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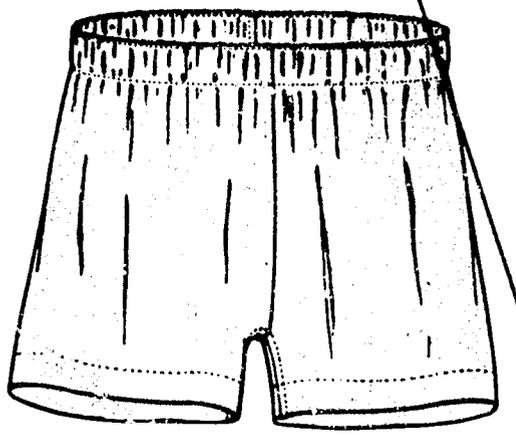
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# HOW TO MAKE BOYS' PANTS

## TERMS—Pattern, Fabric and Sewing

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### Pattern .....

**DRAFT** - is the drawing of a pattern on paper for a guide to cutting and sewing fabric for a garment.

**INCH OR INCHES** - The drafting sign for inches is ", as an example, 3 inches will be written 3".

**BLOCKING** - is dividing the paper in even squares so pattern will be easier to draft.

### Fabric .....

**FABRIC** - There are other words used for fabric, such as cloth, goods and material, however for clarity, the word "fabric" will be used throughout these instructions. There are fabrics made that are not woven, but the terms used here refer mostly to woven fabric.

**WARP AND WOOF** - Fabric is woven of threads, the lengthwise threads are called the warp and the crosswise threads are called the woof.

**GRAIN OF FABRIC** - Refers to the threads in the fabric; warp threads form the lengthwise grain and woof threads form the crosswise grain.

**SELVAGE** - Selvages of fabric are the woven edges, lengthwise of the fabric.

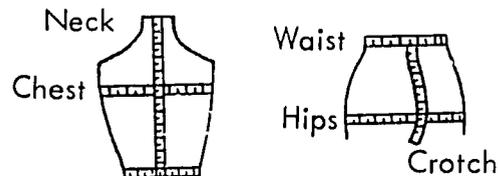
**RAW EDGE** - The edge of fabric without the selvage, crosswise edge, or an edge that has been cut or torn.

**STRAIGHT OF FABRIC** - A term that usually refers to the lengthwise grain (but may also refer to crosswise grain). The Straight of Fabric is used as a cutting guide, so when garment is completed it will hang straight, not twist, and be comfortable to wear.

**STRAIGHTENING FABRIC** - When the lengthwise grain and the crosswise grain meet at right angles or warp and woof threads form perfect squares, the fabric is straight.

To straighten fabric first straighten raw edge. Snip selvage at end of fabric and pull a crosswise thread across to the other selvage, then cut evenly along this thread. If threads are difficult to pull (as in some fabrics) snip selvage and tear crosswise from selvage to selvage. After cross-

**BODY MEASUREMENTS** - are taken from the person for whom you are making the garment, so when garment is completed it will fit and be comfortable to wear.



wise edges are straightened, hold fabric by selvages and pull fabric to the right or left until the crosswise threads are at right angles to the selvage edges.

**SHRINKING FABRIC** - Apply hot water or steam to fabric to contract threads. This is done as fabric may be loosely woven or not preshrunk and will shrink (become contracted or smaller) when washed. Shrink fabric before cutting so garment will not become smaller and not fit after washing.

**RIGHT SIDE AND WRONG SIDE OF FABRIC** - The right side is the finished or best looking side and is sewed to the outside of garment, (the side that shows when worn). The wrong side is dull or less finished looking and is sewed to the inside of garment, (the side that does not show when worn). Some fabrics do not have a right and wrong side as they are the same on both sides. In this case the sides do not have to be matched when cutting and sewing.

**IRONING OR PRESSING** - Smoothing fabric that is wrinkled or creased with a hot or warm iron. If an iron is not available, dampen fabric and put it on a flat surface and smooth with hands. Always iron or smooth fabric with the grain and on the wrong side.

**BIAS** - Is a piece of fabric that has been cut with the grain on a diagonal or slant. Bias has stretch and elasticity which makes it easy to fit as a facing or binding.

To make bias fold fabric so the crosswise grain is parallel to the lengthwise grain and cut to desired width.

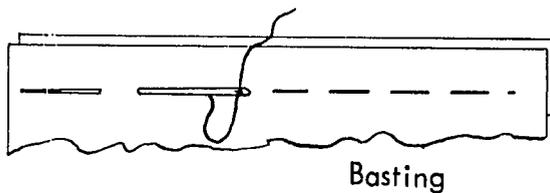
## Pattern, Fabric and Sewing—TERMS

### Basting and Stitches

**NOTE:** Hand stitching to be used when a sewing machine is not available.

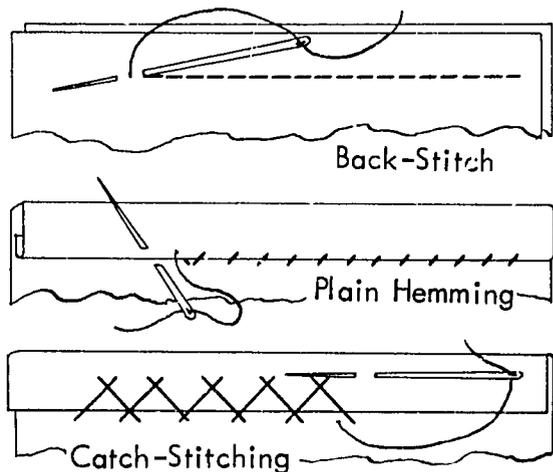
**BASTING** - Is a temporary stitch, used to hold pieces together. Use a contrasting thread so stitches may be easily seen to remove. By hand, take even stitches about 1/4" long, to strengthen take an occasional back stitch. By sewing machine, set for longest stitch and loosen upper tension a little so threads may be easily removed.

**BACK-STITCH** - is a firm machine-like stitch used for seams. Take a stitch about 1/8" on the underside, pull thread through, then take a stitch 1/16" backwards on the upper side. Repeat until seam is completed.



**PLAIN HEMMING STITCH** - is used to hold a folded edge in place. Begin by taking a tiny stitch through the main fabric, then a small stitch through the fold, near the edge.

**CATCH-STITCHING** - is a stronger stitch than the plain hemming stitch. Sew from left to right, take a tiny stitch in main fabric then a small stitch in the fold near the edge, crossing thread with each stitch.



### Seams

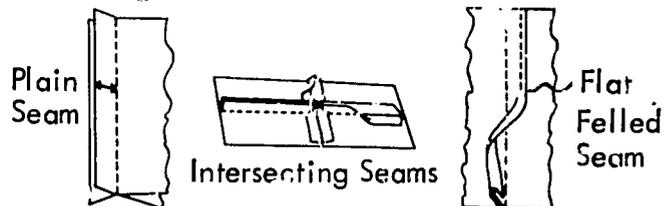
**SEAM** - is the line formed by sewing two pieces of fabric together.

**SEAM ALLOWANCE** - is the fabric extending beyond the seam line. 1/2" has been allowed in this pattern.

**PLAIN SEAM** - is the easiest to make and most often used. Place the right sides of fabric together with edges meeting, baste or pin on seam line, then stitch by machine or hand. To finish seam edges - pink or trim zig-zag if fabric is firmly woven and does not ravel easily. If fabric ravel easily, turn under raw edges and stitch close to folded edge.

**INTERSECTING SEAMS** - match joining seams and stitch together, trim corners of one seam for less bulk.

**FLAT-FELLED SEAM** - is a strong seam and is used for work or sports clothes. Place right sides of fabric together and stitch plain seam. Trim one edge 1/4" from seam line, fold wider edge around it and top stitch it close to the folded edge.



### Finishes

**FACING** - bias or fitted, is a piece of fabric cut and sewed to a raw edge.

**HEM** - is the finish of bottom of a garment. Turn raw edge to wrong side of fabric to length desired and baste. Fold top edge under 1/8" and stitch by machine or hand.

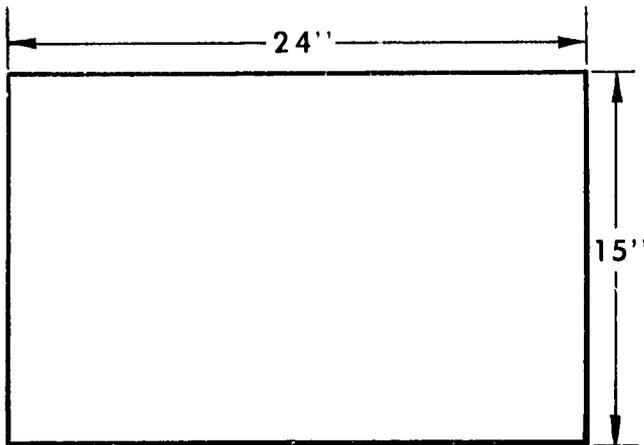
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## STEP 1—Equipment and Material Needed

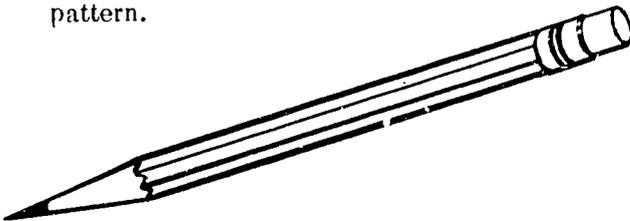
Short pants for little boys are easy to make. Since the front opening and pockets are not necessary, the pattern is simple.

To make the pattern and the pants you will need: .....

