Colour Combinations:

Equipment:
1. A mirror measuring 40cm x 40cm (15.75 inches). The actual mirror is 22cm x 22cm (8.66 inches).
2. Tile cutter and nipper
3. Container for mixing your grout
4. Cloth and sponge for wiping off the grout
5. Latex gloves for grouting
6. Carbon paper and pencil for tracing the pattern onto the container.
7. Old paintbrush to use to coat the tiles with glue.
8. Black marker pen

Materials:
1. White soluble PVA adhesive or keycoat.
2. Ceramic tiles: Tile measures 15cmx15cm (5.9 inches)
   - 1 tile
   - 2 tiles
3. Wood glue / WeldBond.
4. White or dark grey grout - the pattern will work with either depending on the color choice.
5. Grout sealant
6. White or black acrylic paint to paint the back of the piece

All tiles used for this piece are ceramic
**How To:**

1. Paint your container with 50% diluted white PVA adhesive or keycoat. This will prepare and seal them. Trace on your pattern, go over it with a black marker.

2. Cut tiles into random shapes or break them and begin sticking the tiles down. In the first square use mainly white tiles and only a couple of yellow. On the second square use mainly yellow tiles and only a few of the orange. When you stick the tiles down, start following the lines, then fill in the centre pieces. This will look neater and the pattern will then show when you grout it.

3. Once you get to the edge, use the edge of the ceramic tiles for your border. This creates a neat edge to your mosaic.

4. Once you have finished sticking down all your pieces, your work should look something like this. Don’t be scared to use quite small pieces to stick down when creating your mosaic. As long as you leave some space for the grout, the tile will hold. When you grout, mix the grout into a smooth paste and use a flat knife or spatula to apply it to the mosaic. Be gentle with your mosaic as you don’t want the tiles to work loose.

   I find that if I use a sponge to gently rub the grout in I don’t have bubbles or cracks forming.

   Once the grout is semi-dry, wipe off the excess with old newspaper.

   Wear your latex gloves or you won’t have any skin left on your fingers!

5. Above is a close-up shot after I had finished grouting the piece. As you can see, the colours flow into one another, but you can still see the original pattern.

6. Paint the edges and back of the frame with white or black acrylic paint. This will finish your piece of and also help secure the tiles on the edge of the piece.

   Last but not least, do not forget to seal your mosaic with grout sealant.
Pattern Reference Code: FR001

Sunburst Frame

26.5 cm (10.43 inches)
The Pattern: