2 **HOW TO MAKE STORY BAGS** STEP 4ii. 3 SIDE 1 SIDE 2 4 TOP TOP 5 2 1 2 STEP 4iii. 3 1 3 2 4 STEP 4iv. **DEPTH** 3 5 4 5 2 STEP 4v. **BOTTOM BOTTOM**

- 1. Cut out two pieces of 22cmx22cm (8½"x8½") square cloth for each of the pieces of material you will use to make the bag.
- 2. Pin the squares together in order shown above to make SIDE 1 and SIDE 2. (NOTE for the SQUARES 4 & 5 make the depth slightly less by making the seam slightly more. Since they will be on the inside they need to be slightly shorter. All seems need to be on the inside).
- 3. Then pin SIDE 1 and SIDE 2 together, joining TOP to TOP and BOTTOM to BOTTOM.
- 4. Test the folding of the bag by:
 - i. Hold the long length of sown squares at the TOP, so that on one side you will see SIDE 1 and the other you will see SIDE 2. Now place this on a table with SIDE 2 facing upwards;
 - ii. Next fold the two SQUARE 5 faces together;
 - iii. Then fold the two SQUARE 4 faces together;
 - iv. Then fold the two SQUARE 3 faces together;
 - v. Then fold the two SQUARE 2 faces together;

Now the two SQUARE 1 faces will be facing outside. If all the square faces are not joining the seams may have to be adjusted.

- 5. Once the bag folds so that all the square ends meet correctly, unfold the material and stitch all the pinned seams. Then re-fold the bag so that the two pieces of square 1 are facing outside again.
- 6. Now take two extra pieces of square 1 material (approx. 23cm x 6cm or 9½"x2½") stitch up the two seams of the bag.

NOTE: 1. Materials 1-5 need to be placed in the correct order of the story.

2. This can be made for stories needing six or more different materials too just by following a similar pattern. For six materials SIDE 1 would be ordered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and SIDE 2 would be ordered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6