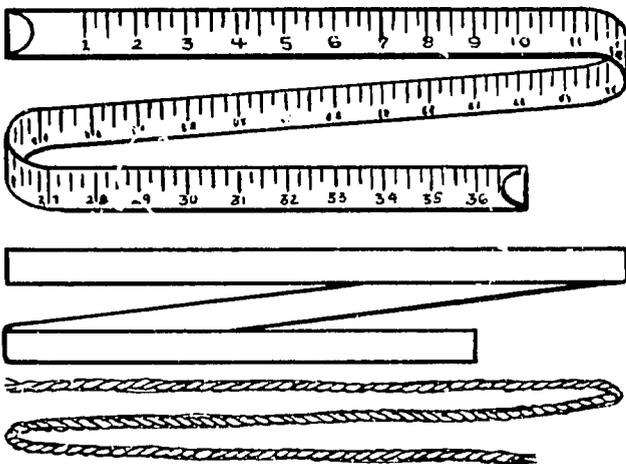
1. Sheet of paper to block and draft the pattern.



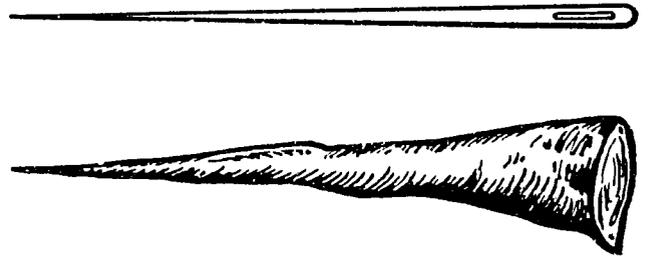
2. Sharp pencil to draw the block and draft of pattern.



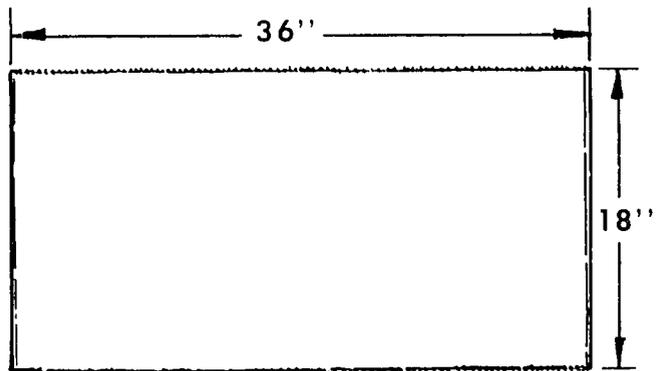
3. Tape measure or strip of paper or string.



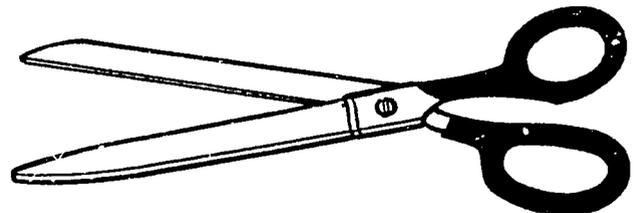
4. A large needle or a thorn.



5. Fabric for making the pants. You will need  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard (18'') of 36'' fabric or if the fabric is less than 36'' wide you will need twice the length of the pants plus 3'' for hems at top and legs.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ '' of fabric for drawstring. If you are making a fitted facing you will need 4'' of fabric for facing. For bias facing, 2'' bias 1'' longer than waist of pants.



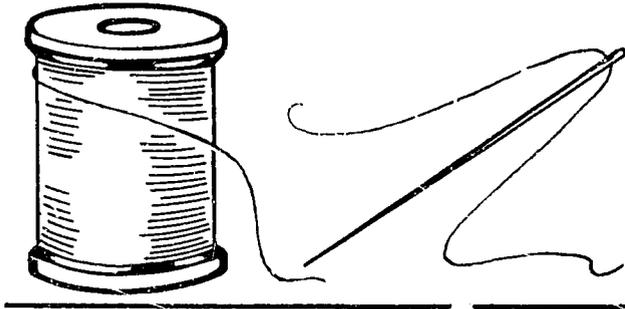
6. Scissors - to cut the pattern and the pants.



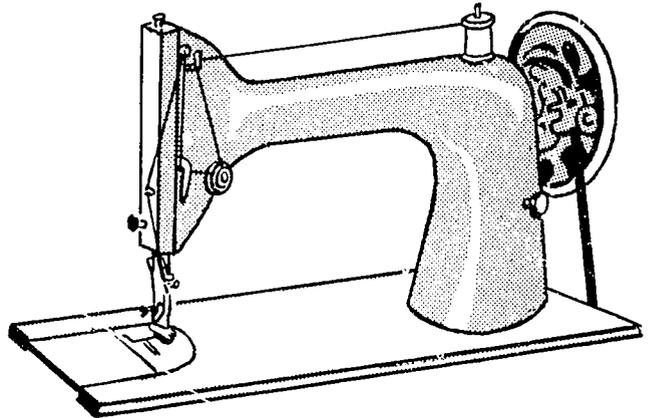
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## Equipment and Material Needed—STEP 1

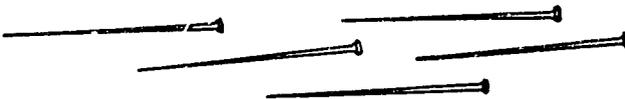
7. Thread - for stitching and sewing needles.



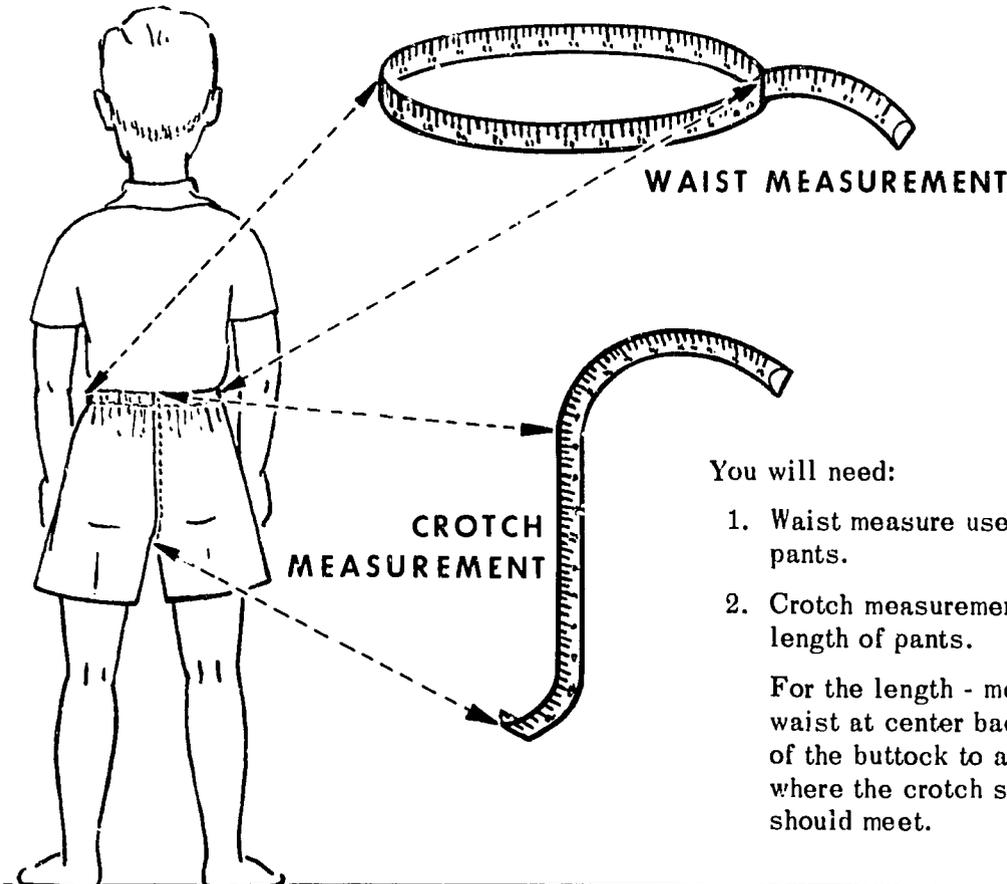
9. Sewing machine - for stitching the pants.



8. Pins are helpful but are not necessary.



## Body Measurements Needed—STEP 2



You will need:

1. Waist measure used to determine width of pants.
2. Crotch measurement used, to determine length of pants.

For the length - measure the crotch from waist at center back over the largest part of the buttock to a point between the legs where the crotch seam and the leg seams should meet.



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## Making Pattern for Pants—STEP 4

Steps ..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

1. Determine width to make pants..... Divide waist by 2 then add  $\frac{1}{3}$  waist measure.  
Example: Waist 22" divided by 2 is 11"  
22" divided by  $\frac{1}{3}$  is  $\frac{7}{3}$ " +  
Width for pants is . . . . . 18"

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2. Determine length of pants ..... Crotch length plus  $\frac{1}{3}$  crotch length  
Example: Crotch . . . . . 9"  
9" divided by  $\frac{1}{3}$  is . .  $\frac{3}{3}$ " +  
Length for pants is . . . 12"

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3. Determine size of paper ..... Cut paper size needed for:  
Width plus 3" and Length plus 3"  
Example: Width . . . 18" plus 3" is 21"  
Length . . 12" plus 3" is 15"  
You will need piece of paper 21" X 15"

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4. Mark corners of paper ..... Make rectangle with the lengthwise measure of the pants on the fold. Rectangle will be  $\frac{1}{2}$  the width of the pants by the length.  
Example: 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " X 15"

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5. Mark corners of paper.....Place fold to your left and mark corners 1-2-3-4  
(See Figure 1.)

