

## Block 1



Cut the background fabric 6½" x 6½". Trace the templates for the bird, wing, beak, eye and the two telephone poles to the paper side of the fusible product. Be sure to add ¼" to the bottom and one side of the poles where they meet the outside edge of the block. Trace the feet as one piece. If you are using polka dot fabric, cut a piece of fusible large enough to cover 11 dots and fuse in place.

Cut out the templates leaving a small margin and fuse them to your chosen fabrics. Cut out on the drawn lines.

Position the telephone poles, fuse in place and edge stitch the poles. Stitch or draw the wire. Next position the bird's feet and fuse in place and edge stitch. Continue with the bird's body, wing, eye and beak.

I used a satin stitch to edge stitch the bird's body, wing and eye. For the legs and beak, I used a straight stitch close to the edge of the appliqué.

Position 3 dots for the bird's topknot, one as a wingtip and 7 in a semi circle for his tail. Using a straight stitch, stitch from his head to one of the circles, around the circle two times, and then over the first stitching back to his head. Do not cut the thread and proceed to the second and third circles. Repeat this procedure for his tail and then stitch around the dot at the end of his wing.

Use the center of a notebook paper reinforcement circle for a template for the bird's eye.

