



**SYNERGISTIC  
SYSTEMS**

A DIVISION OF PITSCO, INC.

# PARENT BRIEFING

## Module

### Basic Sewing

- Learn some basics about the sewing machine used in this Module.
- Demonstrate the proper stitching technique to attach a zipper to their project.
- Demonstrate the proper operation of a sewing machine.
- Use a computer program to design and print a custom monogram to be stitched on their sewing projects.

## Session Focus

**1** Stitching Chart

**2** Designing Your Own Monogram

**3** Monogram Stitching

**4** Stitching the Pocket

**5** Zipper Preparation

**6** Stitching the Zipper

**7** Finishing Touches

### Dear Parent,

As parents and teachers, we realize it can be hard to get a child to discuss what he or she is learning in school. We hope the information provided on this page will assist you in communicating with your child about what he or she is learning.

For the next few days, your child will be learning about the basics of sewing by designing a fabric pattern and monogram, and by constructing a small bag while completing the Basic Sewing Module. As your child's best teacher, your participation in the learning process is extremely important.

### Words students will learn in this Module include:

- backstitch
- batting
- bobbin
- dart
- feed dog
- grain
- handwheel
- interfacing
- presser foot
- salvages
- sewing gauge

### Questions for discussion

During the course of this Module, your child will be assessed on key concepts and activities. You might want to discuss these concepts with your child.

He or she will be asked to:

- Measure and pin a half-inch fold along the bottom of a pocket. *(If possible, have your child demonstrate how to measure and pin a half-inch fold on a piece of fabric.)*
- Pin and stitch a zipper to the loot bag. *(Have your child explain the process he/she used to attach the zipper to the bag.)*
- Design a monogram with his/her initials. *(Have your child describe the monogram he/she designed.)*



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