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6. Draw rectangle A-B-C-D.....Rectangle to equal  $\frac{1}{2}$  width of pants by length of pants  
(See Figure I) Example: Width for pants . . . 18" divided by 2 is 9"  
Length for pants . . . . . 12"  
Rectangle should be 9" X 12"  
NOTE: Use individual measure to determine size.

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7. Locate A and C ..... a. Mark A and C on fold  
b. A - C equal length of pants. Example: 12"  
c. Locate point A 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " from 1  
d. Locate point C 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " from 3

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8. Locate line A - B..... a. Line A - B is  $\frac{1}{2}$  width of pants. Example: width 18"  
divided by 2 is 9".  
b. Draw A - B parallel to line 1 - 2.

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9. Locate line C - D..... Locate D 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " from line 2 - 4. Draw line C - D parallel to  
line 3 - 4 to equal  $\frac{1}{2}$  waist measure.

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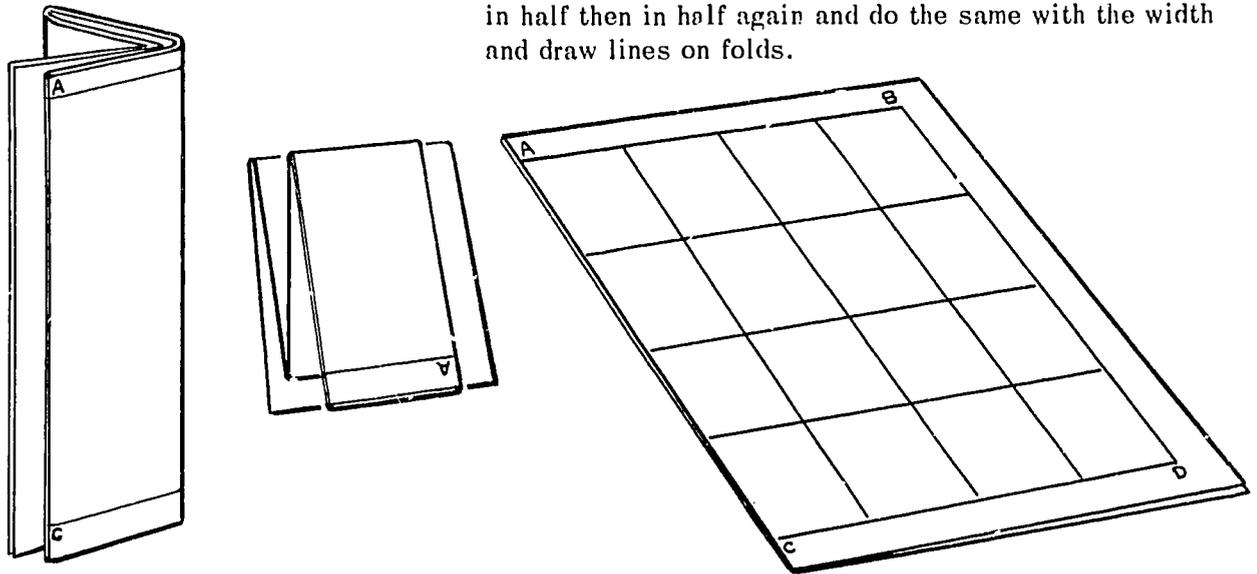
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## STEP 4—Making Pattern for Pants

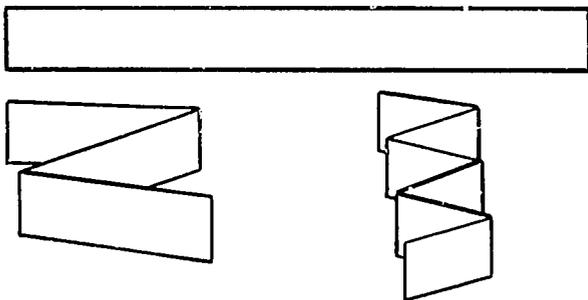
Steps ..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

10. Connect points B and D ..... Line B - D is length of pants. B - D is  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " from line 2 - 4.

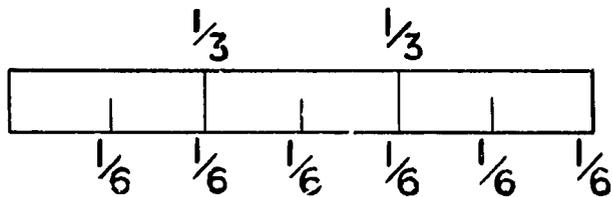
11. Block rectangle A-B-C-D ..... Divide length and width into 4 equal divisions. Fold length in half then in half again and do the same with the width and draw lines on folds.



12. Make a guide for measuring ..... a. Cut a strip of paper  $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide and as long as one of the divisions from A to B (or  $\frac{1}{4}$  of line A - B).  
for use in steps 13, 14, 17 and 20.



- b. Fold strip into thirds.
- c. Fold again into  $\frac{1}{6}$  divisions.
- d. Mark divisions on folds.



13. Locate E .....  $\frac{1}{6}$  division down from A towards C.

14. Locate F .....  $\frac{2}{3}$  division from B towards A.

15. Draw back waist line ..... Connect E and F with straight line.

16. Locate G ..... First block line up from D, on B - D line

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## Making Pattern for Pants—STEP 4

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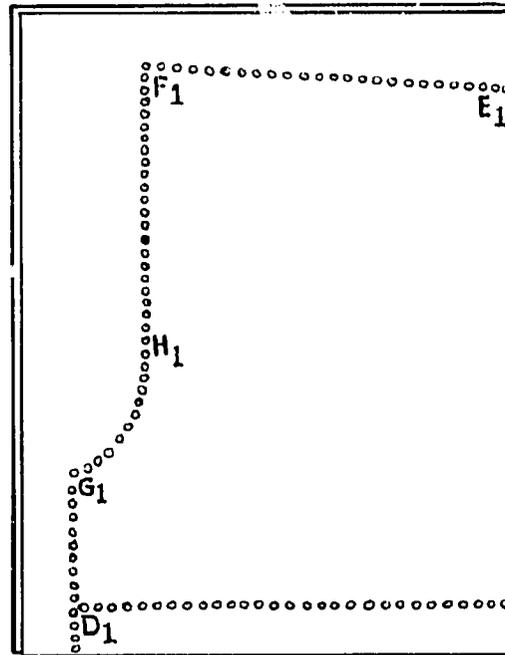
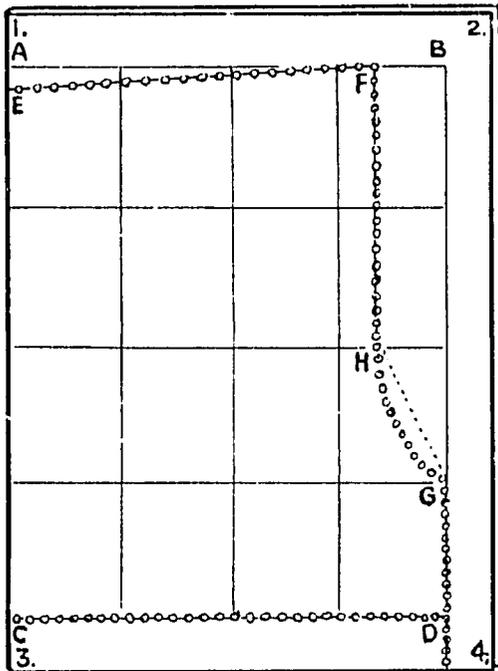
17. Locate H .....  $\frac{2}{3}$  division from B - D line, on second block line up from G.

18. Connect G and H ..... With dotted line as a guide for drawing crotch curve.

19. Draw center back line ..... a. Join F and I with straight line then curve I to G. (See Figure I.)

b. Punch holes  $\frac{1}{2}$ " apart along lines E-F, F-I, H-G, G-D and D-C through both thicknesses of paper.

c. Turn paper over and label back seam line F<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>1</sub>, G<sub>1</sub>, D<sub>1</sub>.



20. Locate J ..... a. Turn paper over  
 b.  $\frac{1}{6}$  division out from F towards A and  $\frac{1}{3}$  division down from A-B line.

21. Draw front waist line ..... Connect E and J with straight line.

22. Draw center front line of pants ..... a. Connect J and H with a line.  
 b. The curved portion of the center front H-G is the same as the center back.

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## STEP 5—Adding Seam and Hem Allowance to Pattern Draft

Steps.....HOW.....WHY.....WHEN

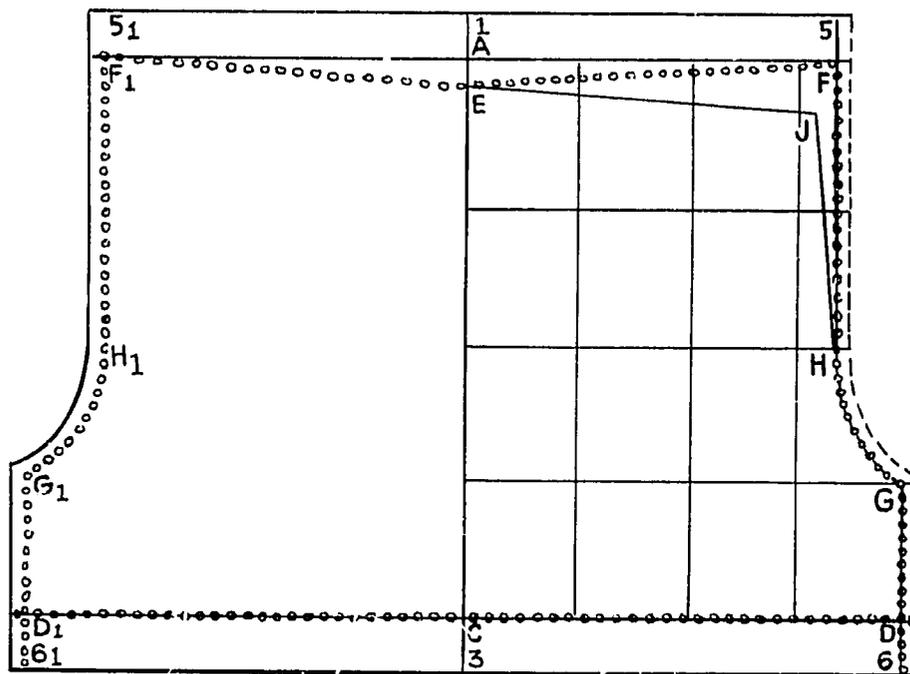
23. Locate Point 5 ..... Extend line F - H to line 1 - 2. Label Point 5 where line F - H and 1 - 2 meet. Mark 5<sub>1</sub> on other side.

