

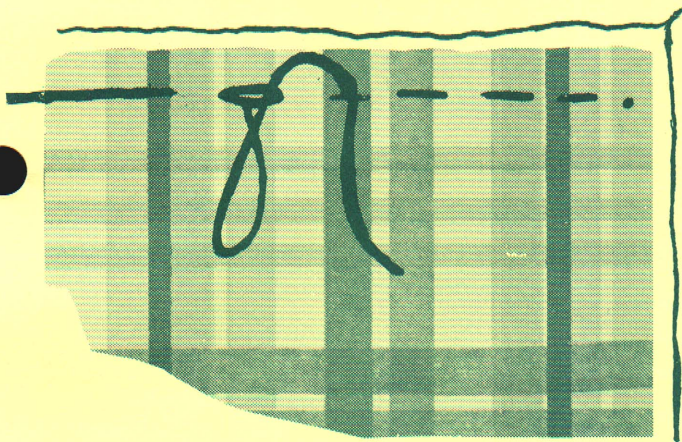
CLOTHING SAVERS

Touching Up
"Rewearables"

WASH! DRYCLEAN!
HAND STITCH!

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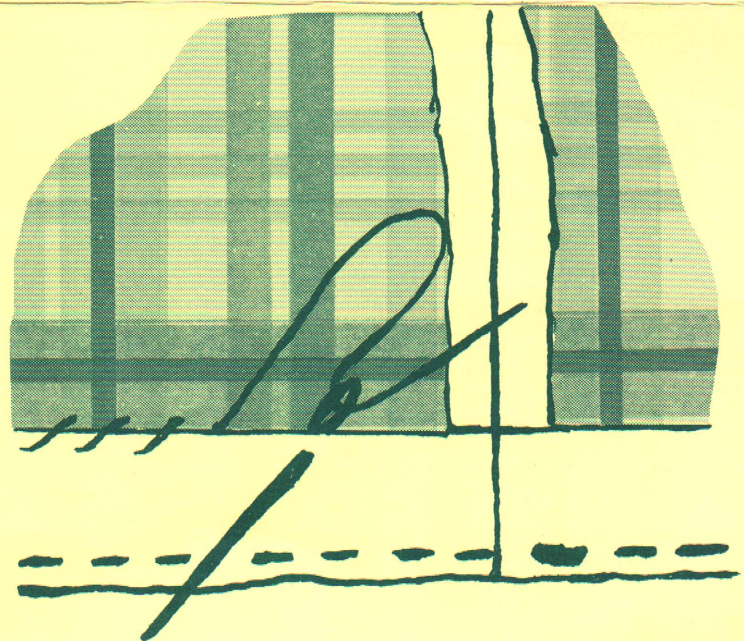
Running Stitch



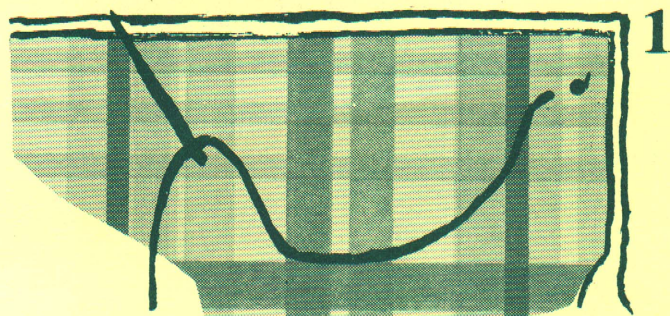
For mending opened seams.
For mending a hem in a skirt.
For repairing torn pocket corners:
Pin a small square of light weight
material under the torn corner.
Reinforce with the RUNNING stitch.

Overhand Hemming Stitch

For sewing in a hem.



Back Stitch

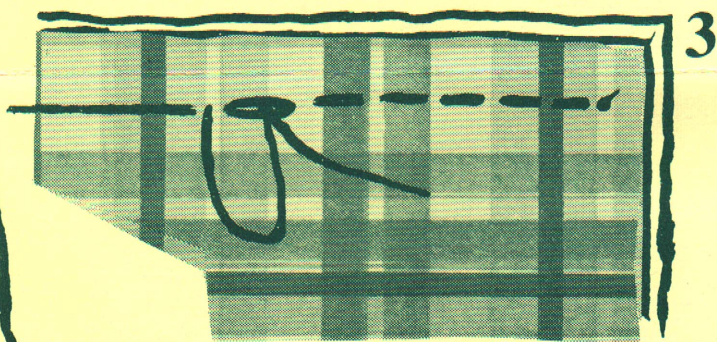
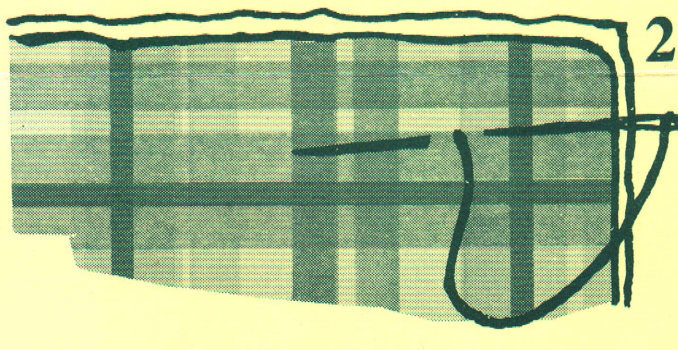


For mending opened seams.

For sewing down torn pocket corner.

For repairing ripped or strained underarm seams--

Lay a narrow strip of light weight material under the seam line and BACKSTITCH over the seam.



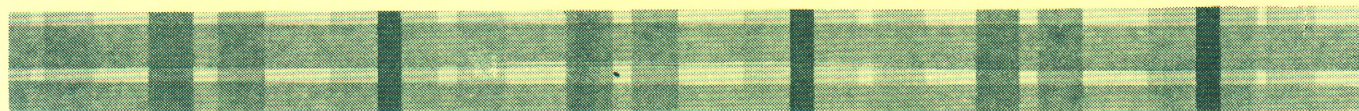
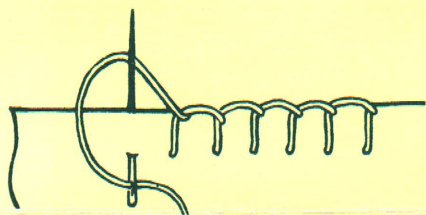
Blanket Stitch

For reinforcing raveled or weak buttonholes.

For sewing on loose snaps, hooks, and eyes.

The smaller and closer together hand stitches are made, the stronger they are.

End sewing stitches by making a knot or taking 2 or 3 small stitches over one another.



More touch up ideas will be found in:

- E-547 Sew on Your Own Snaps
- E-548 Sewing Hooks and Eyes on Your Clothes
- PA-766 Fix New Clothes To Make Them Last Longer

(Inquire at your local County Extension Office)