

# 6/2010 Girl's dress with empire waist

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## Materials

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## Step 1 — Preparation

Trace the pattern pieces from the pattern sheet.

The buttonholes on piece 21 are marked for size 104. For sizes 110 â 128, mark the top buttonhole the same distance from neck edge as for size 104. The bottom buttonhole is in the same place for all sizes.

Seam and hem allowances:

Seams and edges 1.5 cm (5/8 in). Hem allowance is already included in the measurement for the skirt pieces.

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## Step 2 — Cutting Out



21 front 2x

22 back, on a fold 2x

one of which as inside piece

23 inside front 2x

a) 2 skirt panels, each 50 â' 52 â' 55 â' 57 â' 60 cm (19 3/4 â' 20 1/2 â' 21 3/4 â' 22 1/2â' 23 3/4 ins) long, incl. 5 cm (2 ins) hem allowance, and 59 â' 60 â' 61 â' 63 â' 65 cm (23 1/4 â' 23 3/4 â' 24 1/2 â' 24 3/4 â' 25 3/4 ins) wide,

b) tie belt, 120 cm (47 1/4 ins) long, 10 cm (4 ins) wide, finished width 5 cm (2 ins).

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## Step 3 — Pleats

Hand-baste along marked lines for pleat folds on fronts to make these lines visible on right side of fabric.

Fold each fronts on first pleat line, wrong side facing in. Press pleat and topstitch as marked on pattern. Then press and topstitch remaining pleats, one after the other. Press pleats to one side.

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## Step 4 — Stitch shoulder seams

Stitch shoulder seams, including those on inside pieces. Press seams open.

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## **Step 5 — Stitch along front edges, neck edge and armholes**

Lay outer and inner front and back pieces right sides together. Stitch along front edges, neck edge and armholes. Trim seam allowances, trimming corners diagonally. Clip curves several times. Turn dress bodice right side out by pulling fronts into back, through tunnels at shoulders. Press edges.

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## **Step 6 — Right side seam**

Lay inside pieces up again. Stitch right side seam on outer front and back pieces and on inside pieces as a continuous seam. Lay inner and outer pieces wrong sides together again. Baste together along left side edges and lower edges.

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## **Step 7 — Buttonholes**

Work buttonholes in right front. Lay right front on left front, matching centres, and baste lower edges together.

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## **Step 8 — Stitch right side seam on skirt**

Stitch right side seam on skirt. For zip opening, measure and mark 10 cm (4 ins) down from upper edge on left side edges of skirt.

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## **Step 9 — Stitch skirt to dress bodice**

Gather upper edge of skirt to match dress bodice. Stitch skirt to dress bodice. Trim seam allowances to 7 mm (1/4 in) wide, neaten together and press up.

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## **Step 10 — Zipper**

Sew invisible zip to left side edges, to marking. Stitch left side seam from lower edge to zip. Turn in top ends of zip tapes and sew in place.

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## **Step 11 — Pleats on skirt**

Press lower edge of skirt to wrong side of fabric, 1 cm (3/8 in) wide. Mark pleat folds on right side of fabric, 9 cm, 11.5 cm and 14 cm (3 1/2, 4 1/2 and 5 1/2 ins) from lower edge of skirt. Work from right side to press each pleat fold and topstitch 7 m (1/4 in) wide. Press pleats down. Fold hem allowance to inside, 4 cm (1 5/8 ins) wide, and press. Working from right side, stitch hem in place, under pleat.

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## **Step 12 — Tie belt**

Fold tie belt lengthwise, right side facing in. Trim ends at an angle. Stitch edges stitch together, leaving a section of seam open for turning. Turn belt right side out. Sew seam opening closed.

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