24. Allow for leg hem: ..... a. Extend line G - D to meet line 3 - 4 label point 6. Connect 3 and 6 with straight line.  
b. D - 6 and C - 3 make hem allowance for pant leg.

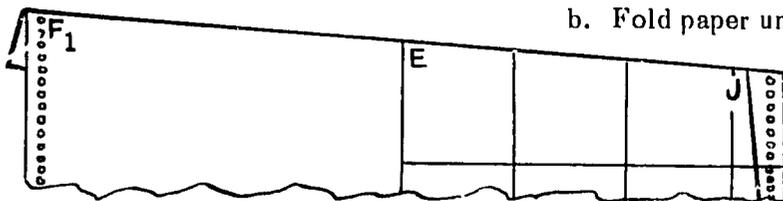
25. Add back seam allowance ..... a. Erase dotted line G - H.  
b. Add 1/2" for back seam allowance on line 5 - F - H - G - D - 6. Draw seam allowance with broken line.

26. Cut pattern ..... Cut on broken line 5 - F - H - G - D - 6 through both thicknesses of paper.

27. Allow for top hem and front seam ..... a. Open folded pattern so that all points can be seen.



b. Fold paper under along line J-E-F<sub>1</sub>



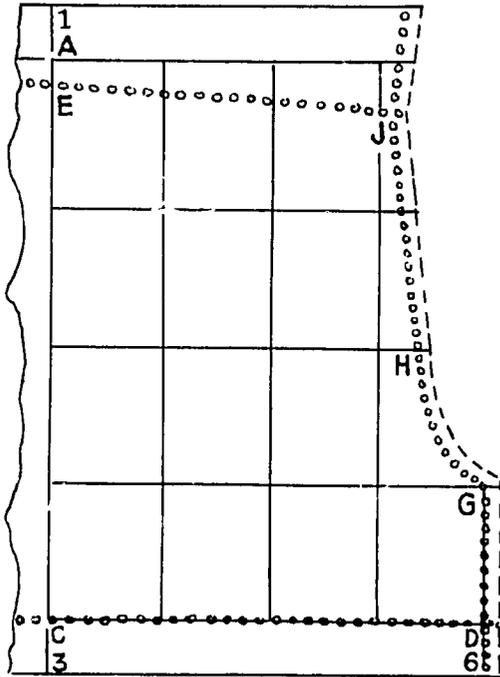
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## — Adding Seam and Hem Allowance to Pattern Draft—STEP 5

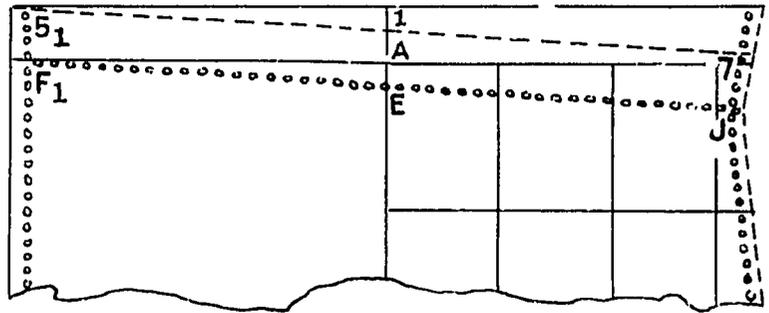
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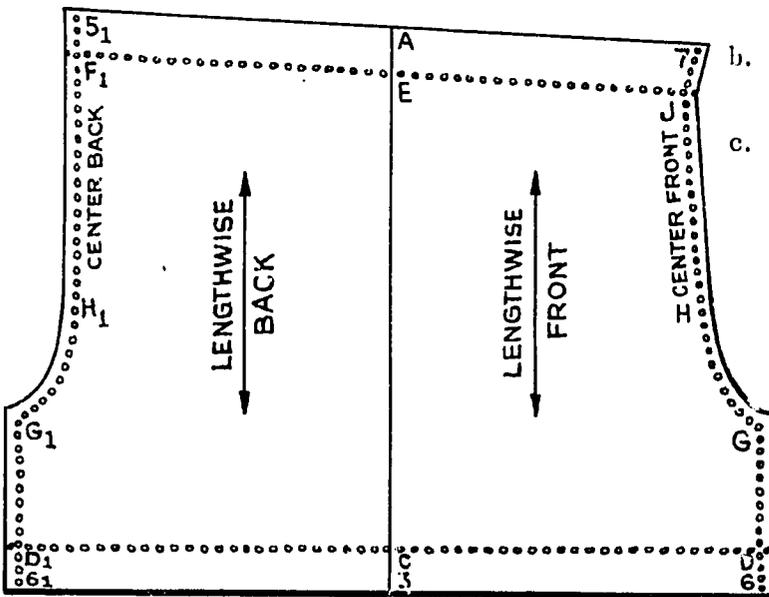
27. Allow for top hem and front seam ..... c. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance along J - H. Indicate with broken line. (A colored line is helpful.)
- d. Cut on broken line from H to J. H - G will remain the same as already cut.
- e. Punch holes  $\frac{1}{2}$ " apart along line E-J-II. Unfold paper turned under for top hem.
- (For pants with fitted facing, see Step 6 page 12.)



- f. Locate point 7  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " from J.
- g. Connect 7 and 5<sub>1</sub> with broken line.
- h. Cut along line 7 - 5<sub>1</sub>.



28. Mark straight of fabric lines ..... a. On each side of the fold line draw a line about 5" long parallel to the fold



- b. Label lines lengthwise front and lengthwise back.
- c. These lines are your guide for cutting on the straight of fabric

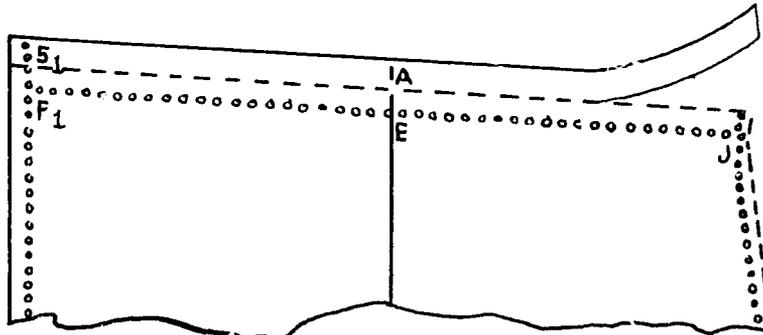
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## STEP 6—Making Pattern for Pants with Fitted Facing \_\_\_\_\_

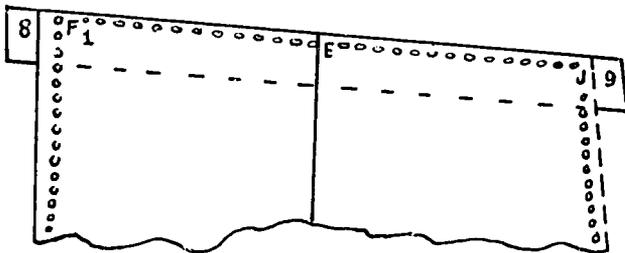
Steps.....HOW ..... WHY .....WHEN

Follow directions for making pattern for pants with hem from Step 1 through Step 28, (omitting f, g and h of Step 27). Use the following steps to make pattern with fitted facing:

1. Add seam allowance at top of pants .....a. Open folded pattern so that all points can be seen.
- b. Add  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance to line J-E-F<sub>1</sub>

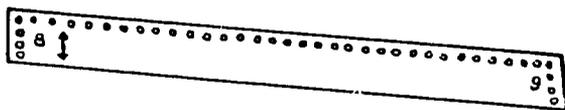


2. Make facing pattern .....a. Cut a piece of paper 2" wide and two or three inches longer than line F<sub>1</sub> - J.



- b. Place the paper even with the top of the pattern.
- c. Cut the ends of the paper at 8 and 9 like the pattern.

3. Complete facing pattern .....a. Draw seam lines  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from top and 8 and 9 and  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from bottom pattern with broken lines.



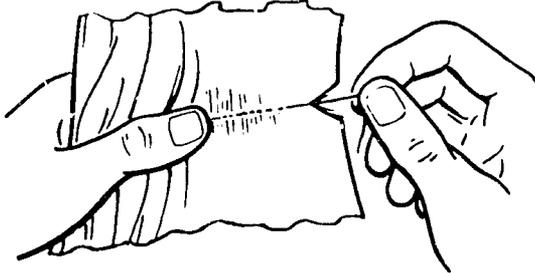
- b. Draw a straight of fabric line parallel to 8.
- c. Punch holes through seam lines on pattern.

