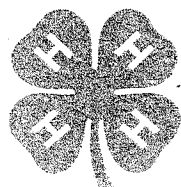
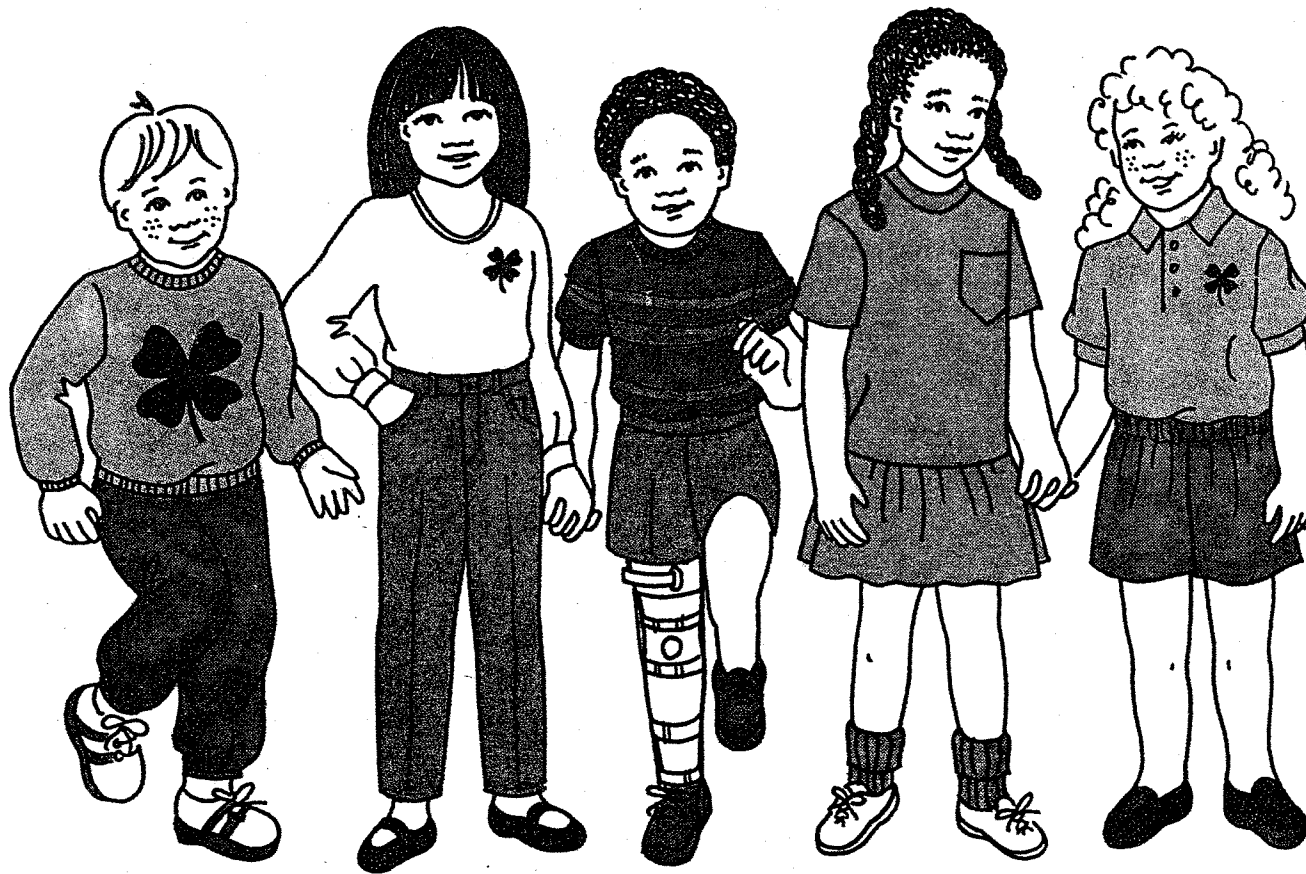
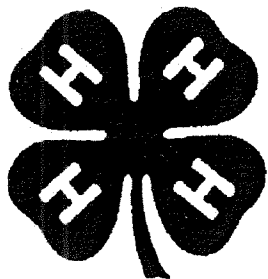


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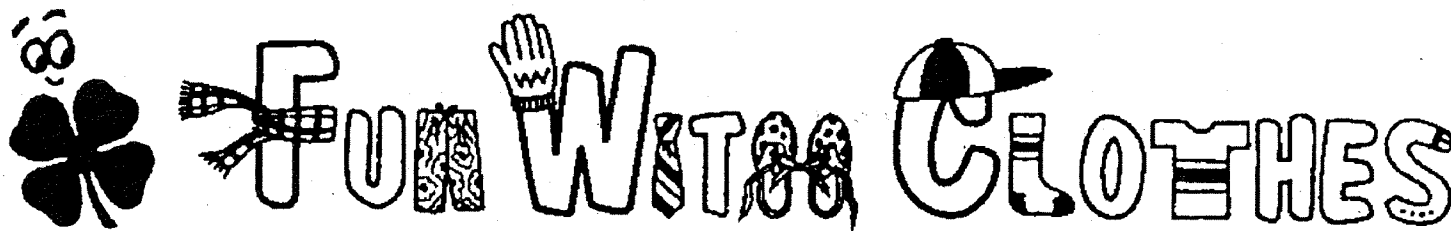
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FUN WITH CLOTHES

In this project you will have lots of fun learning about lots of things! It lets you be creative, make choices and is challenging.

What is it all about? Here are a few topics:

Sewing skills...

- making lots of creative projects!
- exploring fiber and fabrics!

Looking good...

- improving your posture.
- choosing the right clothes!
- caring for your clothes.

Shopping skills...

- knowing where to shop.
- looking at labels!

Special topics...

- clothes from around the world!
- clothes for special jobs.

Come on, let's get started...



