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For our project this month we personalized a hooded sweatshirt with a center front monogram. We used the Brother Free design of the month, a stylish scroll, to make an interesting frame for a single letter monogram. For the lettering, we used a special font included in [BES® Embroidery Lettering Software3](#). You can opt for lettering built in to your Brother machine for this project but we think you'll like our version with the two-color **Curly Font** style from [BES® Embroidery Lettering Software3](#).

Materials and Supplies

- [Brother](#) Sewing and Embroidery Machine.
Note: We used a 5" X 7" hoop for our combination design.
- Brother Stabilizers, [SA5931](#) Medium Weight Fusible Cut-Away Mesh, [SA5810](#) Medium Weight Tear-Away, and [SA520](#) Light Weight Water Soluble.
- [Brother Embroidery Thread](#), [Bobbin Thread](#), & [Embroidery Needle](#)
- Brother Free Design, Golden Scroll.pes
- [BES® Embroidery Lettering Software3](#).
- Pre-purchased hoodie. **Note:** We selected a hooded, pullover style sweatshirt. Please see options at the end of the instructions for a zippered opening, and a design to fit the 4-inch hoop.



Figure #1

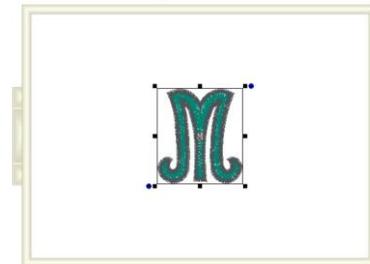
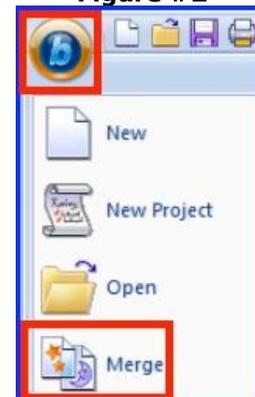


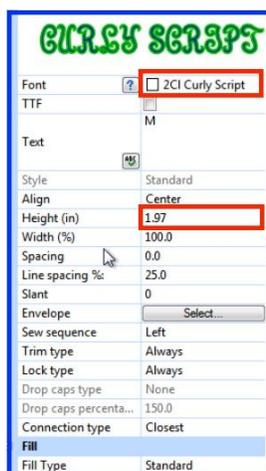
Figure #2



Instructions for Monogram

1. Create monogram using [BES® Embroidery Lettering Software3](#) as follows:

- Open the software and select a single letter or combination of letters using Normal Text. Change colors as desired and center the font in the workspace. We used one letter and selected the two-color Curly Script font. **Note:** For color 1 we matched the shirt. For color 2 we matched the trim on the shirt. *See **Figure #1**.



- From the B pull down menu select Merge. Locate and open the downloaded Golden Scroll design. *See **Figure #2**.

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- Use the tools found under the Arrange tab to flip the selected design and rotate it 45 degrees. *See **Figure #3**.
- Switch to the Home tab to Copy and Paste the design. Next, return to the Arrange tab. Select Flip Vertical to make a mirror image of the copy. *See **Figure #4**.

2. Make a matching frame for the opposite side as follows:

- Change colors to compliment the monogram. Select both designs by clicking on the segments in the sequence view.



- Use Copy and Paste, then Flip Horizontal to make a mirror image for the opposite side of the monogram. Move the selected pieces until you are pleased with the arrangement. We choose to center our letter between the motifs. *See **Figure #5**.
- Save design and transfer to machine.

Note: It is possible to select one or more segment at a time by using a click and drag method. In addition, there are a variety of tools and options for aligning the segments, including grid lines for placement within the workspace. Yet another option involves nudging the parts with keyboard keys. *See **Figure #6**. We recommend reading the manual for more details.

3. Stabilize the wrong side of the shirt by lightly fusing the cut away mesh to the wrong side. Add a water-soluble topping along with a layer of lightweight tear away. *See next page for more stabilizer tips. Embroider the monogram combination in your desired location. Gently pull back excess stabilizer and cut, leaving a margin of 1/2-1-inch all around the outer edges of the design. Press the stabilizer to securely fuse it to the shirt.

You are finished.

