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Florida 4-H Clothing and Textiles Program



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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



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

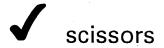
What you do:

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

Sewing Tools:





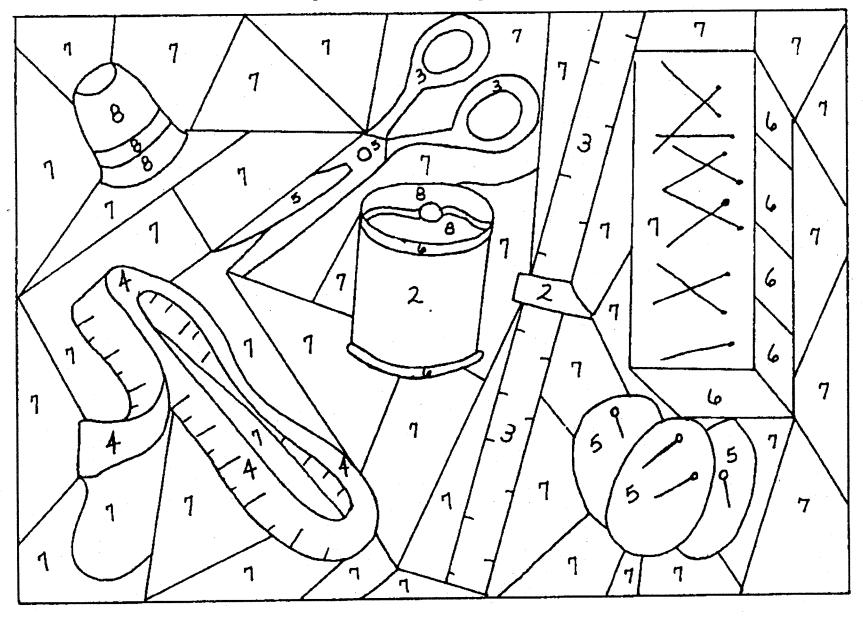




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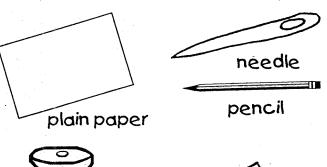
Find your sewing tools!



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

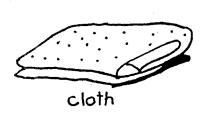
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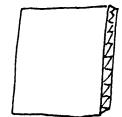
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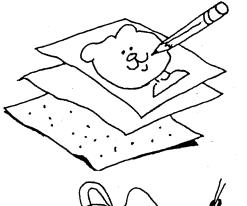


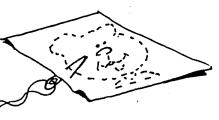
cardboard (1"smaller than picture)

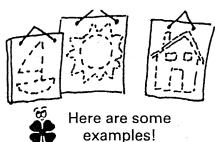


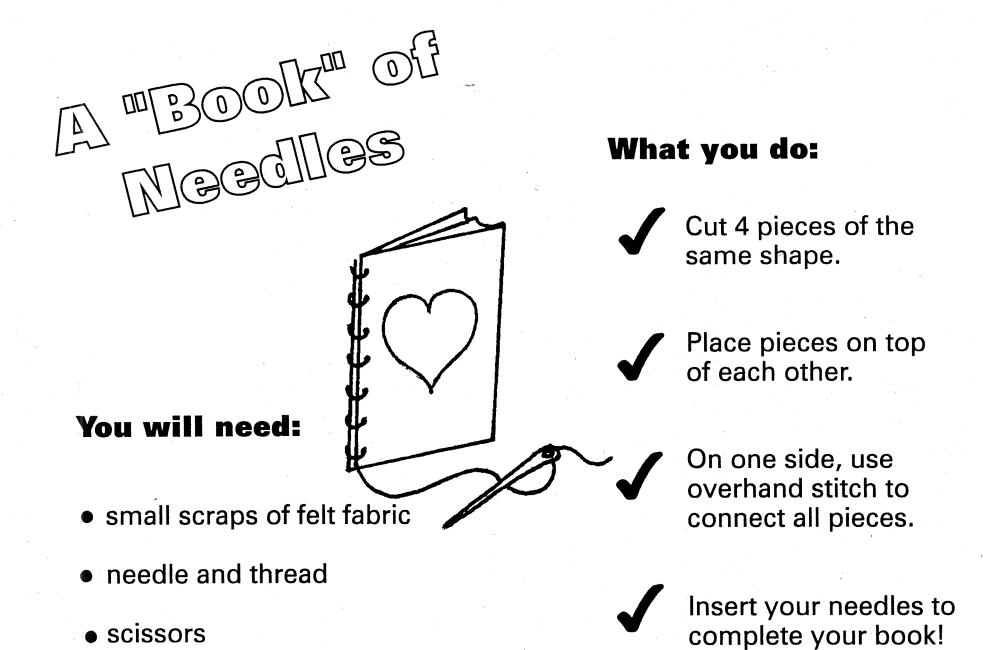
You do:

