Christmas Tree Decorating Challenge 10 1/2" Block
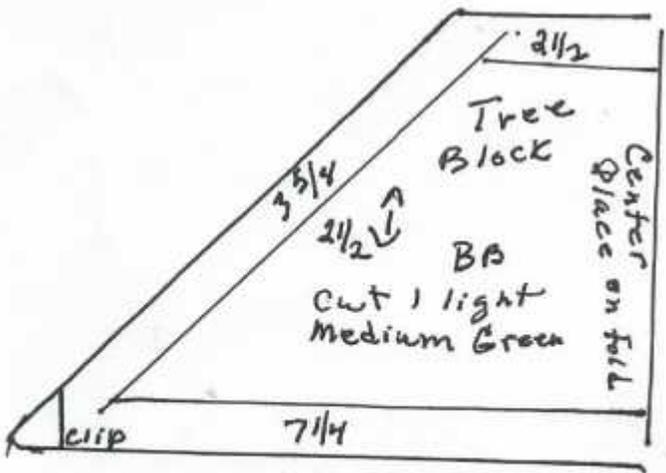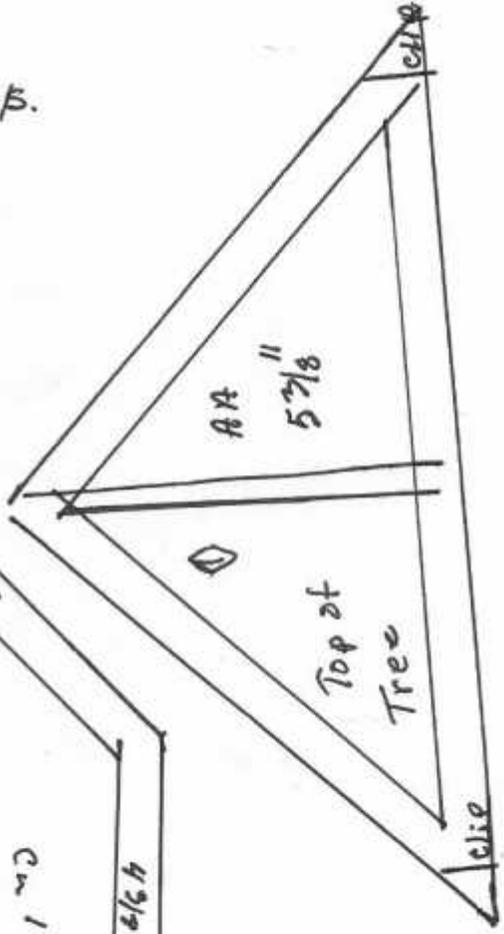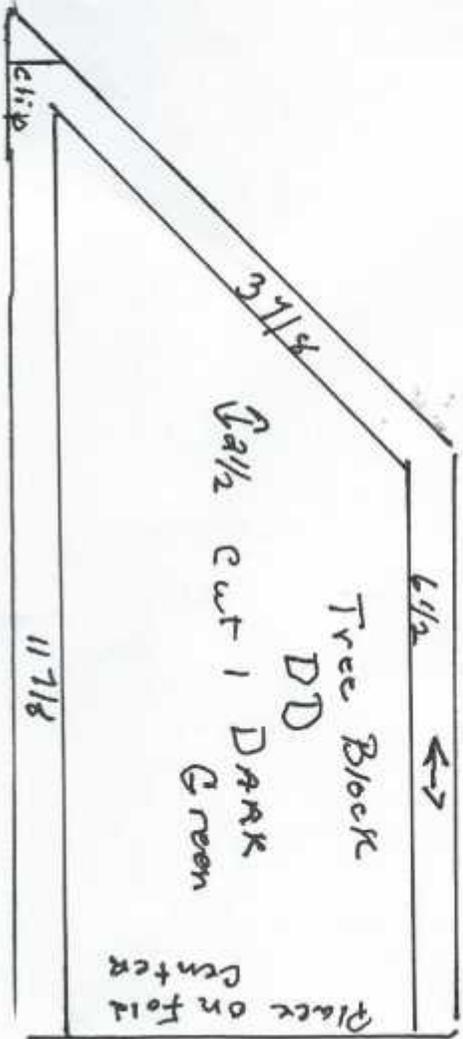