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## How to Cut and Sew the Pants—STEP 7

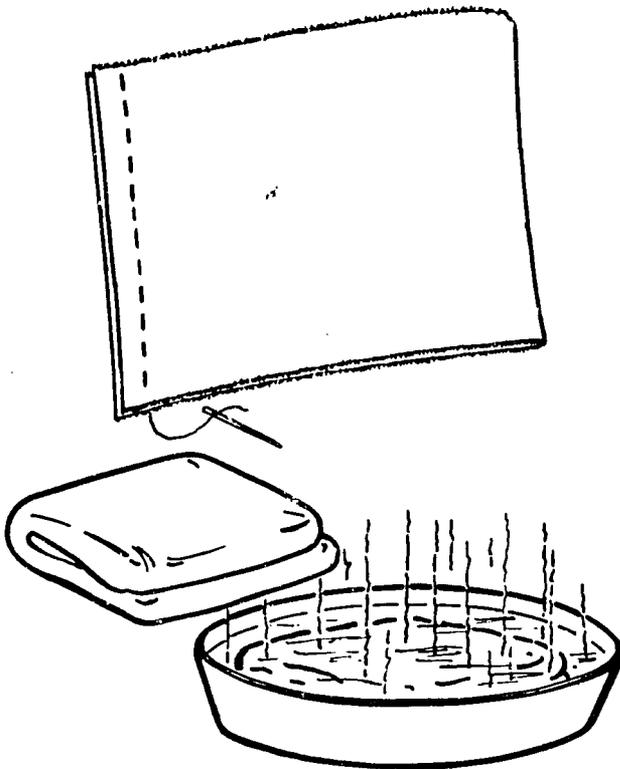
Steps..... HOW..... WHY..... WHEN

1. Straighten the fabric. ....a. Pull a thread



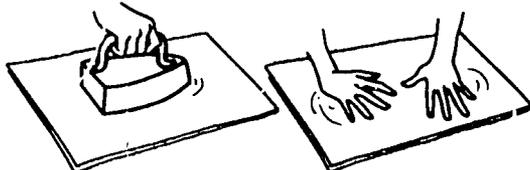
- b. Cut along the pulled thread (some fabrics can be torn to straighten them).
- c. Hold the diagonal corners that look short. Pull hard until the warp and woof threads are at right angles.

2. Shrink the fabric. ....a. Fold the raw edges of the fabric together.



- b. Baste across raw edges with needle and thread.
- c. Fold fabric and put it in hot water.
- d. Next put the fabric in cold water (The change in temperature of the water helps the shrinkage).
- e. Roll the fabric in towel to remove excess moisture. Or squeeze as much water as possible from the fabric, smooth it and let it dry.
- f. Remove basting thread.

3. Press the fabric. ....a. Press the fabric before it is completely dry.



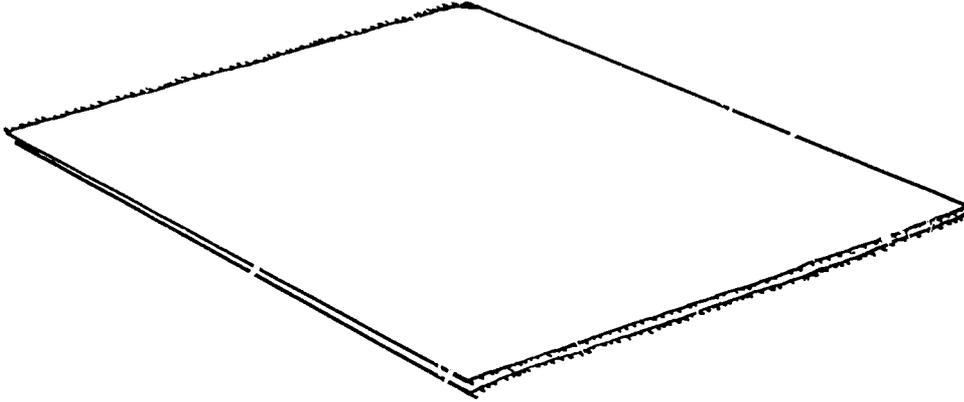
- b. If you do not have an iron, smooth the wrinkles out with your hands before it is completely dry.

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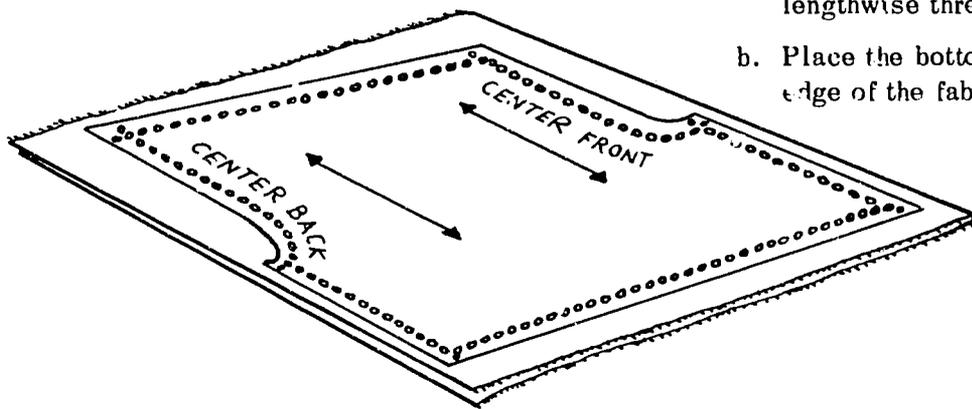
## STEP 7—How to Cut and Sew the Pants \_\_\_\_\_

Steps..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

4. Lay out fabric ..... Fold the fabric with raw edges together.

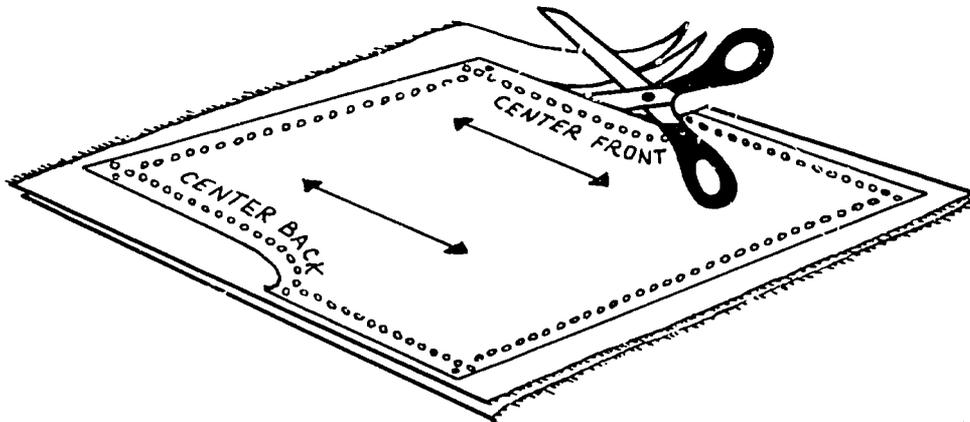


5. Place pattern on fabric ..... a. Place the pattern on the fabric so the length of the pattern is straight on the lengthwise thread of the fabric.



b. Place the bottom of the leg on the raw edge of the fabric.

6. Cut out the fabric



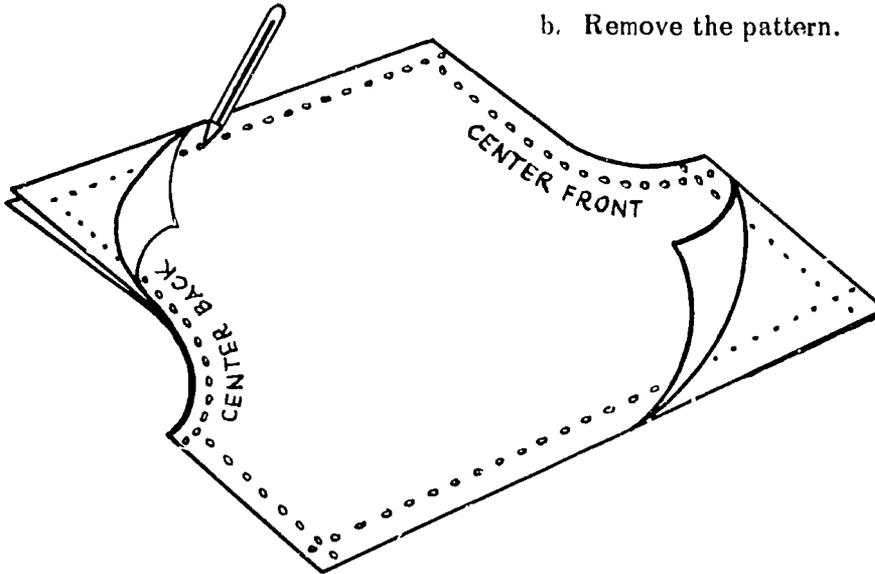
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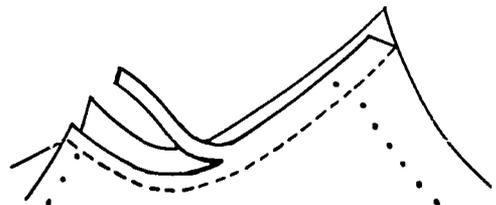
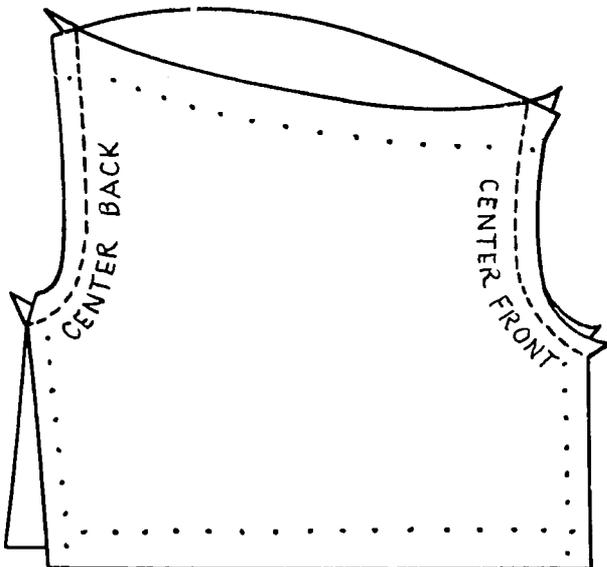
7. Transfer the seam lines and top hem and leg hem markings to pants from pattern.