*Have
Fun!*



My Sewing Tool Box



You will need:

- small cardboard box
- scissors
- glue
- fabric scraps, colored paper

What you do:

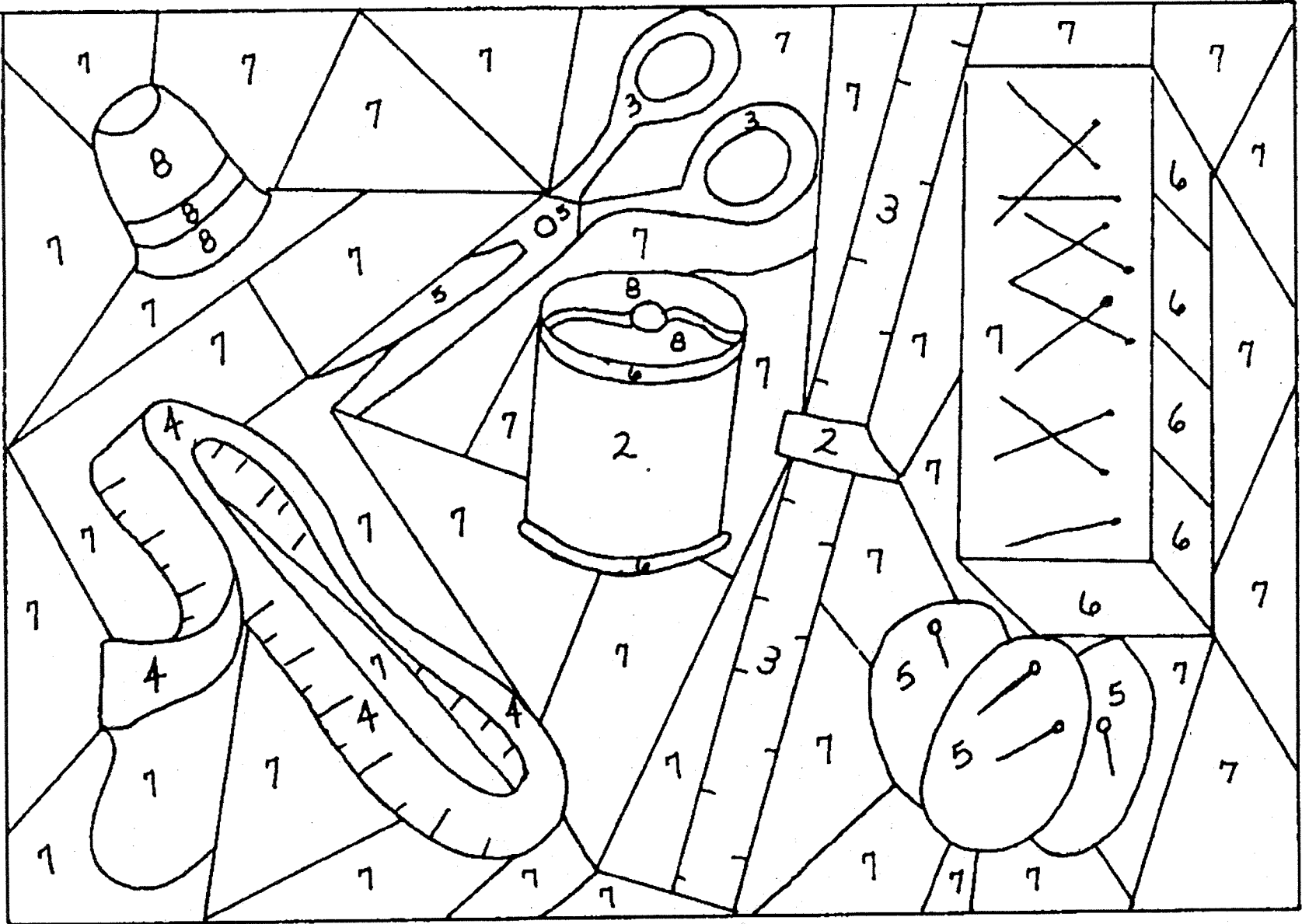
- Decorate your sewing box.
- Place your sewing tools inside.

Sewing Tools:

- ✓ pins
- ✓ needles
- ✓ scissors
- ✓ ruler
- ✓ thread



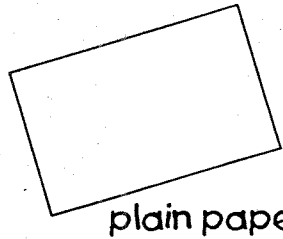
Find your sewing tools!



Color Codes: 1 = green 2 = red 3 = blue 4 = yellow 5 = brown 6 = black 7 = white 8 = orange

Stitchin' Time

You need:



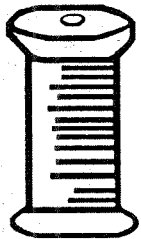
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needle



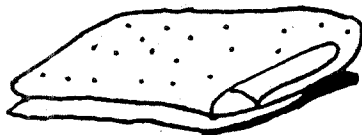
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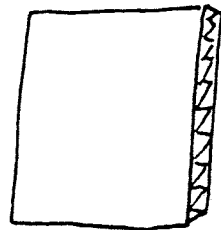
thread



tracing paper



cloth



cardboard
(1" smaller than
picture)



masking tape

You do:

①

Draw a picture of a house, tree, pet or other favorite thing.

②

Put tracing paper under your drawing and lightly trace the lines onto the cloth.

