Puppets

Today we will be:
Practising our sewing skills.





Last lesson we found out how to join fabrics together using glue. Is there another way we could join fabric together?





Today we are going to be learning how to SEW pieces of fabric together so that we can make puppets that are sewn. Let's find out how we can do this...

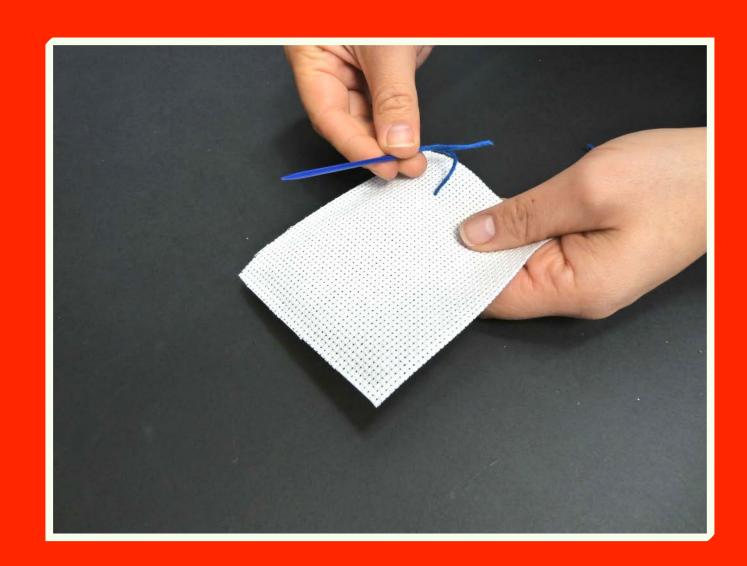






Running Stitch

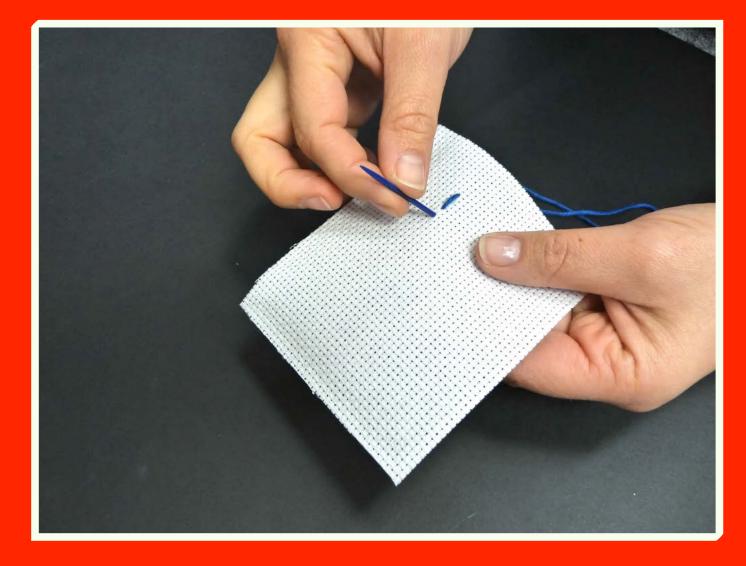
A running stitch is when you run the needle and thread through the fabric.



Bring the needle through the fabric from the back.