- a. Mark fabric through punched holes in pattern with a pencil. Mark both pieces of fabric.
- b. Remove the pattern.



8. Stitch front and back seams.....

- a. Machine stitch the center front and center back with a plain seam or flat-felled seam.
- b. To make a plain seam place right sides of the pants together. Stitch on the seam line  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from cut edge.
- c. How to make flat-felled seam.
  - 1. Place the right sides of the pants together.
  - 2. Stitch on seam line  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from cut edge.
  - 3. Cut off one side of the seam allowance leaving  $\frac{1}{4}$ " or less beyond the stitching.



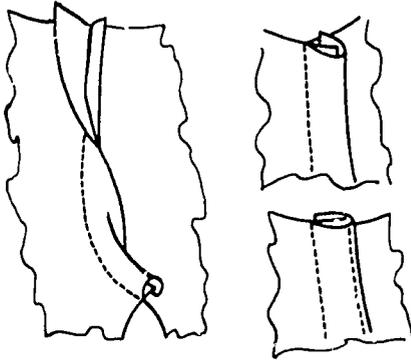
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## STEP 7—How to Cut and Sew the Pants

Steps..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

8. Stitch front and back seams - continued .....



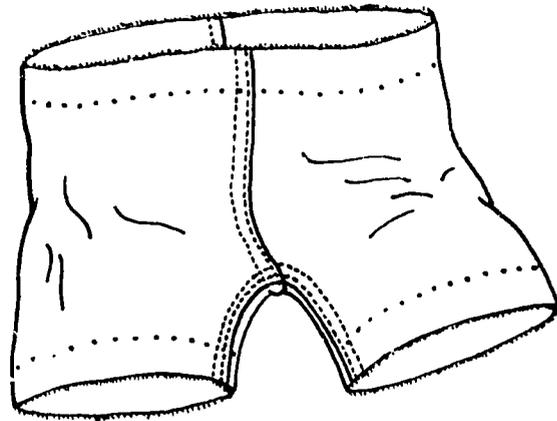
4. Open pants.

5. Press seam flat against pants so the cut seam lies next the pants.

6. Fold the other seam allowance under edge of 1/4" seam edge.

7. Machine stitch to pants.

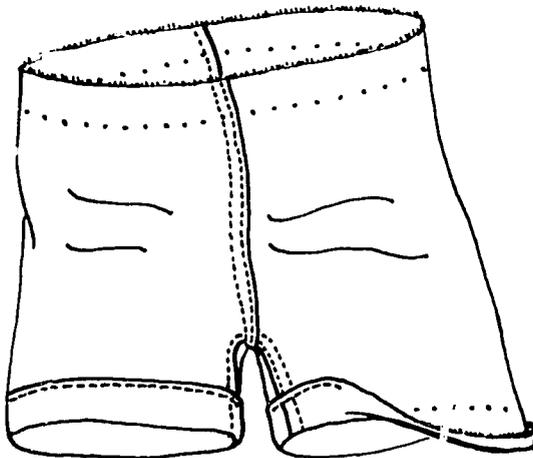
d. Join front and back legs together with the same type seam used on center front and center back seams.



9. Make the leg hem .....

a. Make a 1/4" turn at the edge of the leg to the wrong side.

b. Now turn 1-1/4" hem and stitch flat to the pants.



# HOW TO MAKE BOYS' PANTS

## How to Cut and Sew the Pants—STEP 7

Steps ..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

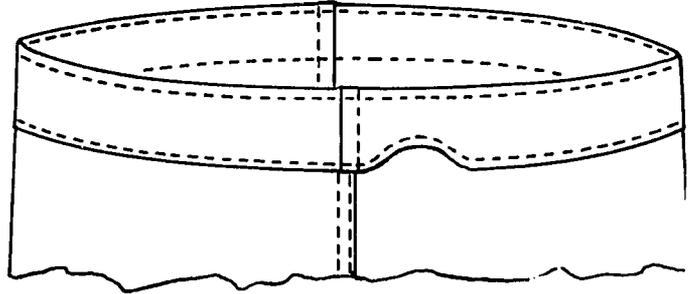
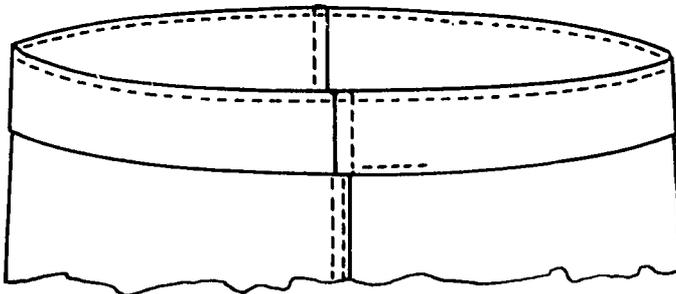
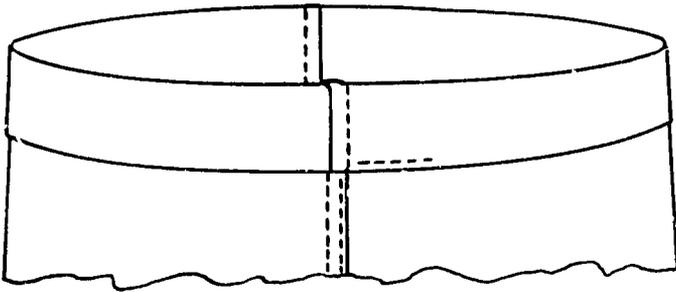
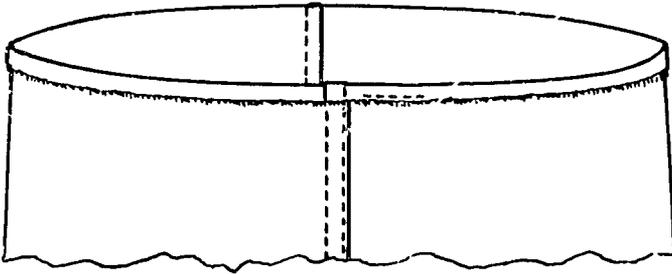
10. Make the top hem ..... a. Turn edge under 1/4" to wrong side.

b. From the center front seam make a row of edge stitching 1 1/2" long as at A. This stitching hems opening for drawstring or elastic.

c. Turn 1-1/4" hem to the wrong side of the pants.

d. Edge stitch 1/8" from top edge.

e. Stitch hem to pants starting at the front (A) where edge has been stitched under. Continue stitching until the stitched edge is reached. Leave open for elastic or draw string. (NOTE: On fabrics that have no right or wrong side when draw strings are used, the hem can be turned to the right side of the pants. The knot or bow is to the outside and not against the child's body.)



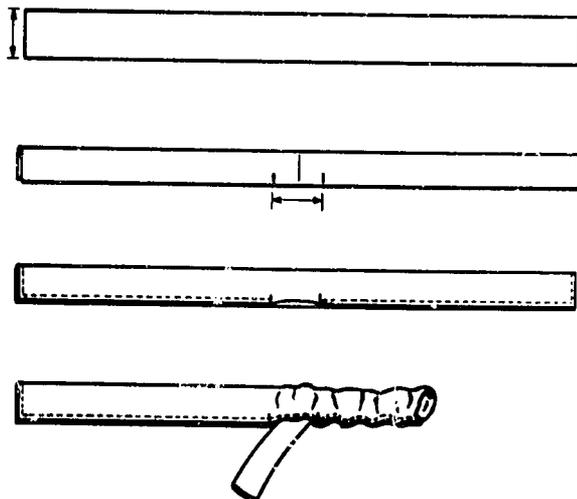
Another type hem opening is described on page 24. You may want to use it instead of this one.

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## STEP 7—How to Cut and Sew the Pants \_\_\_\_\_

Steps.....HOW.....WHY.....WHEN

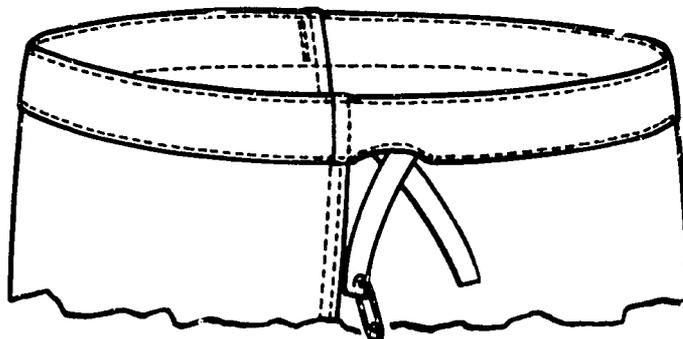
11. Make the drawstring .....



- a. Cut a strip of fabric  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " wide and 7" longer than the pants around the waist.
- b. Fold right sides of fabric together lengthwise. Locate center. On the open side mark two points  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " apart.
- c. 1. Stitch across one end and continue to the points marked.  
2. Skip over to next point and continue stitching side and across end.
- d. Turn each end through the opening at the center. NOTE: If you leave the opening at the center, both ends of your drawstring will be neatly finished.

12. Insert drawstring in hem of pants .....

- a. Insert drawstring using a safety pin or bodkin.
- b. Each end should extend from the opening about 3".
- c. At the back seam sew the drawstring securely in place.



