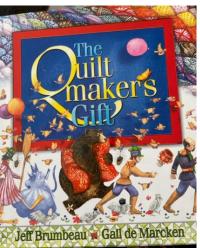
## Testimonies: Simplicity – Integrity- Community AGES: 5 – All



Title: The Quiltmakers Gift Author: Jeff Brumbeau Illustrator: Gail de Marcken ISBN: 13-978-0-439-30910-3 Publisher: Scholastic Press

Synopsis: Generous quiltmaker agrees to make a quilt for a greedy King, only under specific circumstances, and the King learns about simplicity, integrity and community.

## **Suggested Activities:**

After reading the story ask children how the Quaker SPICES are found in the story and our shared values.

Simple: Bookmarks- Make a bookmark template ( about 6.5cm x 20cm) to make quilt squares on the bookmark and colour the squares. Have children give it to someone in the Meeting who loves to read. You can have quilt designs already printed on template to make it easier for young children.

Intermediate: Banner - Cut 12x 12 inch squares out of plain or light-coloured



fabric or heavy paper. Have each child pick a quilt square from the inside covers of the book or have pre-printed quilt squares for the children to select from and colour. When completed put a letter on each one to spell SPICES and hang in the Meeting House.

Advanced: Wall Hanging or Quilt (Takes more than an hour – good for a special get together. On 8x8 paper, using markers, children make colourful designs that fill the paper. Then using a

watercolour make a light colour wash so there are no white spaces on the paper. Send photos of each square design to be made into a wall hanging or quilt top.

Supplies:

- Bookmark: Template and markers
- Banner: 12x12 cloth squares. Markers, ribbon, iron
- Quilt/wall-hanging: 8x8 paper squares, markers, watercolours, brushes, phone camera.