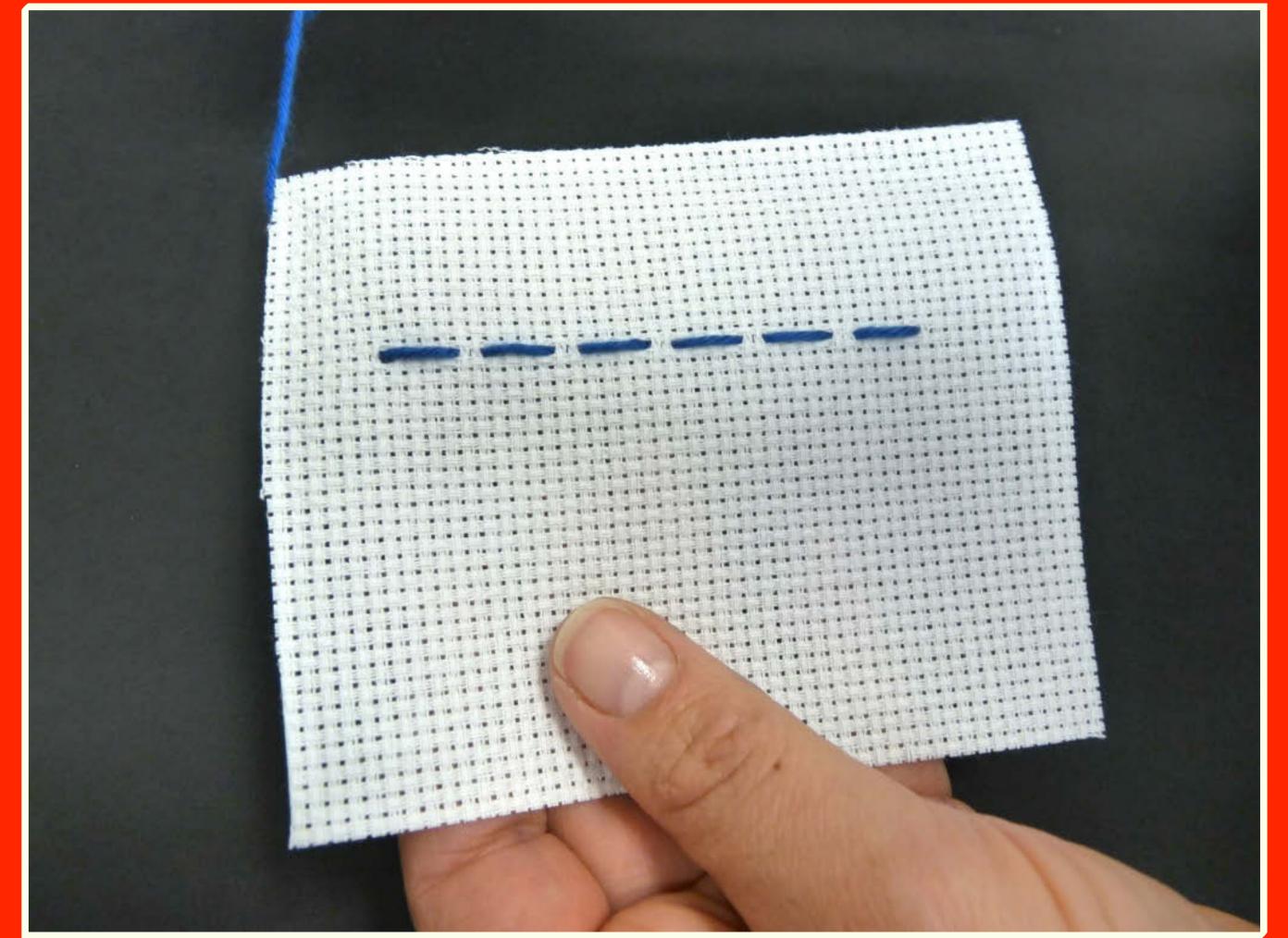
Move the needle along a bit and then put it back through the fabric.



Move the needle along at the back and then bring the needle back through.