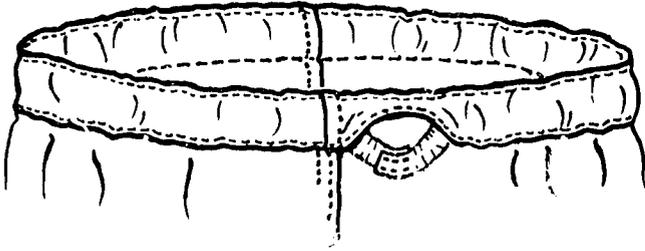
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## How to Cut and Sew the Pants—STEP 7

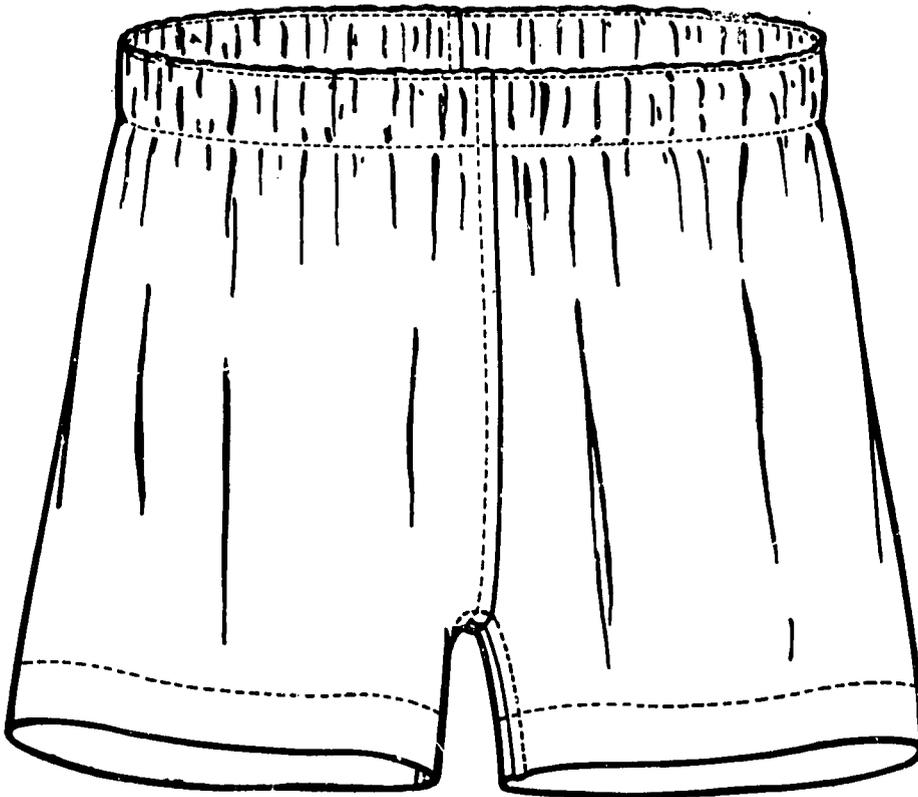
Steps.....HOW.....WHY.....WHEN

12. Insert drawstring in hem of pants - Continued ..... d. Elastic may be used instead of the drawstring.



If you use elastic, add 1" to the waist measure. Insert it in the top hem, overlap ends 1" and stitch together.

### Completed Pants



# HOW TO MAKE BOYS' PANTS

## STEP 8—How to Make Pants with Fitted Facing \_\_\_\_\_

Steps ..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

When you are using thick or bulky fabric to make pants, a fitted or bias facing at the top may be better than a hem.

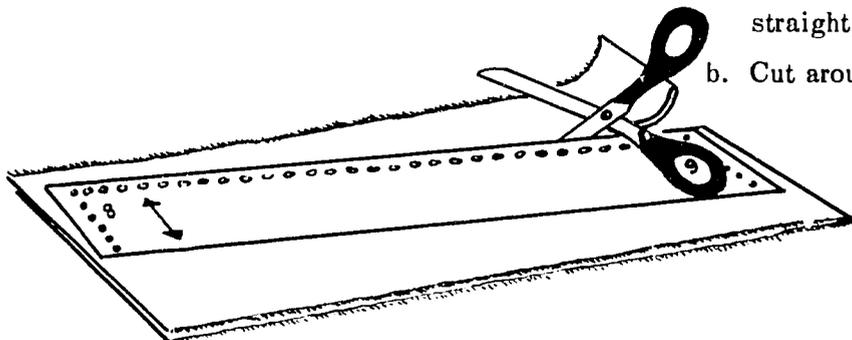
Two methods for facing pants are given:

1. Method I - pants with fitted facing
2. Method II - pants faced with bias

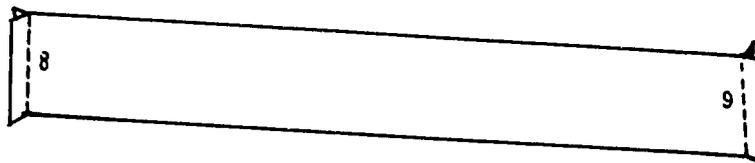
METHOD I - Use pattern with fitted facing. Directions for making pattern on page 12.

1. Select fabric for facing ..... Choose a firmly woven light weight fabric, you will need 4" by waist measure.

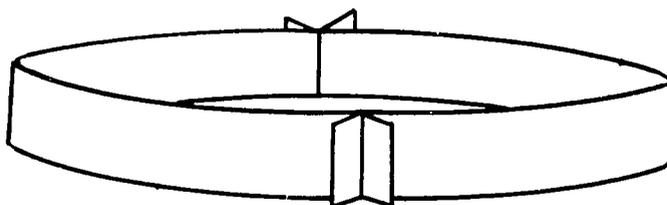
2. Cut fitted facing .....
  - a. Fold fabric and place pattern on it with straight of fabric.
  - b. Cut around pattern.



3. Stitch the facing ..... Stitch the facing together at the front and back using a plain seam.



4. Press seam ..... Open seam and press flat with fingers or iron.



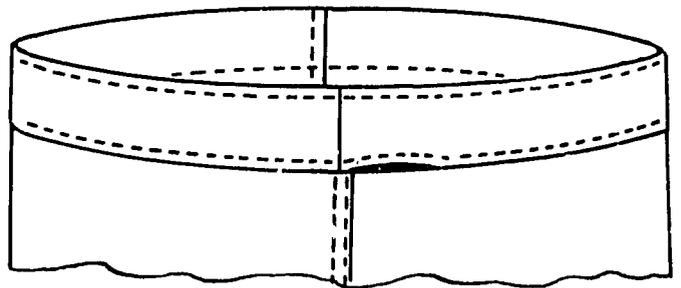
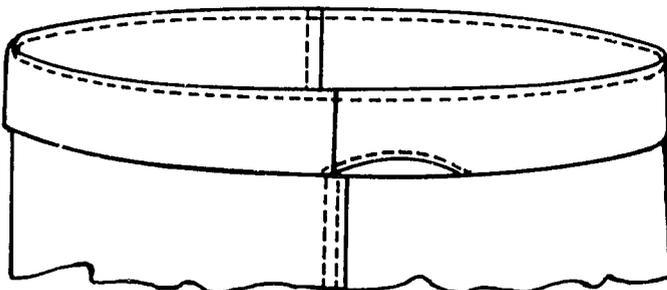
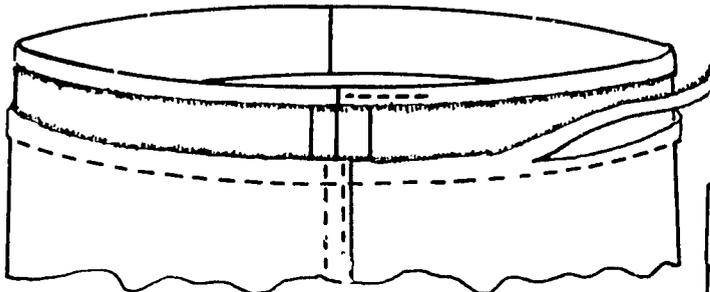
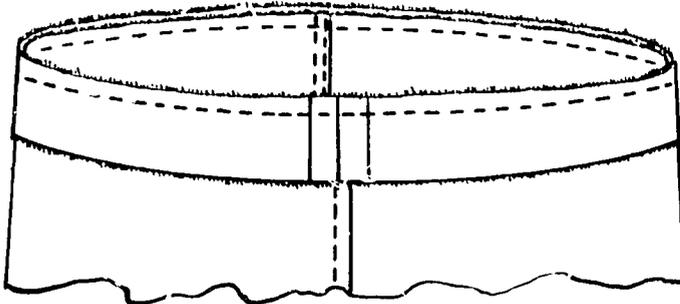
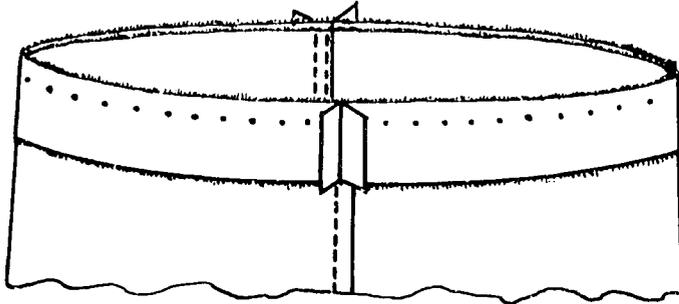
# HOW TO MAKE BOYS' PANTS

## How to Make Pants with Fitted Facing—STEP 8

Steps.....HOW.....WHY.....WHEN

5. Stitch facing to top of pants .....

- a. Put the facing on the top of pants with right sides together.
- b. Place the front facing seam in line with center front and the back facing seam in line with back seam.
- c. Stitch the facing to the pants on the seam line  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the edge.
- d. Open facing out from pants.
  1. Turn the edge of the facing to the wrong side  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". See A.
  2. Along edge stitch from center front for  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". See B.
  3. Cut away  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the seam as at C.
- e. Turn facing down flat on the wrong side of the pants.
- f. Stitch along the top of the pants  $\frac{1}{8}$ " from edge.
- g. Stitch facing flat to the pants  $\frac{1}{8}$ " from folded edge of facing, leaving the opening at the center front for the drawstring or elastic.