③

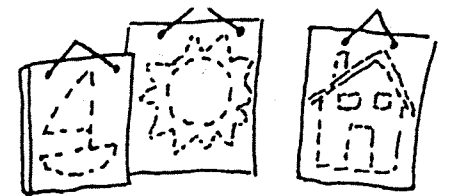
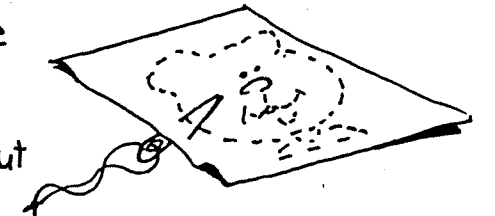
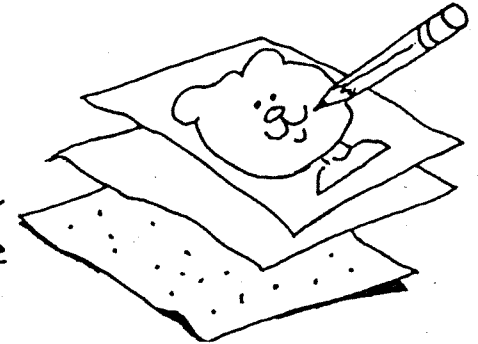
Thread your needle. Double the thread and make a knot at the end.

④

Push the needle through the backside of the cloth. Pull the thread through until the knot stops it. Stitch in and out of the cloth along the lines.

⑤

Stretch your cloth picture over cardboard. Tape edges around the back. Punch holes and tie yarn to hang.

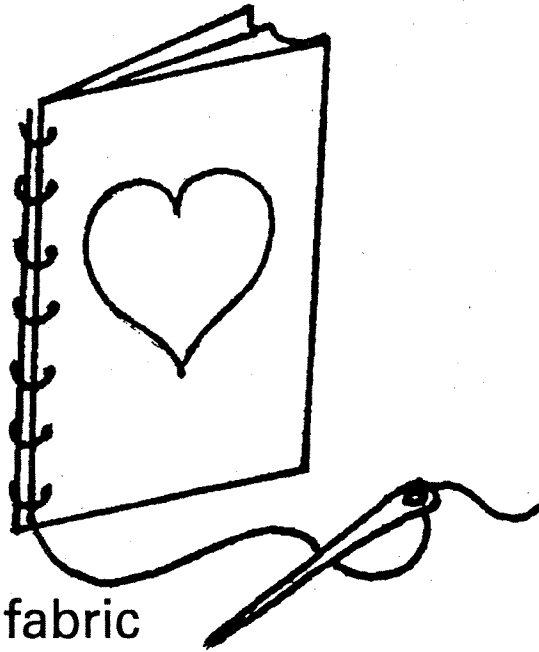


Here are some examples!

A "BOOK" of Needles

You will need:

- small scraps of felt fabric
- needle and thread
- scissors

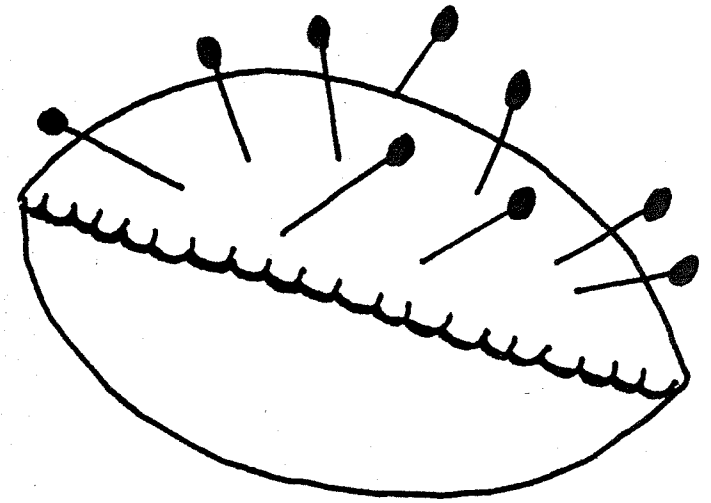


What you do:

- ✓ Cut 4 pieces of the same shape.
- ✓ Place pieces on top of each other.
- ✓ On one side, use overhand stitch to connect all pieces.
- ✓ Insert your needles to complete your book!

Pin

Pillows



Practice your stitching by making this pin cushion.

You will need:

- felt fabric
- needle
- thread
- scissors
- stuffing (cotton, fiberfill, or old panty hose)

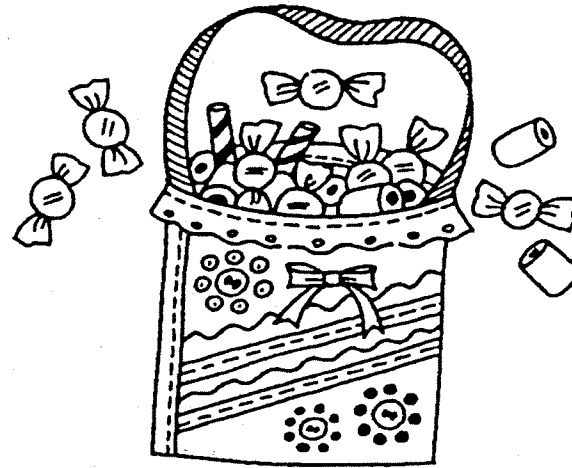
What you do:

- ✓ Cut 2 pieces of felt.
- ✓ Pin the pieces together.
- ✓ Thread needle, use double thread.
- ✓ Stitch together with overhand stitch.
- ✓ Leave 2 inches open. Stuff.
- ✓ Stitch opening closed.

Recycling

Sewing

Sharing



You will need:



- Old jeans
- sewing machine
- needle & thread
- scissors
- ribbon
- decorations
- buttons, lace, paint, fabric, etc.
- popcorn

What you do:

- cut off jean's leg
- stitch bottom closed
- stitch ribbon onto each side at top for handle
- decorate
- fill with popcorn, candy (or whatever you like) to give as a gift!

Share your skills with others.



Fill your bag with candy



and give to someone you care about.



Stuff and Hug !

You will need:

- sewing machine
- old t-shirt
- needle and thread
- fabric scraps, lace, ribbon, buttons, paints, etc. (optional)
- stuffing



Do it again!



