# **Your Simple Plan**

- Step 1 Clear Surfaces so you can work
- Step 2 Group Like With Like (wide, simple categories)
- Step 3 Purge What You Do Not Use (kind, firm rules)
- Step 4 Assign Simple Homes for what remains

## **Clear Surfaces Checklist**

Set a 15 minute timer

Take everything off the main work surface

Sort quickly into 3 bins: Keep / Toss / Not Sure

Wipe the surface

Put back only weekly tools

## **Sorting Categories**

Fabric by type or project use

Notions (zippers, elastic, bias tape)

Tools and hardware

Patterns and books

Paper, vinyl, adhesives

Paint, brushes, finishes

Kids craft supplies

Work in progress (WIP) projects

Label piles with sticky notes. Use simple rules (e.g., fabric by type first, then color later).

# **Purge Decision Guide**

- Did I use it in the last 12 months?
- Do I love it for the work I do now?
- Will I use it in the next 90 days?
- Could someone else use it more than me?

If 'No'  $\rightarrow$  choose one:

Donate

Recycle

Trash

Storage Planner & Layout									
Measure your storage zones (Width × Depth × Height):									
Under-bed area		Beside desk	Beside desk						
Width (in):		Width (in):							
Depth (in):		Depth (in):							
Height (in):		Height (in):							
Closet floor		Behind door corne	Behind door corner						
Width (in):		Width (in):							
Depth (in):		Depth (in):							
Height (in):		Height (in):							
Closet top shelf									
Width (in):									
Depth (in):									
Height (in):									

# 3 Minute Setup

Roll out craft cart

Place handled caddy on table

Put one project bin on your left

Place a trash bag on your right

Start timer for your craft block

### **5 Minute Reset**

Return tools to caddy

Put scraps in labeled scrap bin

Wipe mat and table

Close project bin and stack it

Roll cart back to its spot

Weekly Focus & Tasks									
Pick one focus bin and schedule your craft block times.  This Week's Focus Bin:									
Craft Block Time(s):									
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun			

### **Beginner-Friendly Tips**

- Start with the smallest surface (a clear 12" square builds momentum).
- Set a short timer (10 minutes is enough).
- Use big categories first; fine sorting later.
- Take before/after photos to see wins.
- Give yourself grace build a room that serves you now.

#### **Smart Ways to Handle Special Items**

Scraps — keep only what you'll use in next 3 projects; store by size.

Sentimental — one small 'Keepsakes' box; limit to that box.

Bulk — split with a friend or donate a portion.

Kids crafts — small reachable bin; put away before grabbing new.

### Your Simple Roadmap

- Clear surfaces so you can work right away.
- Group items into wide, easy categories.
- Purge with kind but firm rules.
- Assign storage that's easy to use and put away.
- Protect with 5-minute habits.