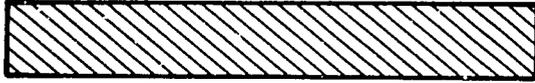
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## STEP 9—Facing Pants with Bias

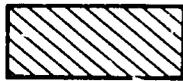
Steps..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

1. Select facing fabric ..... Choose firmly woven light weight fabric.

2. Cut bias facing ..... a. Cut a bias piece 2'' wide as long as the top of pants minus 1½''.

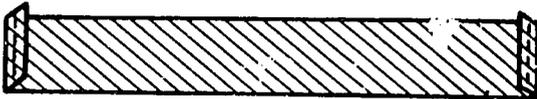


Example: Width of top of pants 27'' minus 1½'' is 25½''.



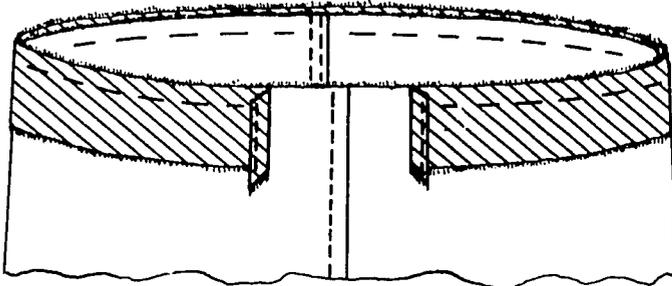
b. Cut a bias piece 3'' X 2''.

3. Stitch ends of bias ..... a. Turn ends of bias under ¼'' to wrong side.



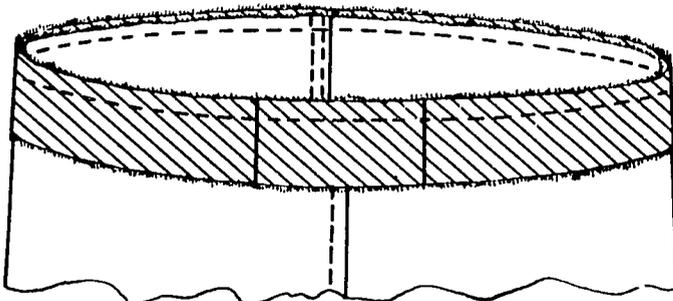
b. Stitch across end close to edge.

4. Stitch facing to top of pants ..... a. Place the end of the bias facing 1'' from the center front seam with the right sides of the pants and facing together.



b. Baste the facing to the pants.

5. Stitch 3'' X 2'' bias ..... a. Place the 3'' X 2'' bias piece over the space between the ends of the facing. It should lap the ends about 1''.



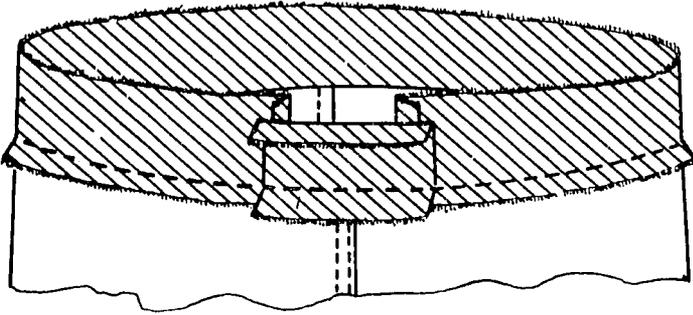
b. Stitch the facing and bias 3'' X 2'' to the pants on the seam line ½'' from the edge.

# HOW TO MAKE BOYS' PANTS

## Facing Pants with Bias—STEP 9

Steps.....HOW.....WHY.....WHEN

6. Stitch the edge of 3" X 2" bias.....a. Turn the edge under 1/4" to the wrong side.



b. Turn the bias piece flat on the pants with wrong sides together.

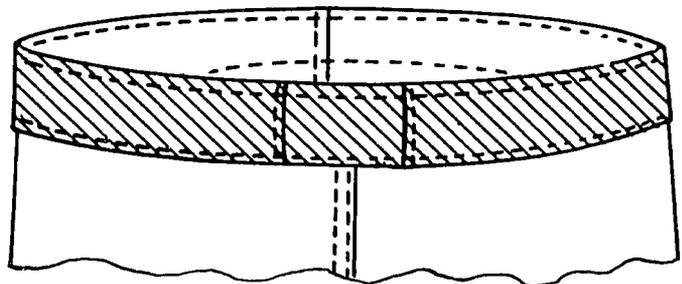
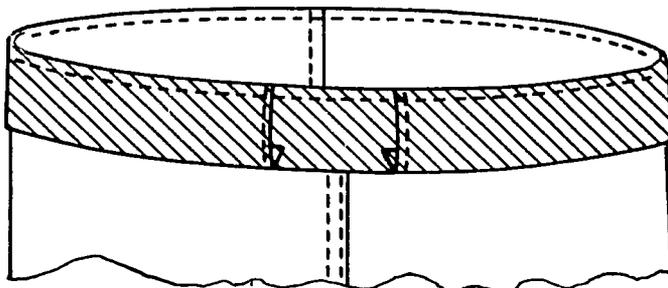
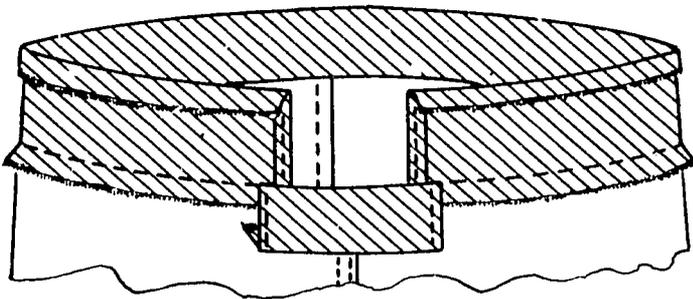
c. Stitch ends to the pants at A - B.

d. 1. Turn the facing flat on the pants.

2. Stitch the top 1/8" from the edge.

e. 1. Turn the edge of the facing under 1/4" to wrong side.

2. Stitch facing to pants 1/8" from folded edge of facing.

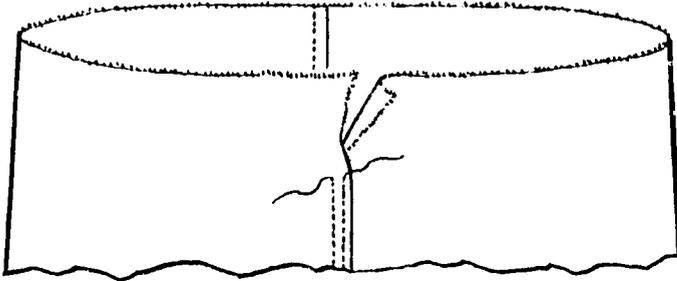


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## STEP 10—Another Opening for Drawstring \_\_\_\_\_

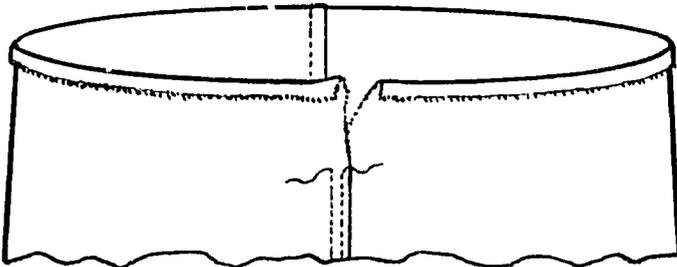
Steps ..... HOW ..... WHY ..... WHEN

1. Open front seam



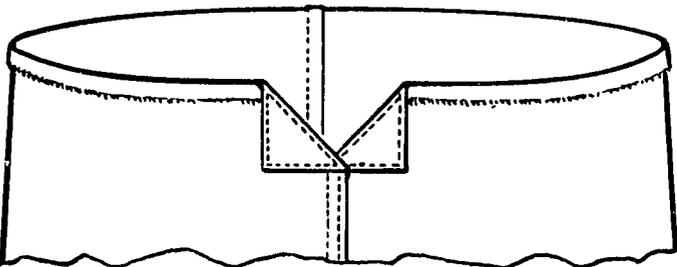
Turn pants to wrong side and open the front seam from the top down 1-1/4".

2. Turn edge down



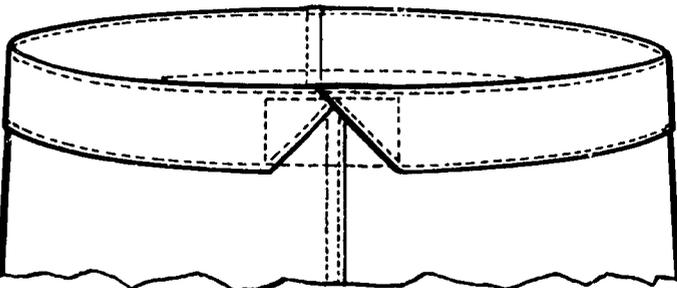
Turn top edge down 1/4" to wrong side.

3. Turn corners



Turn seam edges under and fold fabric to form two triangles at opening. Stitch around triangles 1/8" from folds and edges.

4. Turn top hem



A. Turn 1-1/4" hem to wrong side of pants

B. Stitch 1/8" from edge at the top.

C. Stitch hem to pants 1/8" from edge.