If the general cutting instruction says "A:  $2 \square$ ," cut two squares. If the cutting instruction says "B:  $4 \square \rightarrow \square$ ," cut four squares, then cut the squares once diagonally to make the eight "Piece B" half-square triangles needed for the block. If the cutting instruction says "C:  $1 \boxtimes \rightarrow \boxtimes$ ," cut one square, then cut the square twice diagonally to make the four "Piece C" quarter-square triangles required. If the cutting instruction says "D:  $2 \square$ ," cut two rectangles. If it says "E:  $1 \diamondsuit$ ," or "E:  $1 \diamondsuit$ ," you will need to make a template.

The cutting dimensions or template number for these pieces appear in the columns to the right of the general cutting instructions. For example, if you want to make a Boy's Nonsense block that finishes to 9", follow the general cutting instructions using the dimensions given in the 9" Finished Block Size column:

- The first cutting instruction (A: 2 ⋈→ ⋈) tells you to cut two squares from the light fabric and to cut each square twice diagonally to make a total of eight quarter-square triangles. For a 9" block, cut 4¼" x 4¼" squares.
- The second cutting instruction (B:  $2 \square \rightarrow \square$ ) tells you to cut two squares from the light fabric and to cut each square once diagonally to make a total of four half-square triangles. For a 9" block, cut 3%" x 3%" squares.
- The third cutting instruction (C: 1 □) tells you to cut one square from the dark fabric. For a 9" block, cut a 3½" x 3½" square.
- The final cutting instruction (D: 4 
   ) tells you to cut four on-point rectangles from the dark fabric.
  For a 9" block, use Template 67.

Both the templates and the rotary-cutting dimensions given include 1/4"-wide seam allowances; do not add seam allowances!