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



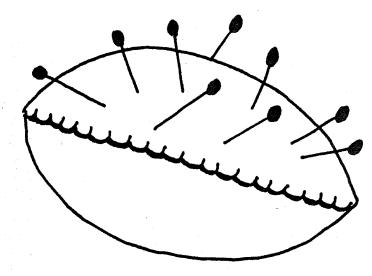












Practice your stitching by making this pin cushion.

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.



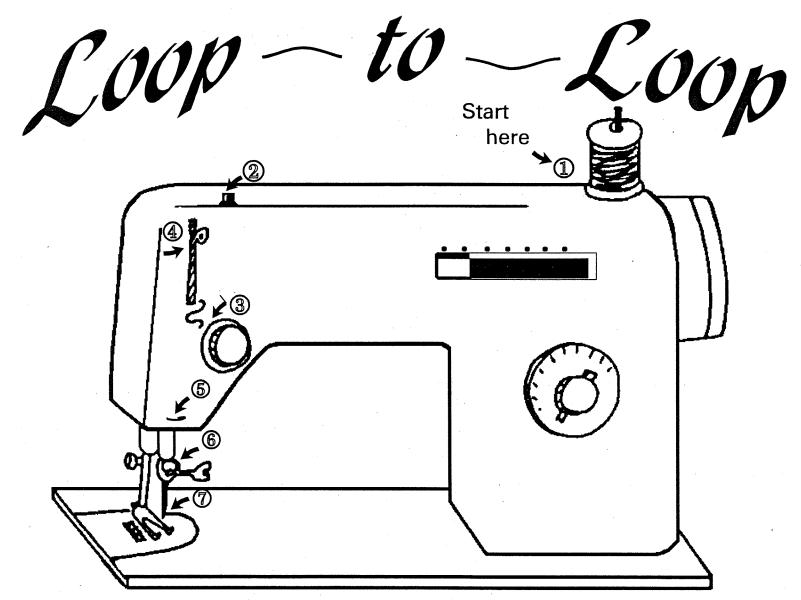
Stitch together with overhand stitch.



Leave 2 inches open. Stuff.



Stitch opening closed.



Follow the numbers to thread the machine correctly. These LOOPS are

called ____ 9 5 7 3 1 2 4 10 6 2 3 8

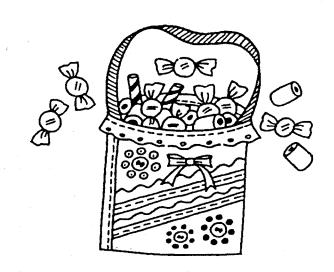
codes: A(1) D(2) E(3) G(4) H(5) I(6) R(7) S(8) T(9) U(10)

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You will need:



Old jeans

- ribbon
- sewing machine
- decorations
- needle & thread
- buttons, lace, paint, fabric, etc.

scissors

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!

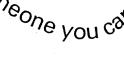
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Fill your bag with candy

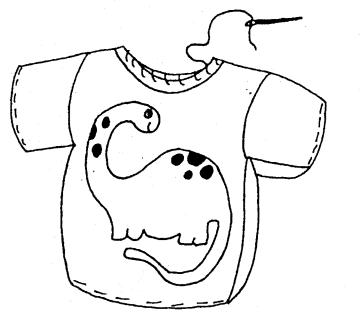




Stuff and Hug

You will need:

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



Step 1: sew the bottom and sleeves closed.