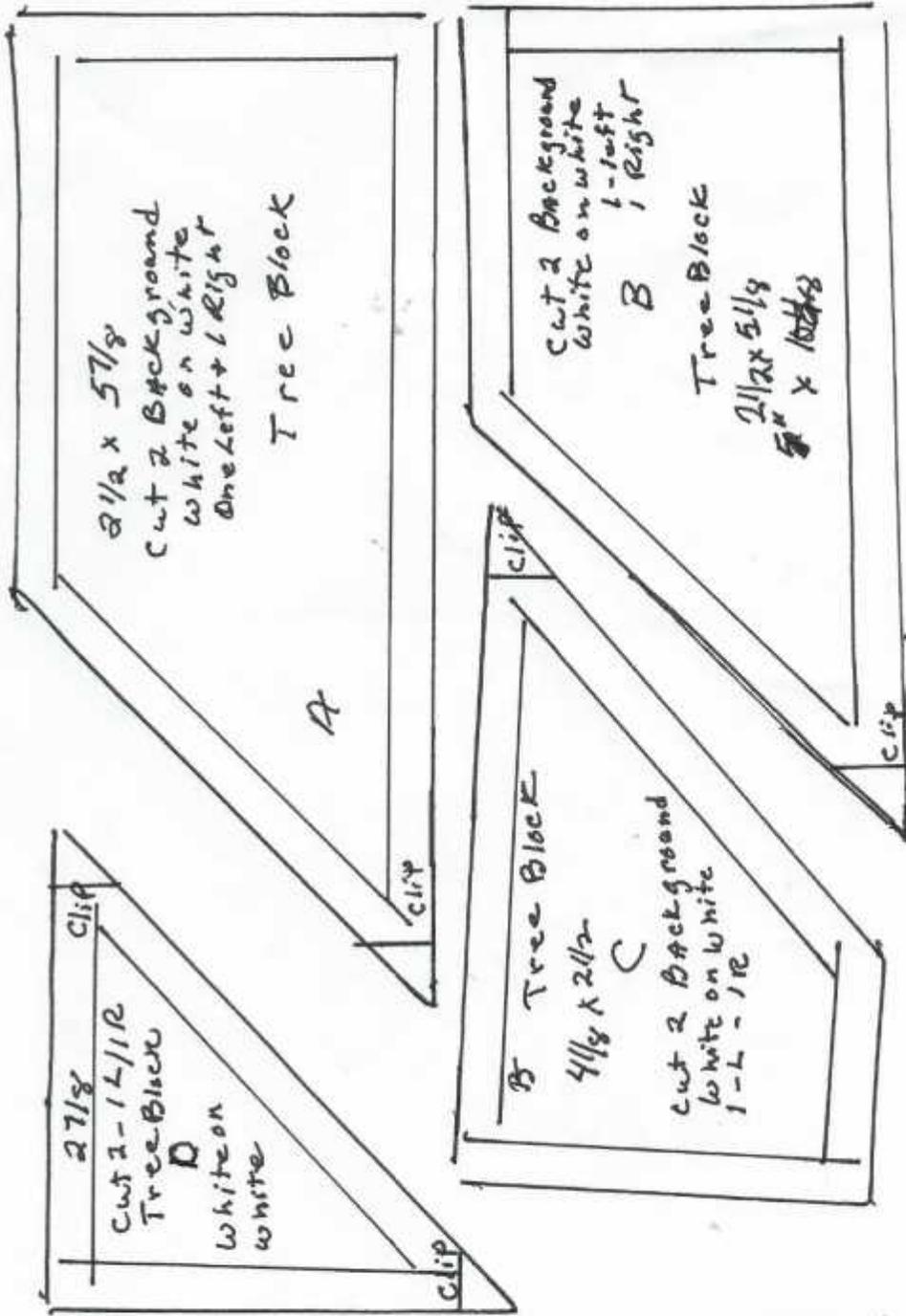
⟩ This seems like a rather of a lot of instructions for such a simple pattern but it does have some learning curves.

