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Jacinda loves being able to make personalized embroidery designs by using her Brother Innov-ís 2800D Sewing/Embroidery Machine. Embroidery adds a personal touch and with Brother machines, embroidering is simpler than ever before! Jacinda designed this for her son's room in 20 minutes and loved it so much, she decided to show everyone she could. Here is her tutorial:

Materials and Supplies

- Brother Sewing/Embroidery Machine
- Tear Away Stabilizer
- Background Fabric
- Embroidery Hoop
- Canvas

Instructions

- 1. Place your tear away stabilizer and fabric in your embroidery hoop. I used the largest (6"x10") hoop for my machine. I used this handy grid overlay to make sure my fabric was straight. Isn't this fabric panel so, so cute? It's Boko To Watashi for Kikohara Bonjour from Fabricworm. I can get 6-8 pieces out of the \$12 panel. Nice! See Figure #1.
- 2. Design your layout right on screen in the machine. I did "GORDON" in large caps and then his birth date small underneath. You could easily do a full name and add fun info like weight, time of birth, parents names... so many options.
- **3.** Apply different colors to different sections so that the machine knows to stop and prompt you to change thread color.
- **4.** Let her rip! Watch in amazement.
- 5. Ready for a thread change! See Figure #2.
- **6.** Here it is all stitched. **See Figure #3.**
- **7.** Time to snip the threads.
- **8.** Ready to remove from hoop.







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- **9.** Tear away stabilizer. And also, do a better job at it than this. You don't want stabilizer between letters. When you stretch the piece on the canvas (in the next step) it will make your fabric pucker. **See Figure #4.**
- **10.**Center canvas on back of "art". You can also hold it up to a light source to help with position.
- **11.**Lift edge of fabric up and over edge. Staple using a light upholstery staple gun.
- **12.**Pull fabric taut and add another staple bottom center. Add staples centered on sides, pulling taut but not stretching. **See Figure #5.**
- **13.**Continue stapling, altering sides and pulling taut until only the corners are left.
- **14.**Tuck excess fabric up under and create nice corners. Staple in place on back. **See Figure #6.**
- **15.**Trim away excess fabric. If this is a gift, you might want to carefully trim it straight or add a panel of paper to the back, like an archival frame, with either staples or glue. And you know it might actually get hung by a new mom if you add hanging hardware.



Figure #4



