

PAPER PIECING BASIC INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place a piece of fabric on #1. Make sure the fabric is large enough to cover ALL of #1 and extend at least 1/4" over the edges.

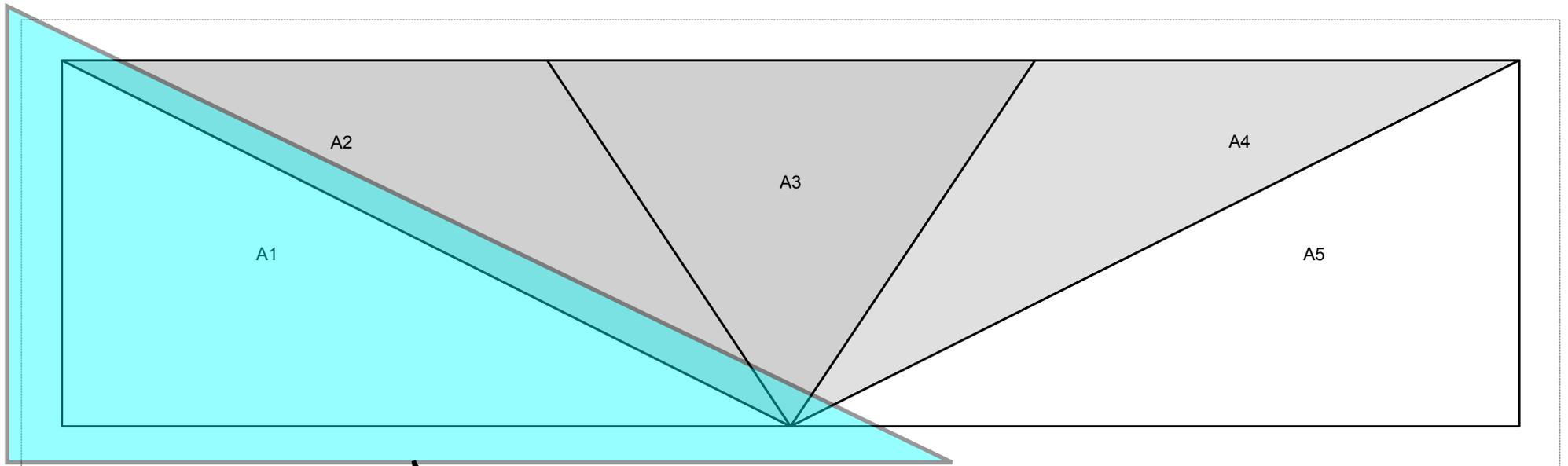
The fabric and paper should be WRONG SIDES TOGETHER (this applies to the first piece ONLY).

2. Lay the fabric for #2 on top of the #1 fabric; right side down (so now fabric #1 & fabric # 2 are now right sides together).
3. Hold paper, fabric #1 & fabric #2 in place; flip over and stitch on the line between #1 and #2. (backstitch at the beginning and at the end).
4. Press seam carefully. Trim seam allowance down to 1/4" (1/8" for very small pieces). Be careful NOT to cut the paper!
5. Now place a piece of fabric (large enough to cover #3) on top of #2 (so that #2 & #3 are right sides together). Again make sure that the piece extends at least 1/4" over all edges of #3.
6. Hold paper and fabric in place, flip over and stitch on line between #2 & #3, backstitching at beginning and end.
7. Press seam carefully. Trim seam allowance down to 1/4" (1/8" for very small pieces). Be careful NOT to cut the paper!
8. Repeat until all sections are done!

TIPS:

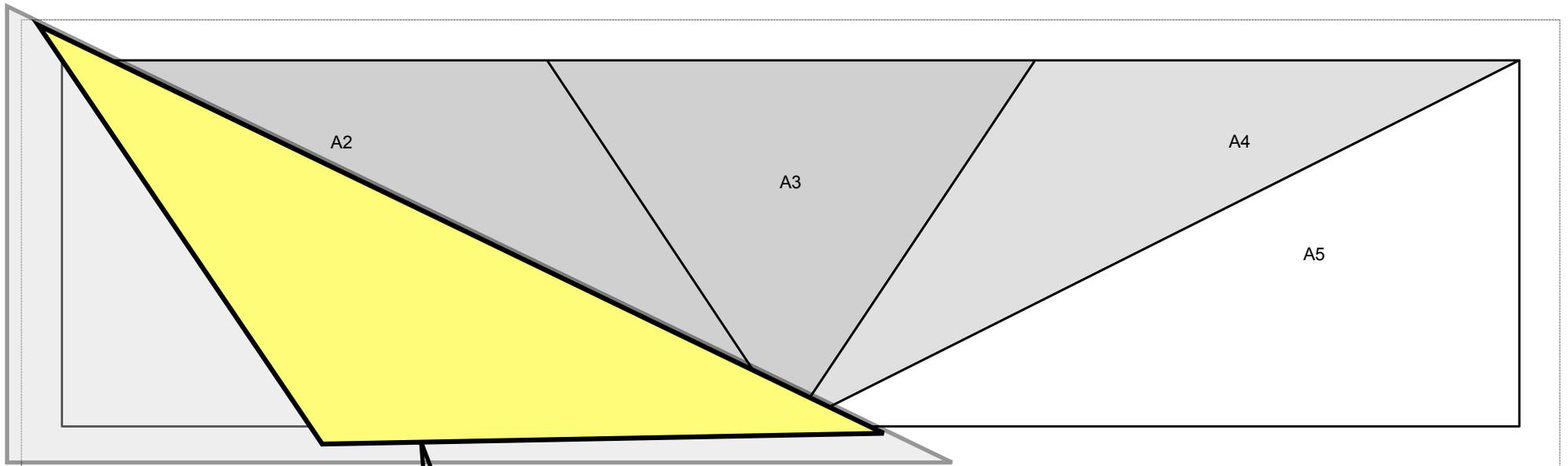
- * Adjust your stitch length to your project (smaller stitch for smaller pieces)
- * No need for expensive/specialty papers - use inexpensive copy paper instead. Avoid newsprint or phone book paper)

