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The characters on the My Community™ cartridge were designed by:

Brenda Birrell

I love life and know it is best when shared with family and friends by spending time together and being thankful for one another. Creating thoughtful cards and journaling scrapbooking memories will bring joy to your life and those around you as you create from your heart. Life can get crazy busy and that’s why I was delighted to create designs for the Cricut™ Personal Electronic Cutter™ — to help simplify your life and keep projects quick and easy.

I feel very lucky to be able to play at work and the very best part is sharing the designs with you! I’ve been blessed to be surrounded by a special team of talented friends who share my dream of “simple creativity.” Together we create images that will bring a smile to all of your paper projects.

Brenda Birrell is the founder of Pebbles in my Pocket and Pebbles Inc. She can be found with a camera in hand in Orem, Utah with her husband and five daughters. Just follow the flash!
ABOUT THIS CARTRIDGE
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Selecting Characters
How to use the Shift and Shift Lock keys

To select a character from the upper right corner of a key, use the Shift key on the keypad. You don’t need to hold it down. Just press Shift once and make your selection.

Use the Shift Lock key to select more than one character at a time from the upper right corners of keys. Press the Shift Lock key again to deselect it.
What Is Real Dial Size?

Most Base characters are measured from the lowest possible point to the highest, but in My Community™ the black (non-shifted) characters and the gray (shifted) characters are created at the same height. The Layers and Shadow features are sized proportionately to fit the Base characters. If Real Dial Size is selected, all characters will be cut according to the selected dial size.

There are three exceptions. Even if Real Dial Size is selected, the Train Engine, Coal Car, and Passenger Car are proportionate to the Caboose, the Grass is proportionate to the House, and all the Puzzle pieces are proportionate to the Foundation Puzzle piece. (Read more about Foundation keys on page 7.)
What Are Creative Feature Keys?

The top three pairs of keys on the left panel are reserved for the Creative Feature effects of each set. These Features vary with each specific cartridge, providing greater versatility and thousands of options!

The Creative Feature keys included on the My Community™ cartridge are Layers, Puzzle, Tile, Notebook, Shadow, and Blackout.

To use a Creative Feature key, just select it prior to pressing the CUT button. The characters displayed on the screen will then be cut in the style of the selected Creative Feature. Due to their sizes and shapes, a Feature may not work with all shapes. Please refer to the Icon Gallery for Creative Feature details.

TIP: A Feature can be selected before or after a character has been selected, but before the CUT button is pressed. Once pressed, a Feature key will remain lit until it is turned off in one of the following ways: the Feature key is pressed a second time or the Reset All key is pressed.
What Is a Foundation Key?

The My Community™ cartridge contains two Foundation keys with one character on the first key and two characters on the second key. Foundation shapes are the solid version of images that were used as Creative Features, or proportional images that Creative Feature keys can be used with.
In the Icon Gallery, you will find a diagram for every character on your cartridge. The color change indicates that the image on the upper right is created using the Shift key and the image on the lower left is created without Shift. Using the Icon Gallery, you can see at a glance which Creative Features are available to use with the character that you have selected. You will find that some characters are very detailed and cut better at a larger dial size.

My Community™ Creative Features:
- Layers
- Puzzle
- Tile
- Notebook
- Shadow
- Blackout
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You will find the most current help and documentation on the web site. Find answers to FAQs and Troubleshooting problems any time of the day.

INTERNET: www.cricut.com

Refer to the Customer Support information that came with your Cricut™ machine or call for Customer Support options at:

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