*Please see the next page for more options and ideas.

Figure #3

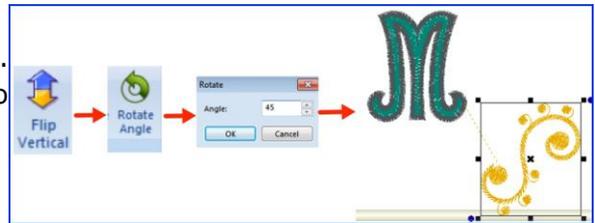


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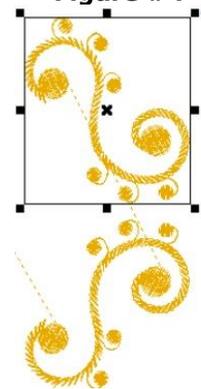


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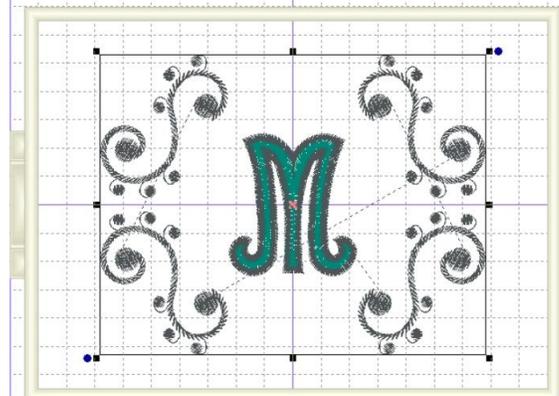
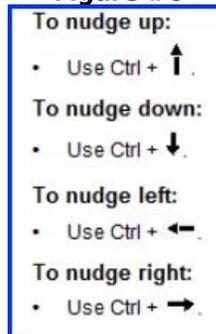


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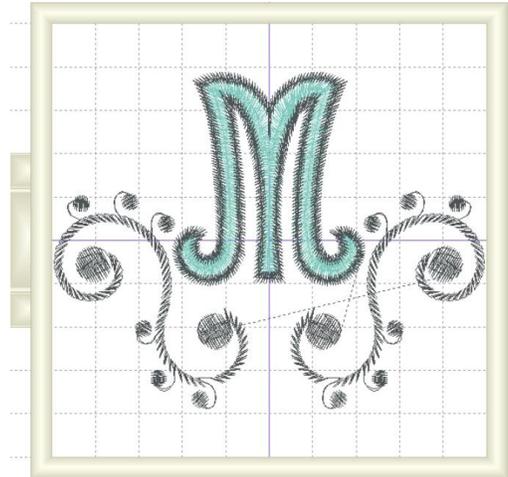


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Options and Ideas:

- If your hooded sweatshirt has a zipper front it is likely you will need to use a smaller design layout. *See Figure #7 for an example of a monogram and scroll to fit a 4" X 4" hoop.
- Monogrammed hoodies are a great item to make for groups such as sport teams, bridal parties, clubs, and even for special events like family vacations and reunions. Make a list of the sizes you need and be sure to purchase all of the garments at one time. Create one design and then save as a .brf file in the software. Simply replace the center letter for each new design file.
- Visit the [BES® Embroidery Lettering Software3](#) page for details about the program including inspirational ideas and more project instructions.
- Please read the stabilizer tips included here for additional information.

Figure #7



Stabilizer Tips:

You will find the following stabilizer recipe suitable for most T-shirt and sweatshirt knits:

- First, lightly fuse [SA5931](#) (Medium Weight Fusible Cut-Away) to the wrong side, covering an area large enough for the entire combination of embroidery designs.
- Next, add a layer of [SA520](#) (Water Soluble Stabilizer) on top, prior to hooping the shirt. **Note:** Using a water-soluble topping helps keep stitches from sinking into the small rib texture often found on knits.
- Finally, add a layer of [SA5810](#), Medium Weight Tear-Away underneath the hoop.
- When finished with embroidery remove the topping and the tear away, pull back the lightly fused stabilizer, trim excess, and then permanently fuse the stabilizer as a final step. Be sure to leave a margin of stabilizer around the design. This helps keep the embroidery smooth after laundering.