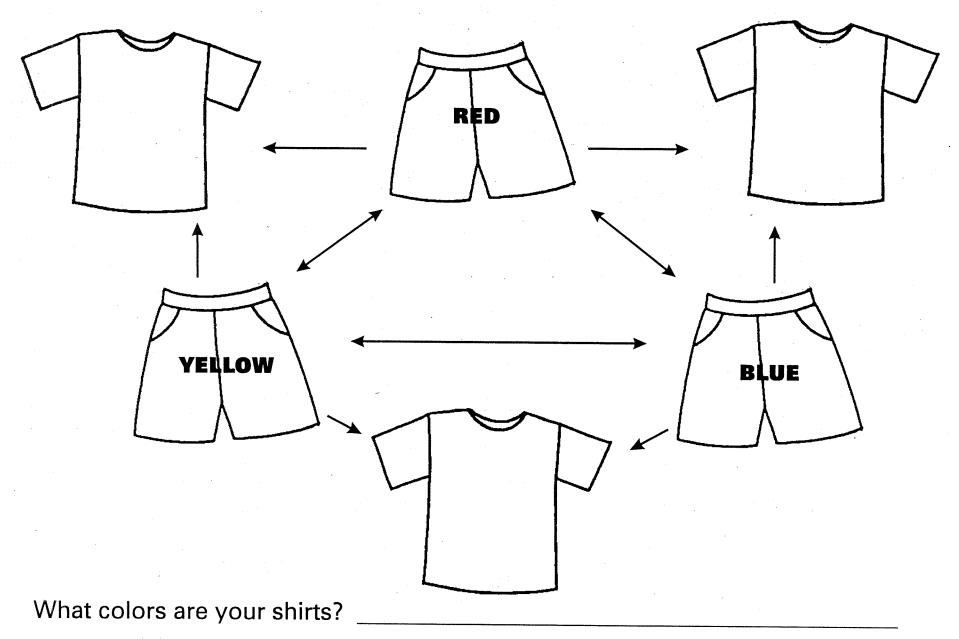
Step 2: decorate your t-shirt (optional).

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

Step 4: stitch the neck closed.



Colorful Clothes...Be a Color Chemist!



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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 Grand Board

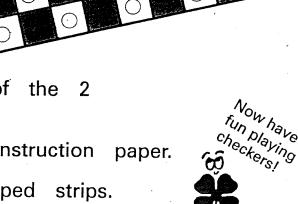
Weaving is one way that fabric is made. Try weaving to make this checkerboard!

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:



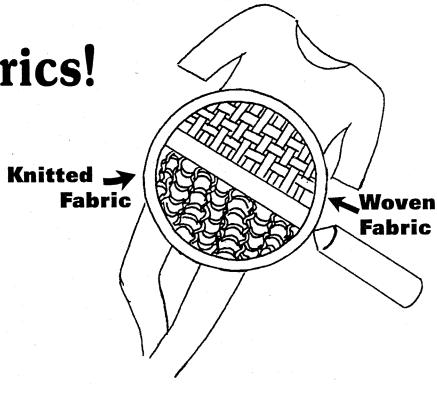
Look at your fabric.



