

Bottom edge of upper front piece and top edge of lower front piece should meet in center. Turn backpack right side out.

### SEW LINING TOGETHER

Fold gusset lining in half with RS together, seam narrow ends together  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from edge.

Pin gusset around outside edge of back piece with RS together, attach gusset to back piece, seam  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from edge.

Fold bottom edge of upper front piece over  $\frac{1}{2}$ ", WS together, and press.

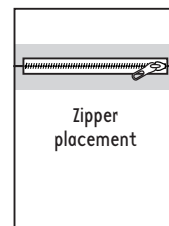
Fold top edge of lower front over  $\frac{1}{2}$ ", WS together, and press.

With WS of both front pieces facing up, pin zipper, RS up, to folded edge of upper front piece and folded edge of lower front piece (see diagram). Sew zipper in place.

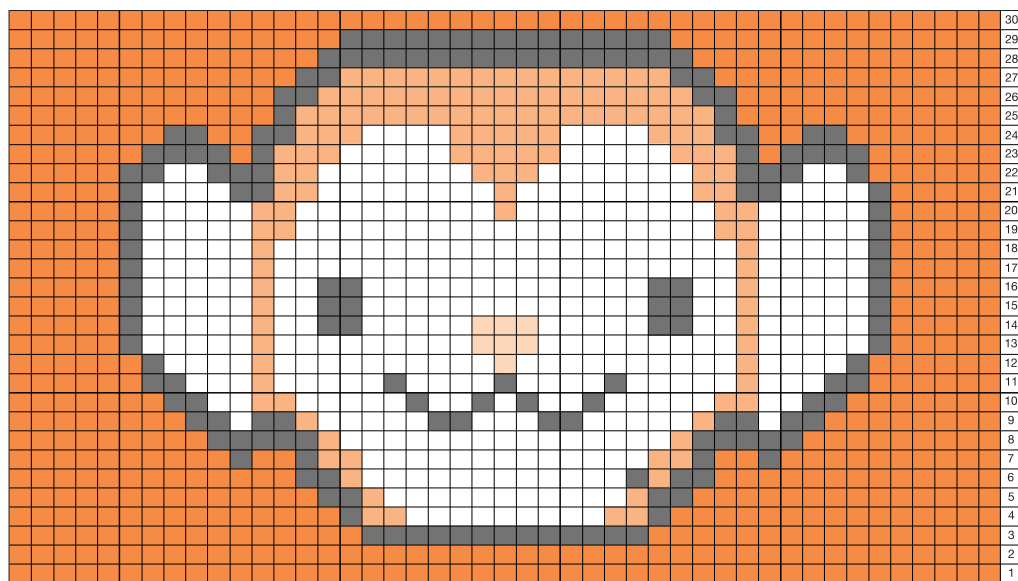
Pin front piece (with zipper sewn in) to opposite edge of gusset, RS together, and attach gusset to front piece, seam  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from edge.

### SEW LINING TO BACKPACK

Insert lining into backpack so that WS are together and zipper is centered at opening. Pin bottom edge of upper front and top edge of lower front to top and bottom of zipper, and hand-sew zipper into center of opening with sewing needle and thread. With short piece of yarn, graft seams on either side of zipper.



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**ABOUT HEATHER** My first knitting project was for a Girl's Brigade badge (New Zealand's Girl Scouts). I quit soon after because I had more holes than stitches. Nine years later, I tried again on a pair of huge wooden needles, and

I knit up a chunky-arse scarf in an hour. I can't seem to use a pattern, so I usually knit freshly, which means I can

end up with something completely different from what I envisioned. When I knit or sew (another pastime), I listen to loud music; bands like Foo Fighters, Pacifier, and Rage Against the Machine get me knitting at a breakneck pace. At the moment, I'm trying to learn bass guitar so I can make music of my own. My favorite thing is going to rock concerts with friends, but that doesn't happen too often when you live in a small town in New Zealand.

