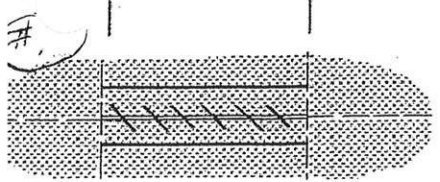
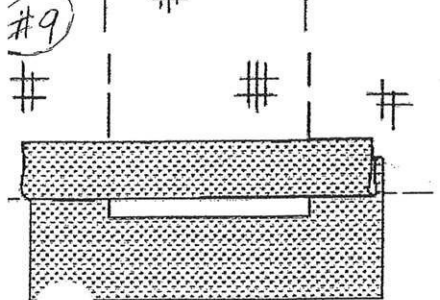
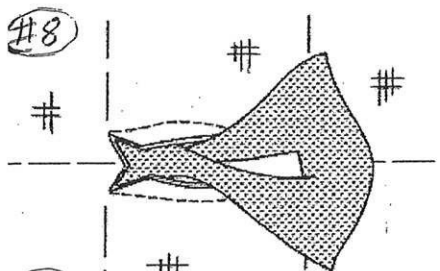
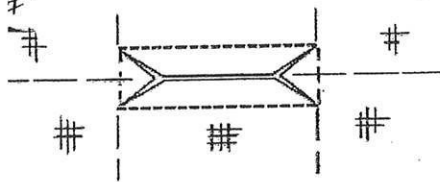
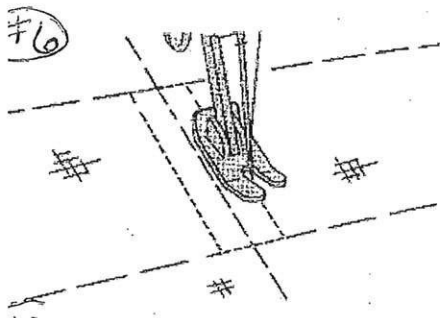
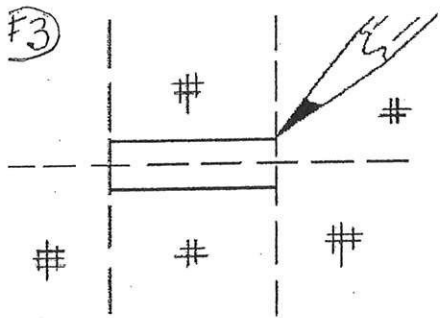
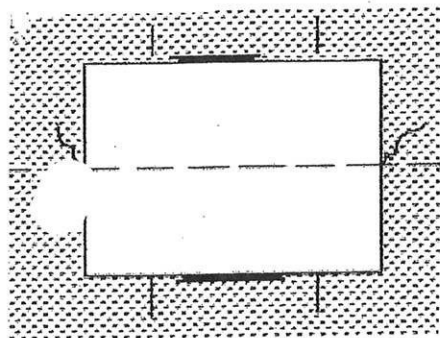


Level 7 Bound Buttonhole

Materials Needed: Fabric & Interfacing



1. Choose fabric.
2. Layout patterns & cut fabric & interfacing.
3. Mark buttonhole with thread, tracing paper or fabric pencil.
4. Fuse interfacing to wrong side of coat front.
5. Pin button patch to coat front with right sides together. (Centerline of button patch should match center of buttonhole.)
6. From interfaced side of coat front and using a small stitch, start sewing along one long side of the buttonhole. Pivot at corner, continue to the next corner, pivot and continue around buttonhole, pivoting at corners. Do not backstitch at the end, bring thread ends to wrong side and tie a knot.
7. Clip between the two stitching lines and clip diagonally to the corners, as shown. Do not clip thru stitching!
8. Pull patch through opening to wrong side of front. Roll edges of opening between your finger until each seam is at the edge of the opening. Press so that none of the patch shows on the front side.
9. To form buttonhole lips, fold each long side of the patch over the opening, so that the folds meet exactly at the center.
10. On outside, whip-stitch buttonhole lips together along fold lines and press in place. Whip stitching should remain in place until garment is completed.
11. To secure buttonhole lips and keep them from shifting, with front right side up, fold it back out of the way until you can sew the end of the patch and the triangle (formed by clipping corners in step 7) together. Using small machine stitches, stitch across the base of the triangle, catching patch. Trim lip ends to 1/4". Repeat on the other side.
12. On the other coat front (underlining), stay-stitch the rectangle shaped buttonhole. With right sides together sew 5/8" seam along coat edge. Grade seam and press. Turn right side out, press again.
13. On underlining piece of coat, clip buttonhole between the stitching lines and clip diagonally to the corners as in #7. Roll the unfinished edges under and hand stitch the underlining to the backside of the bound buttonhole. Press. - Remove Basting.