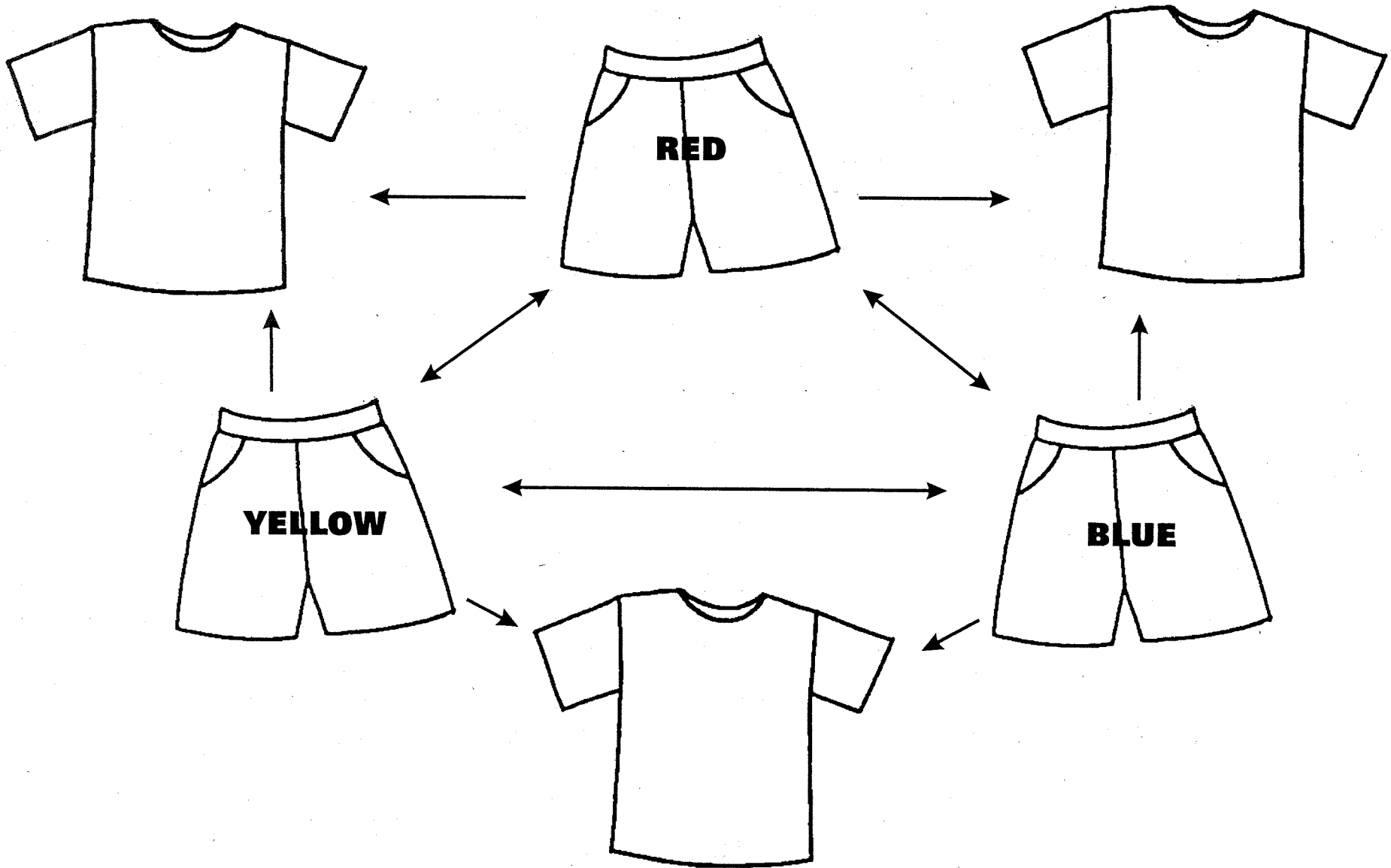
Step 1: sew the bottom and sleeves closed.

Step 2: decorate your t-shirt (optional).

Step 3: stuff the t-shirt through the neck.

Step 4: stitch the neck closed.

Colorful Clothes... Be a Color Chemist!



What colors are your shirts? _____

Posture Check-up!

Try This!

- Stand with your back to a wall.
- Place heels 4 inches from the wall.

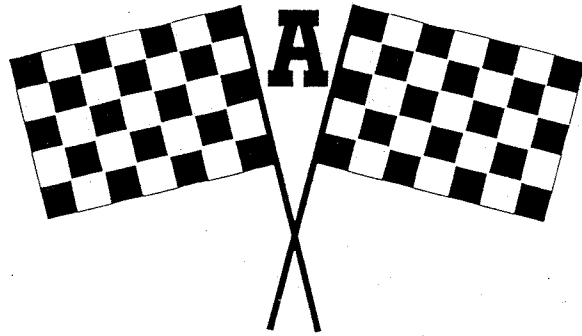


What parts of your body touch the wall? _____

(back of head, shoulders and buttocks)

- Pull your waist back until only 1 or 2 hands can be placed between your body and wall at your waist.
- Now, keep every part in place and walk forward!

Make

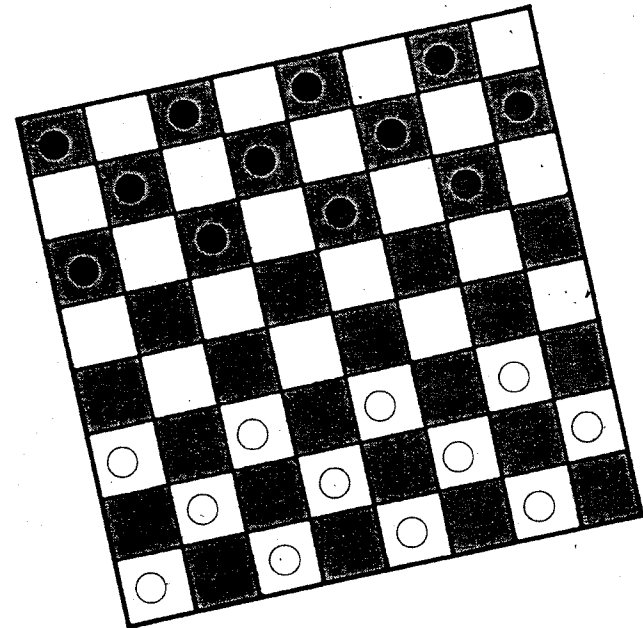


Checker Board

Weaving is one way that fabric is made. Try weaving to make this checkerboard!