What do you see?____

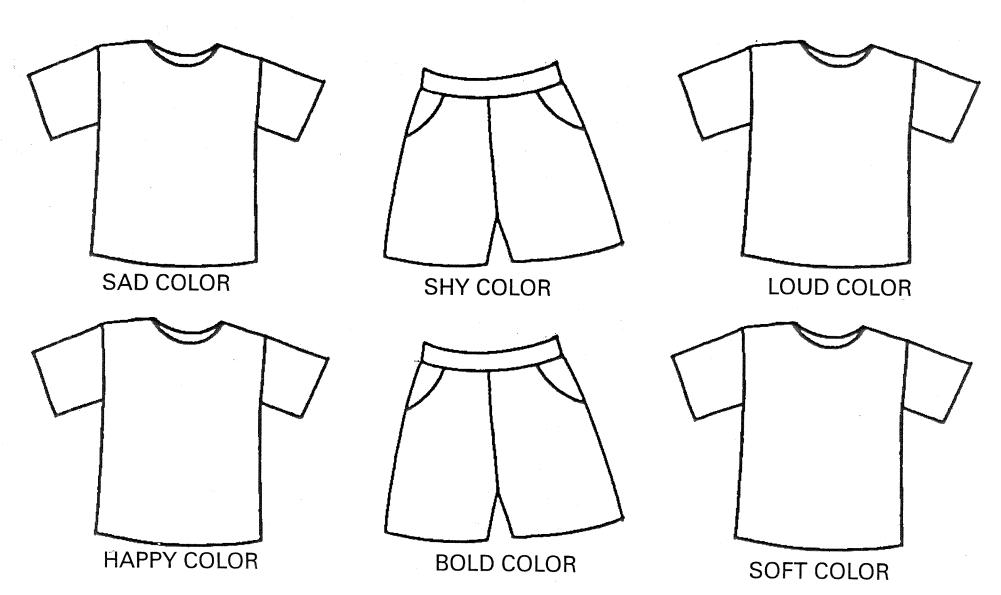


Pull some yarns from scraps of fabric. Look at them under your magnifying glass. Untwist them to find the smallest part, called a fiber.





TALKING COLORS!

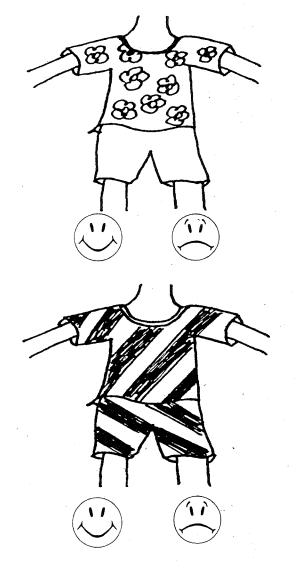


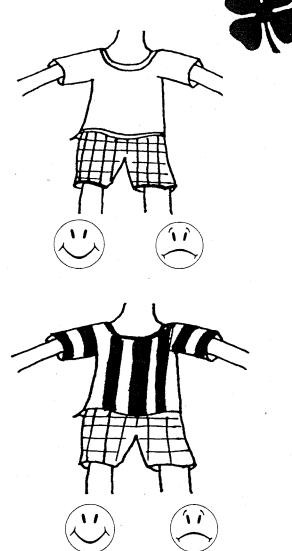
Paste fabric samples that you think express these thoughts!



Cut out fabric clothes for Carl and Wanda. Choose ©©© and Warm colors. Paste your choices to each.

Which one do you like?

