Sewing Equipment

Turn to the sewing equipment page in your sewing packet.

Sewing Equipment

- Sewing tools can be used to measure, mark, cut, and sew fabric.
- Use correct equipment for the task!



Measuring Tools

Tape measure

- Used to take body measurements
- 60 inches long
- Made of plastic or strong fabric that does not stretch

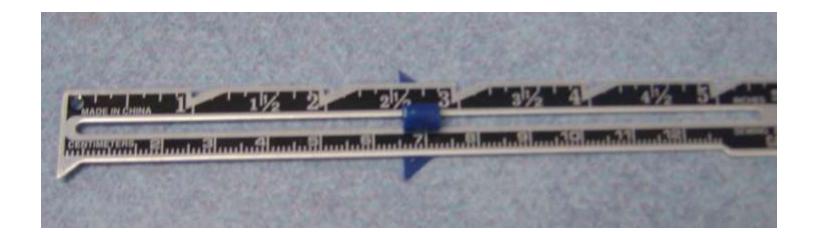




Measuring Tools

Sewing (seam) gauge

 6 inch ruler with a sliding marker, used to measure short distances



Marking Tools

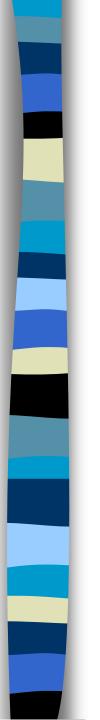
- Tracing wheelTailor's pencil
- Tailor's chalk
- Tracing paper



All used to transfer pattern markings to the fabric

- Shears
 - Longer than scissors
 - Bent handle allows fabric to lie flat as it is cut
 - Used to cut fabric





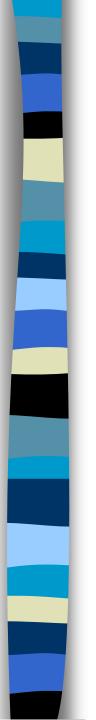
Scissors

- Usually short
- Used to trim seams and threads



- Pinking shears
 - Zig zag cutting edge
 - Used to give seam edges a finished look
 - Prevent raveling
 - Give a decorative edge





Seam ripper

- Used to undo mistakes
- Has a sharp edge!

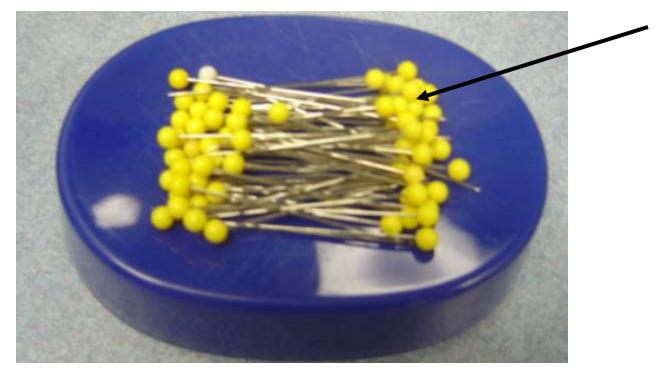


Needles

- Used for hand sewing
- Come in many sizes and types
- Keep on a separate magnetic holder from the pins!!!



- Pins
 - Used to hold fabric together before sewing
 - Take the pins out as you sew





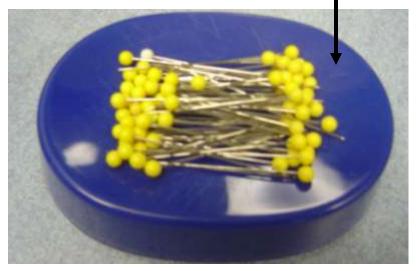
Thimble

- Protects your finger while sewing by hand





Magnetic Pin Holder/Pin cushion – Store pins







Thread

- Comes in a variety of colors
- Match the thread color to the color of your fabric





Bobbin

- Empty spindle for thread
- Your thread color needs to match your bobbin color

