

Fleece blanket instructions: WE will tie the fleece at conference!!!

To make a cozy fleece tie blanket, stack two pieces of fleece (wrong sides together), trim the edges, and cut a 4 to 5-inch square from each corner. Cut 1-inch wide strips, matching the length of your corners, all around the blanket. Tie the corresponding top and bottom strips into double knots.

Supplies Needed

- **Fleece Fabric:** 2 coordinating yards of anti-pill or blizzard fleece (e.g., one solid and one patterned) for a standard throw.
- **Scissors:** Sharp fabric shears or a rotary cutter with a cutting mat.
- **Measuring Tools:** A long ruler or yardstick.

Step-by-Step Instructions

1. **Layer and Align:** Lay both pieces of fleece flat on top of each other with the "right" (more vibrant) sides facing outward. Trim any jagged edges so that the two fabrics align perfectly and remove the white, stiff factory selvage edges.
2. **Cut the Corners:** Cut a 4 to 5-inch square out of all four corners through both layers of fabric. This prevents the blanket from bunching up at the ends.
3. **Cut the Fringe:** Cut 1-inch wide strips all the way around the blanket. Make your cuts the same depth as the squares you removed in step 2 (e.g., 4 or 5 inches deep). Cut through *both* layers at once so the top and bottom fringes match.
4. **Tie the Knots:** Gather the top and bottom strip of each pair. Tie them together into a standard overhand knot (like tying a balloon) or a square knot, pushing the knot tightly up against the base of the fabric. Work your way around all four sides.

Alternative Tying Methods

If you do not want bulky knots, try one of these finishing touches:

- **The Loop-Through (Pull-Through) Method:** Cut a small, 1-inch slit near the base of each fringe strip. Take both pieces of your fringe, thread them through the slit, and pull gently to secure them in a flat loop. [[1](#), [2](#)]
- **The Braided Edge:** Fold the fringe in half, poke a small hole in the middle, and "crochet" the strips into each other to create a braided border. [[1](#)]