⟩ I just used scraps from my stash as you do not need a lot of fabric but you do need 6 colors. Running from your lightest green to your darkest green , on a white on white background with a brown trunk (which can be lighter than mine)

⟩ I made lightweight cardboard templates for my templates It is best if you spray with Best Press before you cut your fabric as you need stability for your bias edges. After you have cut out your fabrics -don't forget to fold your fabric so you get a left and a right pattern as required- lay out your pattern for sewing.

⟩ The first challenge is to sew the block. Because you are sewing bias edges, you must be careful to match your centers first and then pin from left to right ,matching the outer edges. The templates are A,B,C,D,E. for 5 Rows . The Tree Patterns are AA, BB, CC, DD and EE for tree Truck.

⟩ I have shown you where to clip your patterns at the ends so they will match up in pinning.

⟩ You can start sewing at the top or the bottom but just make sure your rows match at 2 1/2" each You may need to re-square. Templates run top to bottom/

⟩ I did press my seams open but that is a choice.

⟩ **The second Challenge is to decorate your tree. You may use whatever technique you choose. hand or machine appliqué, hand or machine appliqué. Glue on but just make sure you use a fabric glue that will not come off in the wash. You can add presents, stars, ornaments .buttons or whatever you think will decorate your tree. There will be a vote by the members ,of who best met this challenge.**

⟩ **Depending how many people signup for this challenge there might be more than one draw as I am thinking wall Hanging with this project.**

⟩ **The templates in the following page are placed on the fold as the pattern does not fit the paper. The measurements are the full size.**

Tree Block
2½ Rows/ws
10½ Block/wB.

clip

clip

3⅞

2½ cut 1 DARK Green

Tree Block
DD

4½

11⅞

Place on Fold
Center

clip

3⅞

2½ Medium Dark Green

Cn 1

Tree Block
CC

8⅞

4¾

Place on Fold
Center

clip

clip

A4
5⅝
11

Top of Tree

clip

2½

3¾

2½

Tree Block

BB

Cut 1 light
Medium Green

Center Place on fold

clip 7¼

Tree Block
Truck

Center

2½

Cut 1 Brown
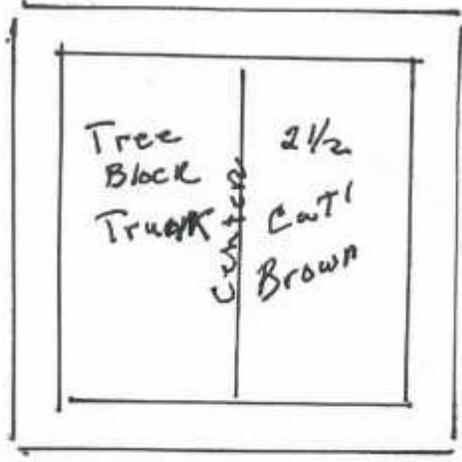
Pg One Tree Block
Backgrounds 2½ Rows } w/s
10½ Block }

2½ x 5⅞
Cut 2 Background
white on white
One Left + L Right

Tree Block

A

Clip

Cut 2 Background
white on white
B 1-left
1 Right

Tree Block

2½ x 5⅛
5" x 10⅛

Clip

Clip

B Tree Block
4⅛ x 2½
C

Cut 2 Background
white on white
1-L - 1R

Clip

2⅞
Cut 2 - 1 L/1R
Tree Block
D
white on
white

Clip

Clip

E. ☐
Background
Cut 2
white on
white
Rectangle

2½ x 4½