Here are the basic instructions for the teddy bear pattern. Please let me know if you have ANY questions.

1) Download and print the pattern out (it will print as two 8.5 x 11 pieces of paper) and tape the two pieces together.

2) Cut out the pattern.

3) Choose fabric (preferably soft fabrics like flannel, minkee, fleece, etc, however cotton also works)

4) Place the right sides of the fabric together

5) Trace pattern on the wrong side of one piece of the fabric. Ideally please use a fabric vanishing / disappearing ink marker, however if you have to use a regular marker, please use a fine tip marker and one that is lighter than the black shown in the pictures below as a dark marker may show through the fabric.

NOTE: To ensure the correct size of the finished teddy bear please sew directly on the line that you have traced.

6) Cut the bear outline out of the material however PLEASE do NOT cut on the line you traced, but instead cut approximately 1/4-1/2 " from the line you've traced. You can also cut out a general shape and cut closer to the line after you've sewn. (please see attached pictures for clarification and let me know if you have any questions)
7) Using the pattern, please mark where to embroider the eyes, nose and mouth on one side of the bear. I place the pattern on the side that’s traced and then folding the material and pattern back I mark on the right side of the fabric where to put the nose and eyes and then I eyeball the mouth.

8) Hand or machine embroider the face using embroidery thread (PLEASE DO NOT use paint or markers to do the faces). You can also use a piece of wool felt for the nose and stitch it on with embroidery thread as this will save a little time embroidering the face.

9) Sew around the bear, sewing on the line you traced, leaving a small opening in one of the legs (this hole will be used to stuff the bear).

10) Turn the bear right side out.

11) Stuff the bear with polyfill. Please make sure to fill the entire bear, however be careful NOT to stuff the bear too full or the bear will not be as soft or as cuddly as we would like it to be for the children and if you try to stuff it too full it may burst the seam.

12) Hand stitch the opening closed

Additional notes:
Please use colorful, bright and soft fabrics, preferably knit, flannel, minkee, fleece or soft cotton.

I've been mixing and matching doing one side with flannel or knit and the other side (the back) with minkee or fleece.