING PAPER QUILT DESIGN

Craft Description: This project uses the Ohio Star quilt pattern to make a paper quilt block.

Supplies:

Glue or Glue sticks (preferred)

Scissors

Cardstock or construction paper (white and other desired colors)

Pencils

Ohio Star quilt pattern (provided)

Brief history of quilting:

Quilting began long before settlers came to America. Padded fabrics were used in every part of the world. A quilt is a cloth sandwich—a decorated top, a back (often of more plain fabric) and a filler in the middle. In the early years of American history, quilts were used for practical purposes such as for bedding or covers for windows and doorways to prevent drafts. Most were not decorative. Worn blankets were patched, combined with other blankets, or used as fillers. When fabrics began being manufactured in America women started making more decorative quilts.

Description of project:

There are many quilt patterns. But even when quilters use the same pattern, the quilts may look very different when finished because of the fabric and the way the pattern is used by the quilter.

In this art project, we are going to make a paper design using a quilt block pattern. The pattern is called the Ohio Star and it is a pattern that has been used since the early 1800's which is the time when Ohio became a state. (1803)

Preparation steps:

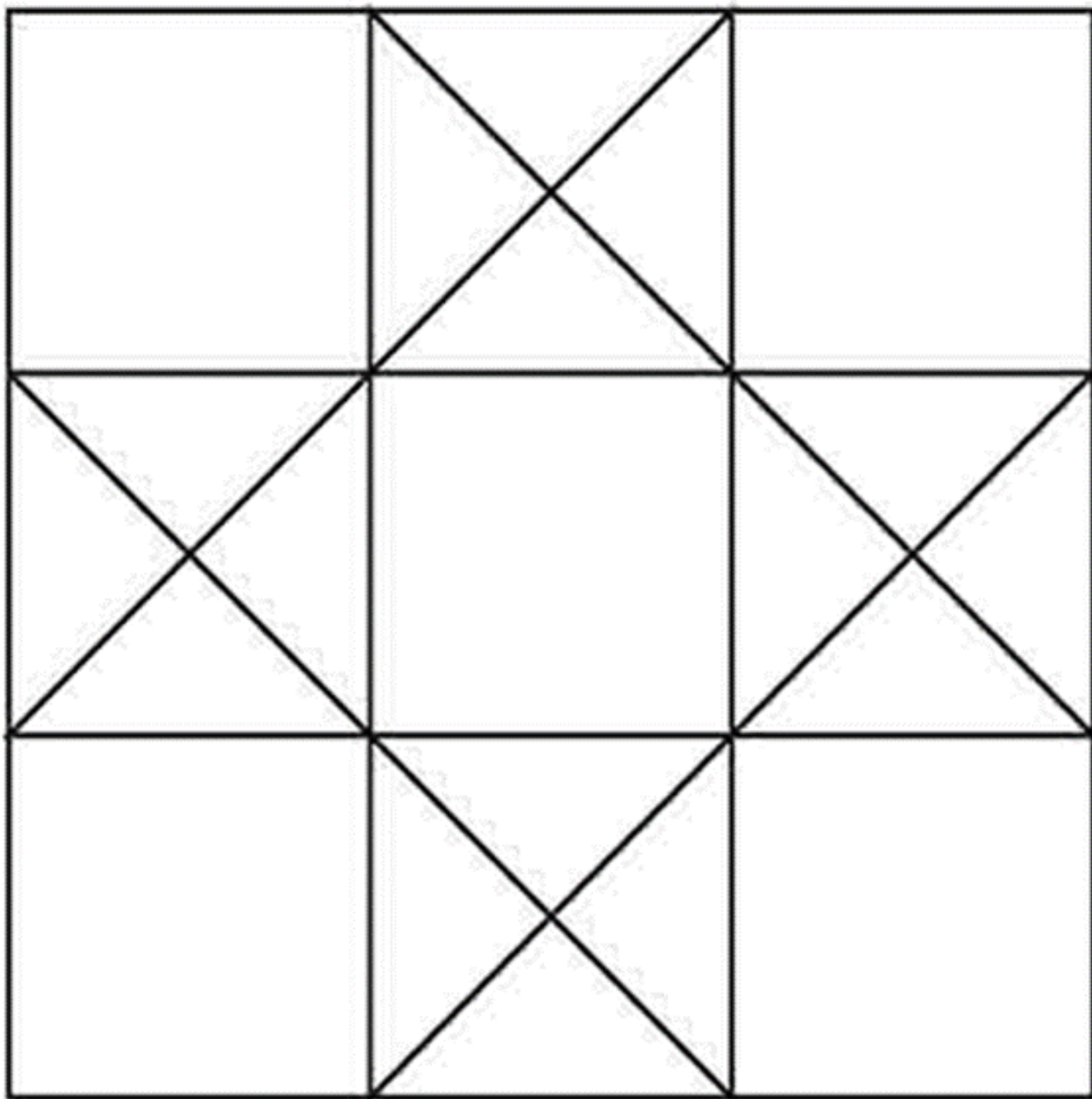
- Gather your supplies
- Print copies of the Ohio Star pattern on white paper or cardstock for each quilt.
- Print copies of the Ohio Star pattern on colored paper or cardstock (3-4 different colors) one of each color desired for each quilt

How To:

1. Decide your design for your quilt.
2. Mark the colors you want to use on your white Ohio Star pattern sheet.
3. Select the colored paper you'll need.
4. Cut the pieces needed for your quilt design.
5. Put glue on the pieces on the side with the lines.
6. Glue to white pattern sheet.
7. Once you have finished gluing all your pieces of your design, cut around the edges of your quilt block.

To Enhance this Activity:

- Each quilt block you create could be attached to a piece of large poster board, laid out on the floor, or taped to a blank wall to make a group quilt design.
- If your family has quilts you may want to share them and tell their story.



Ohio Star Pattern Block

Print one white sheet and one sheet for every color you want to use in your design.

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Here's some design examples