You will need:

- 2 sheets of colored paper (different colors) (8½ x 11)
- 1 sheet of construction paper
- scissors
- tape



What you do:

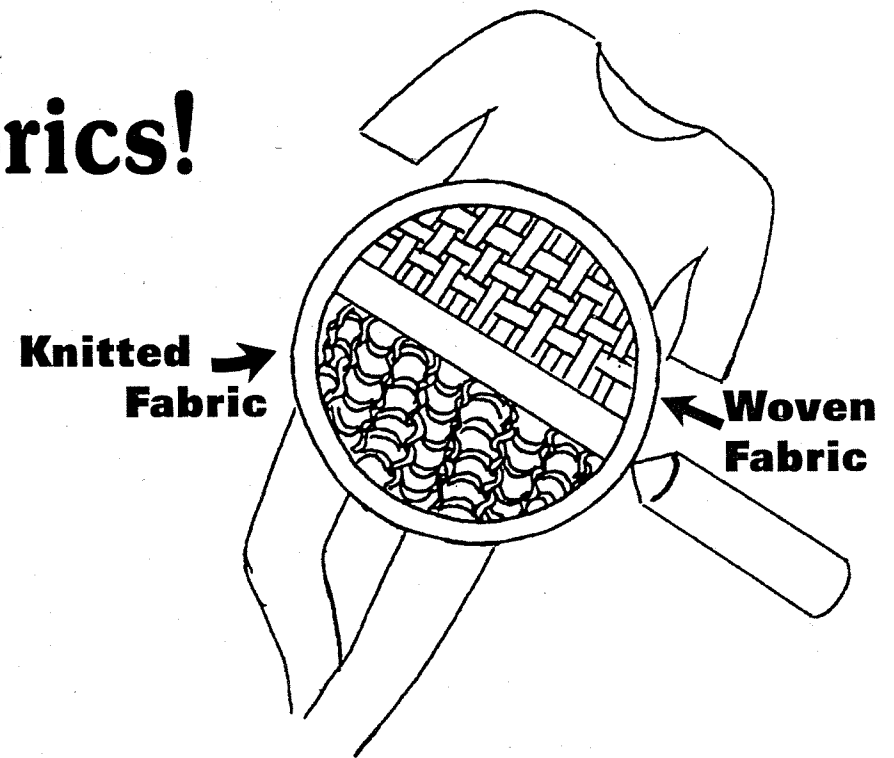
- ✓ Measure and cut 8 1-inch strips from each of the 2 colored sheets of paper.
- ✓ Tape 8 strips of 1 color to the sheet of construction paper.
- ✓ Weave other colored strips over and under taped strips.



A Closer Look at Fabrics!

You will need:

- Magnifying glass
- Different fabrics



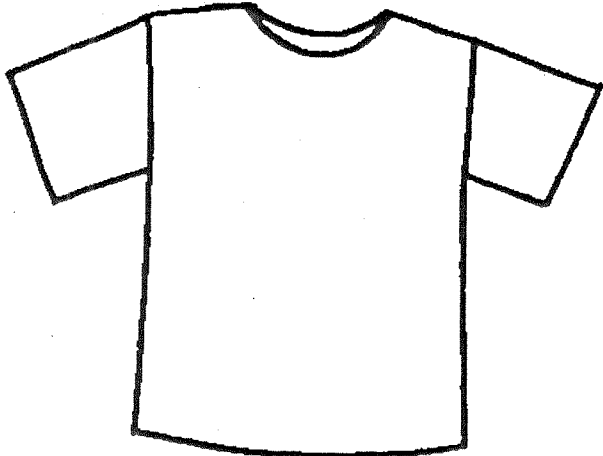
What to do:

- ✓ Look at your fabric.
- ✓ What do you see? _____

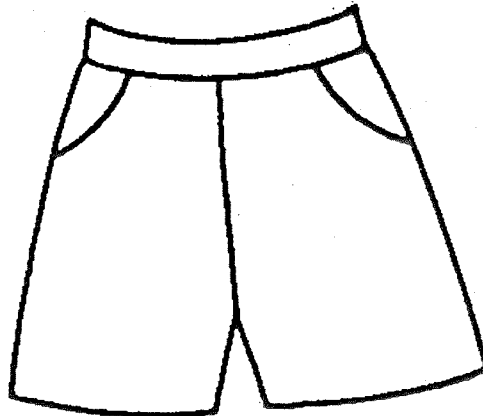
- ✓ Pull some yarns from scraps of fabric.
Look at them under your magnifying glass.
Untwist them to find the smallest part, called a fiber.



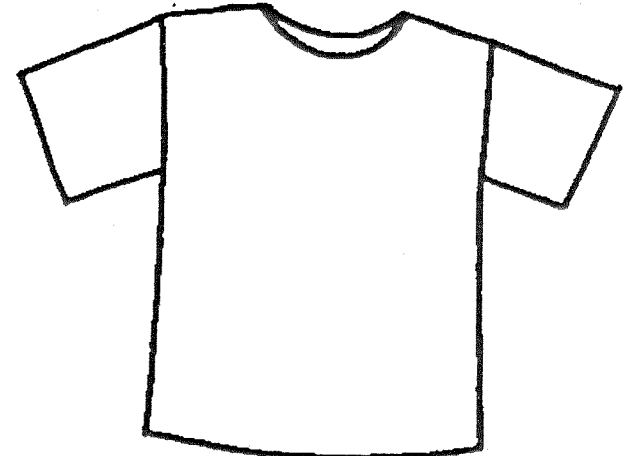
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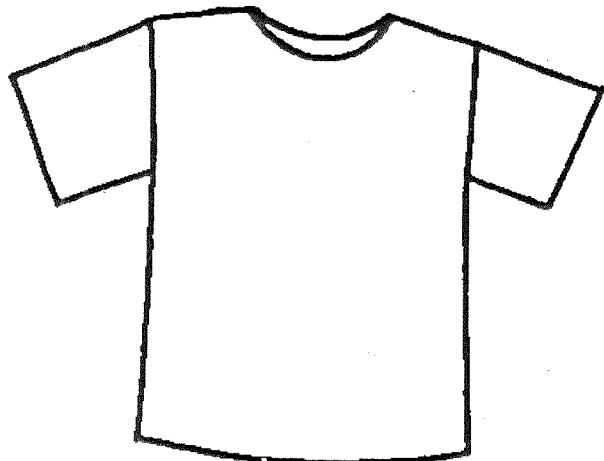
SAD COLOR



