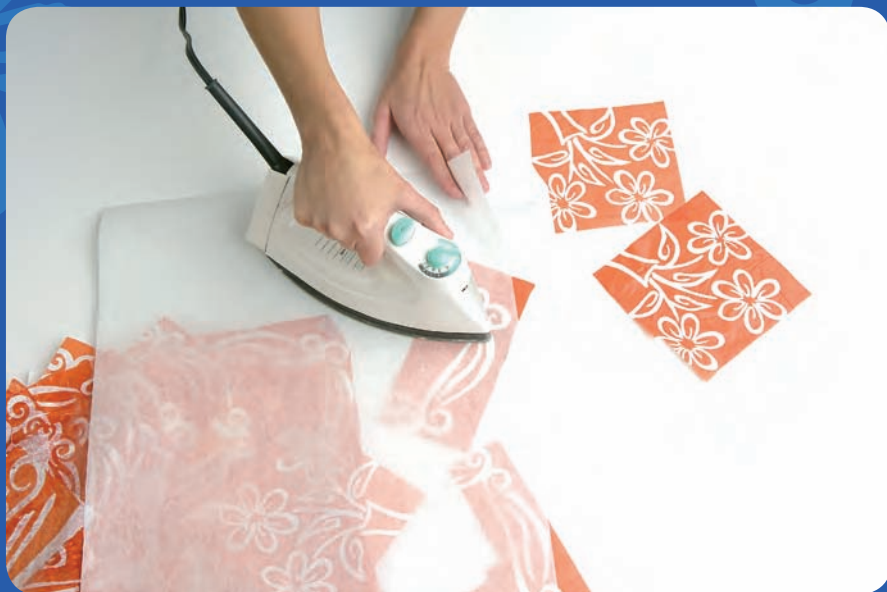


*Before you begin creating any recycled project...  
you will first need to create your plastic "fabric" material.*



### *How To Create Plastic Fabric*

Supplies: Plastic Bags, Fusible Interfacing, Parchment Paper, Iron

1. Save your plastic shopping bags, and cut them into manageable pieces. If you prefer a single color, cut squares from portions of the bags that contain that color and save the scraps for later projects.
2. Lay parchment paper down on your work surface.
3. Measure and cut enough fusible interfacing to make up the back of your "fabric". Keep in mind that the fabric will shrink when heat is applied.
4. Place the fusible interfacing on top of the parchment paper, and place a layer of plastic bag pieces on top of the interfacing as shown.
5. Lay a second layer of parchment paper on top of the plastic pieces—parchment paper is very important for this project, as it protects your iron and your work surface.
6. With a careful up and down motion, use a warm iron to apply short amounts of heat to the parchment paper—you may need to try a few settings to find just the right temperature. When you're sure the plastic is fused to the interfacing, carefully peel the parchment paper away from the fabric.