

	Parent 1	
Parent 2	Child	Parent 2
	Parent 1 Cut parent and child pieces 2½" x 2½"	

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Lesson 6—Parent/Child Transparency, 7½" x 7½"

Start with the child. Choose a multicolored, patterned fabric that has just a few colors for the child, then search for the logical parents. Try to relate the child to the parents in design too, such as vertical lines in parent 1, and similar vertical lines in the child, so the design flows through the shapes.

- Fabrics with many colors aren't successful "children."
- Avoid "muddy" children. Many batiks are just too blended to work.
- If your child has flecks of light, one of the parents must have some of the same lightness.
- For the child, organic, free-form patterns are more successful than distinct, sharp-edged designs.