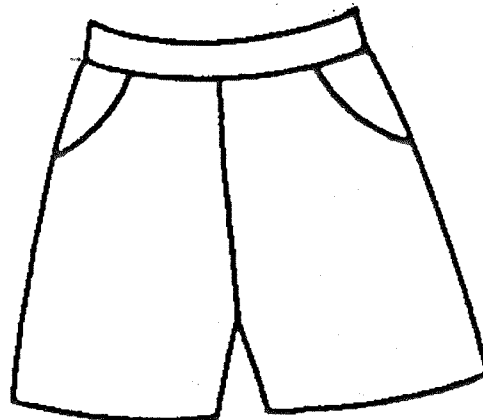
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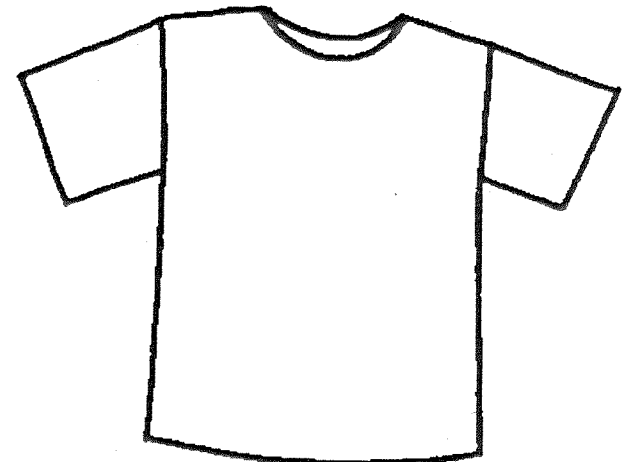
LOUD COLOR



HAPPY COLOR



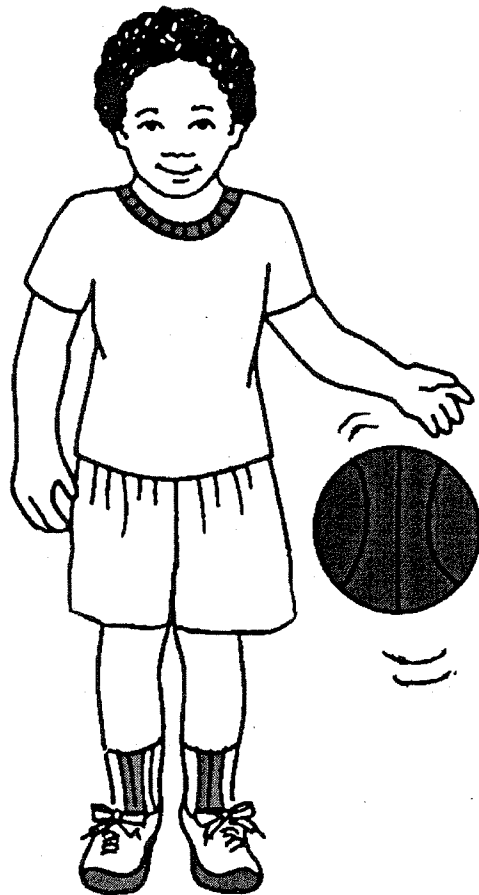
BOLD COLOR



SOFT COLOR

Paste fabric samples that you think express these thoughts!

Cool
Carl!

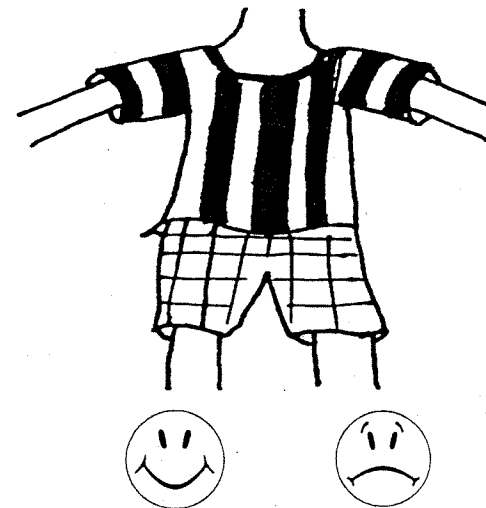
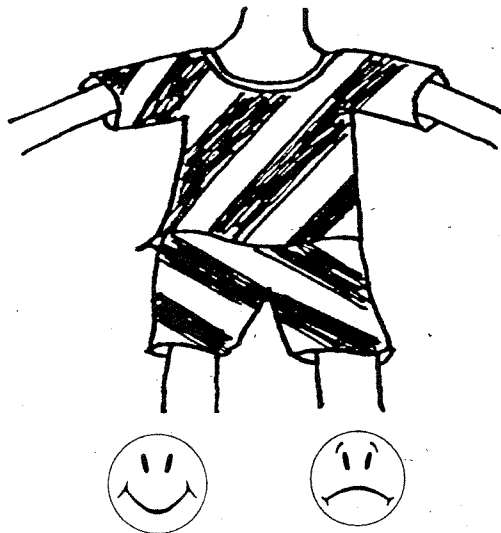
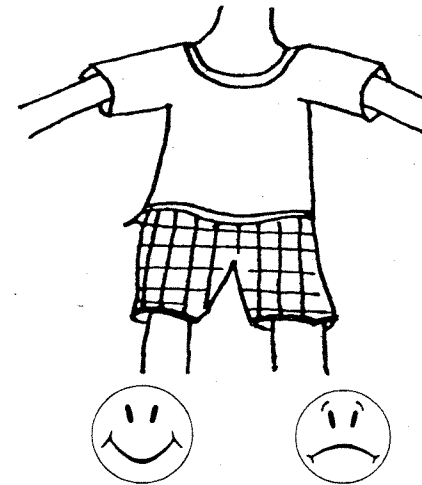
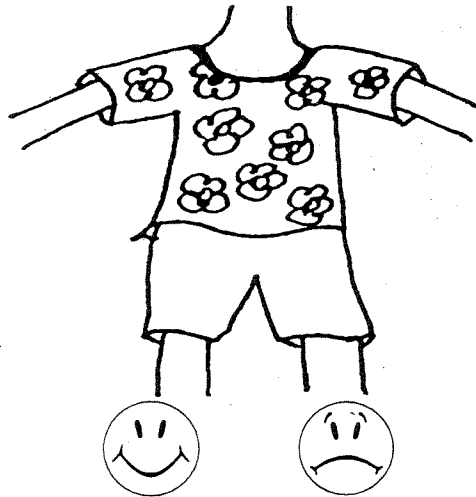
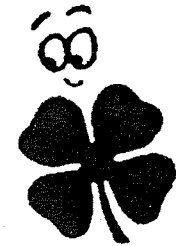


