Log Cabin Quilt Pattern

Materials:

- Quilt Pattern
- 1 8X8 inch square of poster board per block
- Wallpaper, craft paper, scrapbook paper or fabric cut into 1 inch strips (you will need 6 dark pieces and 6 light colored pieces)
- 1 2x2 inch square of red, orange or black paper or fabric
- Scissors and glue

Procedures:

Cut strips of paper following the pattern below. Each strip is one inch wide. The dark strips start at eight inches and decrease by one inch until the final one is three inches long. The light colored strips start at seven inches and will decrease by one inch until the final strip is two inches long.

Use one two inch by two inch square for the center. In most log cabin quilts the center is red or orange to represent the hearth of the home. Folklore tells us that some quilts had a black center to represent the home as a safe house on the Underground railroad.

Lay out all their strips by following the pattern. Pay close attention to the placement of light and dark colors. Glue the papers to the poster board following your layout.

Repeat this process for more blocks. Arrange the blocks to create different patterns such as diagonal lines, all light or all dark in the middle, stars in the middle.