Step # 1



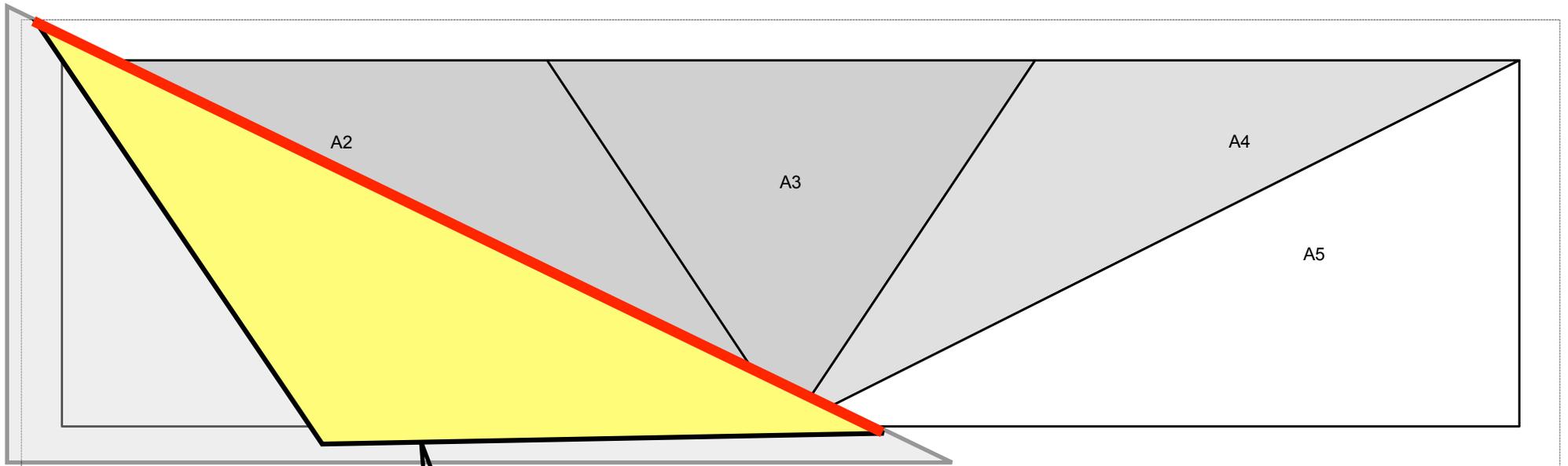
Fabric # 1
(paper and fabric
are wrong sides
together)

Step # 2



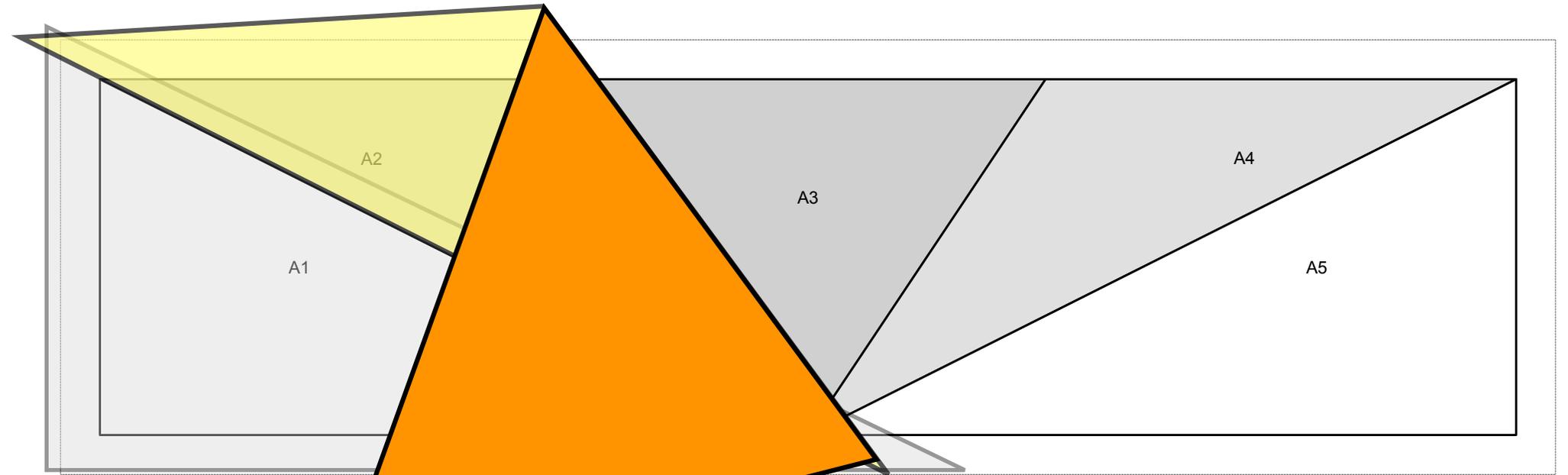
Fabric # 2
(fabric 1 and fabric 2
are right sides
together)

Step # 3 & 4



Stitch on line, press and trim seam allowances

Step # 5



Fabric # 3
(fabric #2 & #3 are right
sides together)

Step # 6 & 7