Warm
Wanda!



Cut out fabric clothes for Carl and Wanda. Choose **COOL** and **WARM** colors. Paste your choices to each.

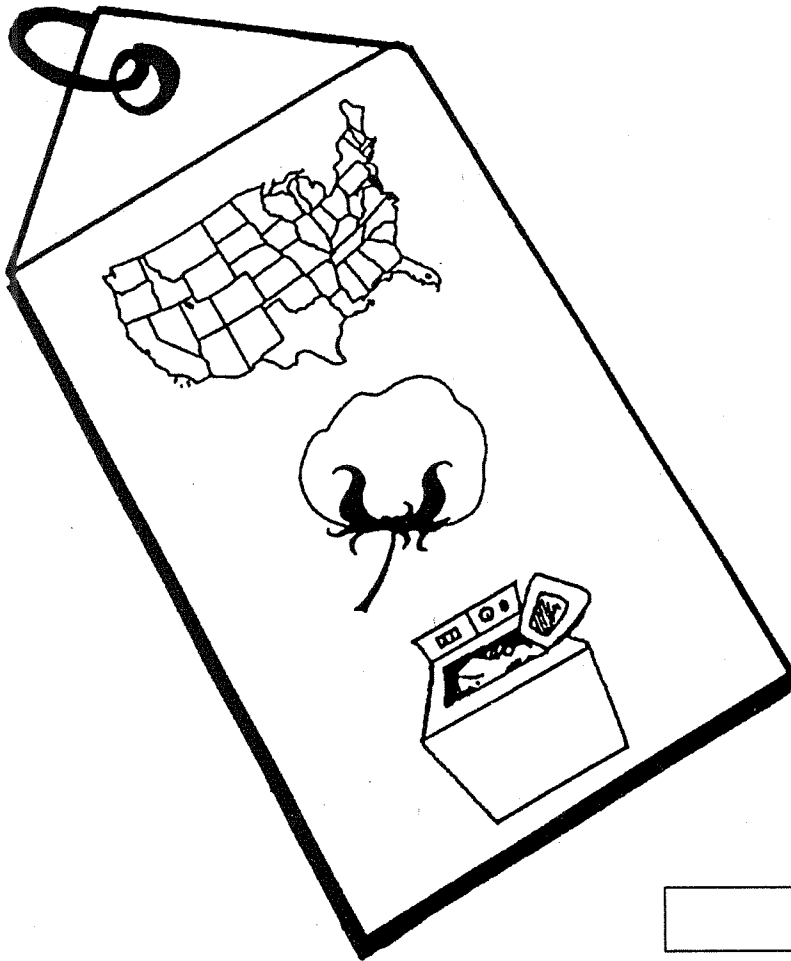
Which one do you like?



Color the happy face if you like, the sad face if you don't!

Label Lingo

Color the pictures of the three things to look for on a label and unscramble the words to match the pictures!



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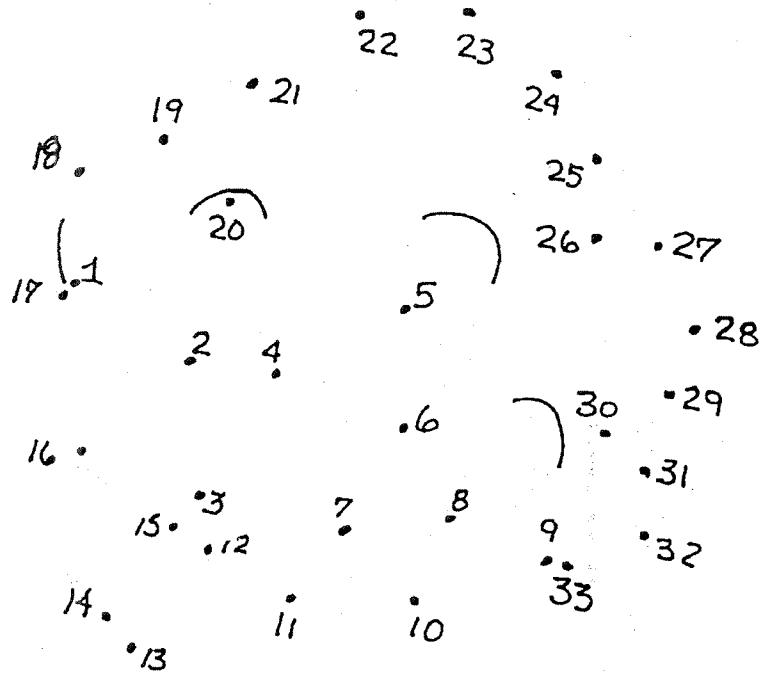
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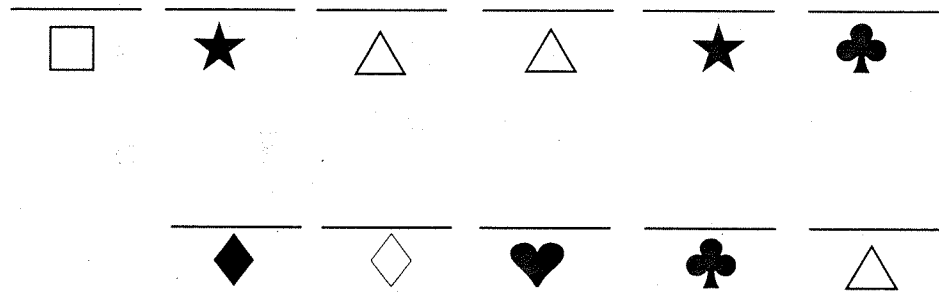
ANSWER: Country: Fiber Content: Care