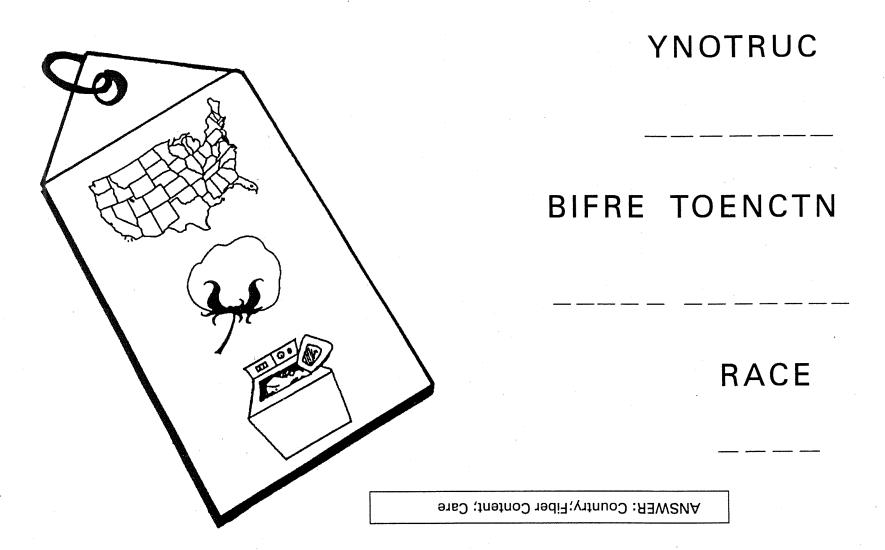




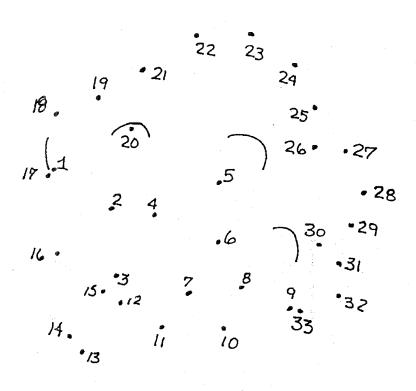
Color the happy face if you like, the sad face if you don't!

Label Lingo

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

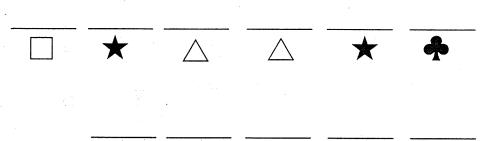


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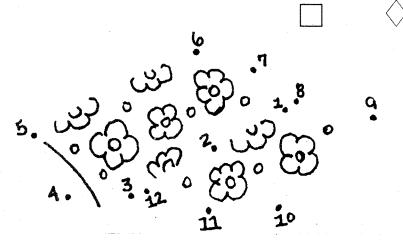


Connect the dots for clues to this mystery! Use the codes to fill in the blanks.

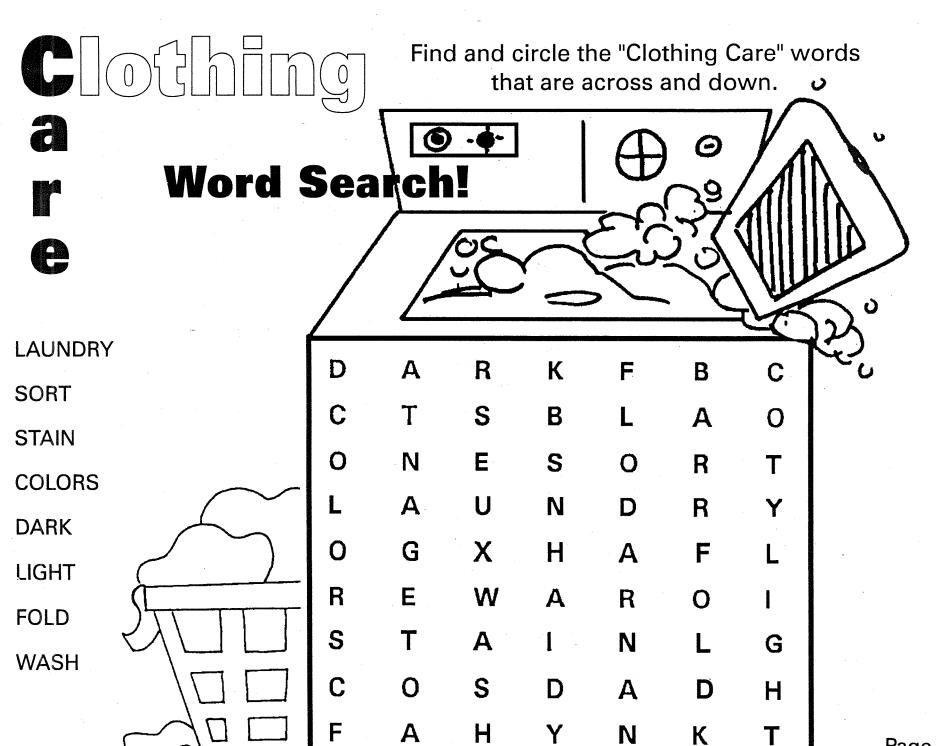
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How did you do?

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



Your clothing and you...

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?

Check	(1) the things you know	and do
YFS	SOMETIMES	NO

Great Job!



Your Name	-	•
Your Address		
Parent or Guardian's Name		
Leader's Name		

4-H Club Motto

"To make the best better"



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.

4-H Club Colors
Green and White



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