What am I?

Connect the dots for clues to this mystery! Use the codes to fill in the blanks.



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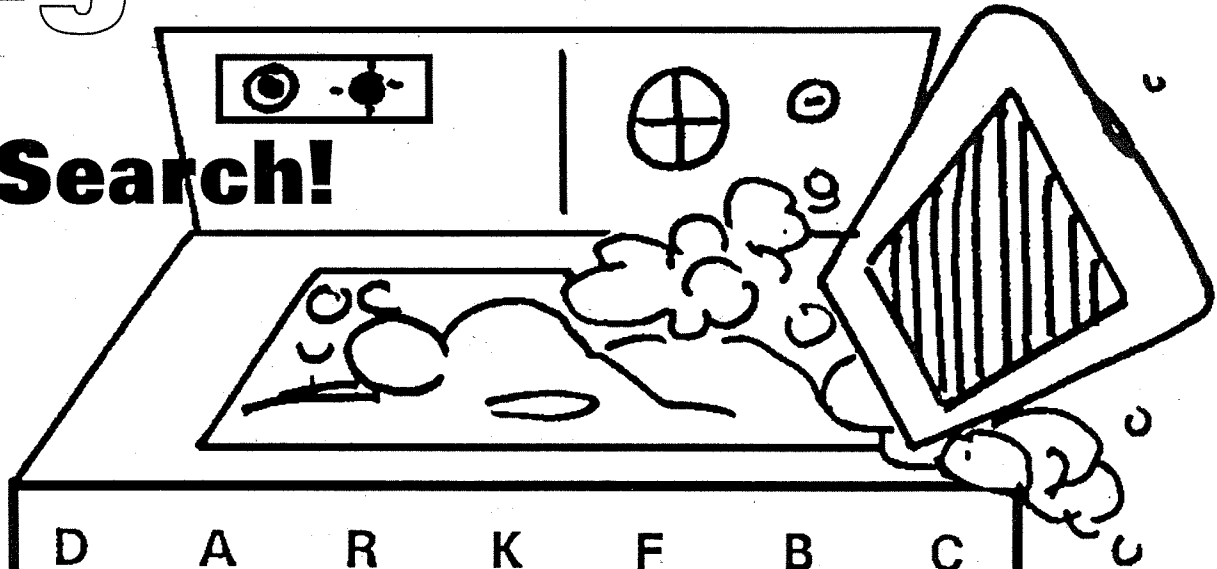
I am used to make



Clothing a r e

Find and circle the "Clothing Care" words that are across and down.

Word Search!



LAUNDRY

SORT

STAIN

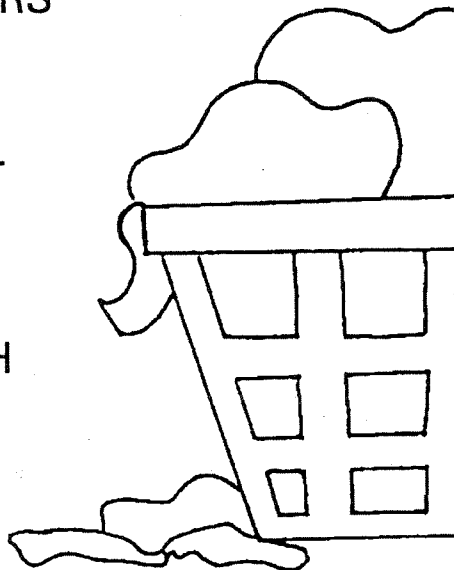
COLORS

DARK

LIGHT

FOLD

WASH



D	A	R	K	F	B	C
C	T	S	B	L	A	O
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L	A	U	N	D	R	Y
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S	T	A	I	N	L	G
C	O	S	D	A	D	H
F	A	H	Y	N	K	T

How did you do?



List the items you made:

What did you learn?

Check the new words you learned doing this project.

___ stitch ___ knitted fabrics ___ labels

___ laundry ___ woven fabrics ___ buttons

___ fibers ___ thread ___ seam

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Your clothing and you...

Check (✓) the things you know and do...
 YES SOMETIMES NO

Do you pick up your clothes and put them in the proper places?

— — —

Do you close zippers and fasten buttons before putting dirty clothes in laundry?

— — —

Do you know how to sew on a button?

— — —

Do you know how to match your clothes-- stripes, plaids, prints and colors?

— — —

Do you know how to choose clothes for special occasions?

— — —

Great Job!





Your Name

4-H Club Motto

“To make the best better”

Your Address

4-H Club Pledge

Parent or Guardian’s Name

I pledge

my head to clearer thinking,

my heart to greater loyalty,

my hands to larger service, and

my health to better living, for my club, my community,

my country, and my world.

Leader’s Name

4-H Club Colors

Green and White

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