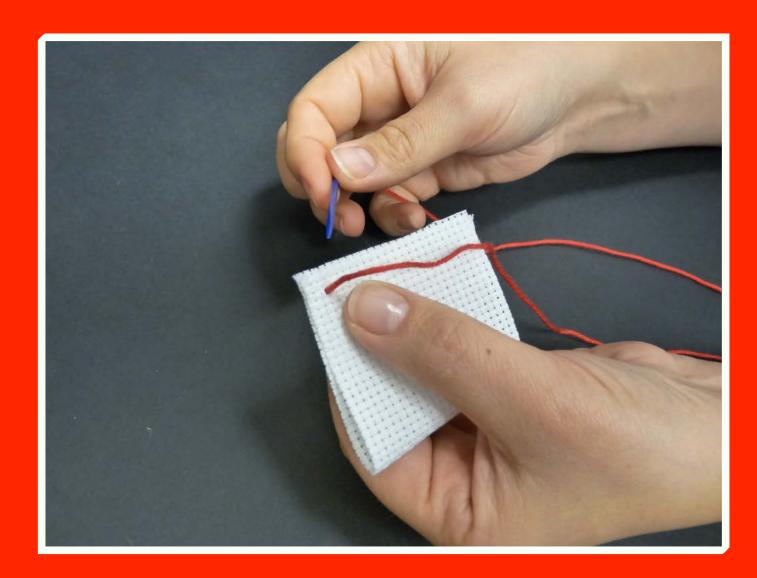
This is what running stitch looks like when it is finished.



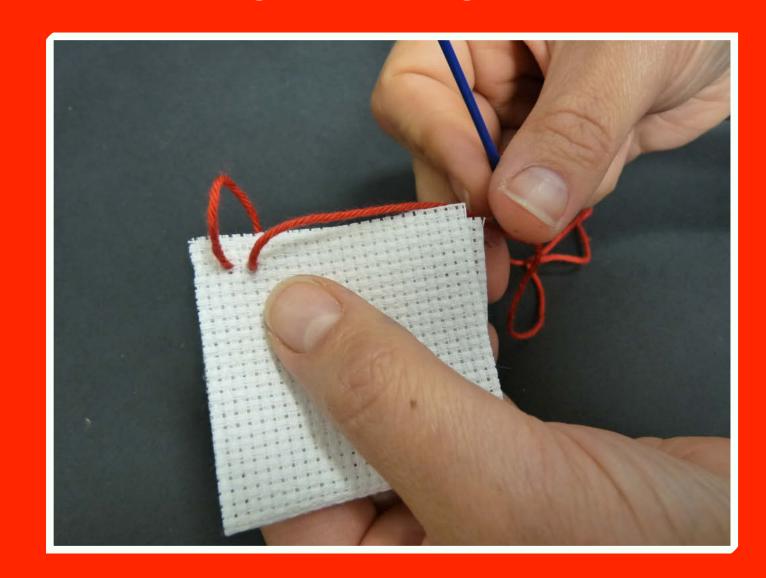


Over Stitch

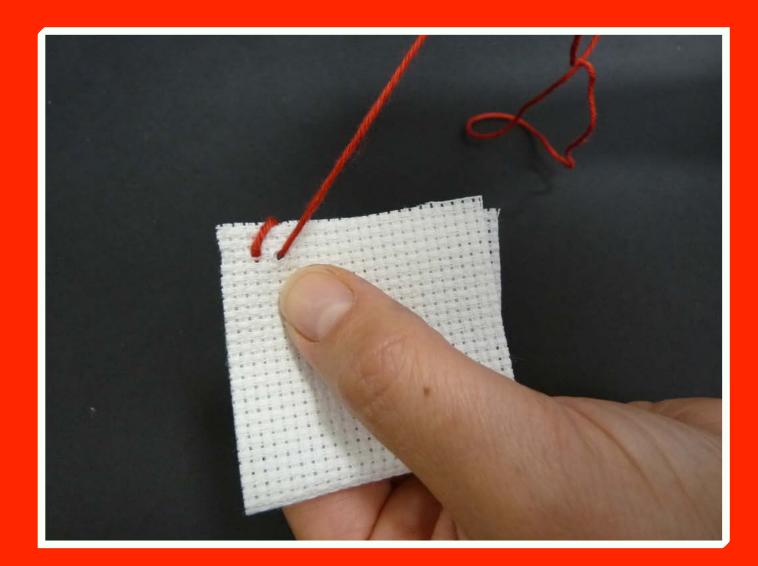
An over stitch is a different type of stitch which is good for sewing edges together.



Bring the needle through both pieces of fabric.



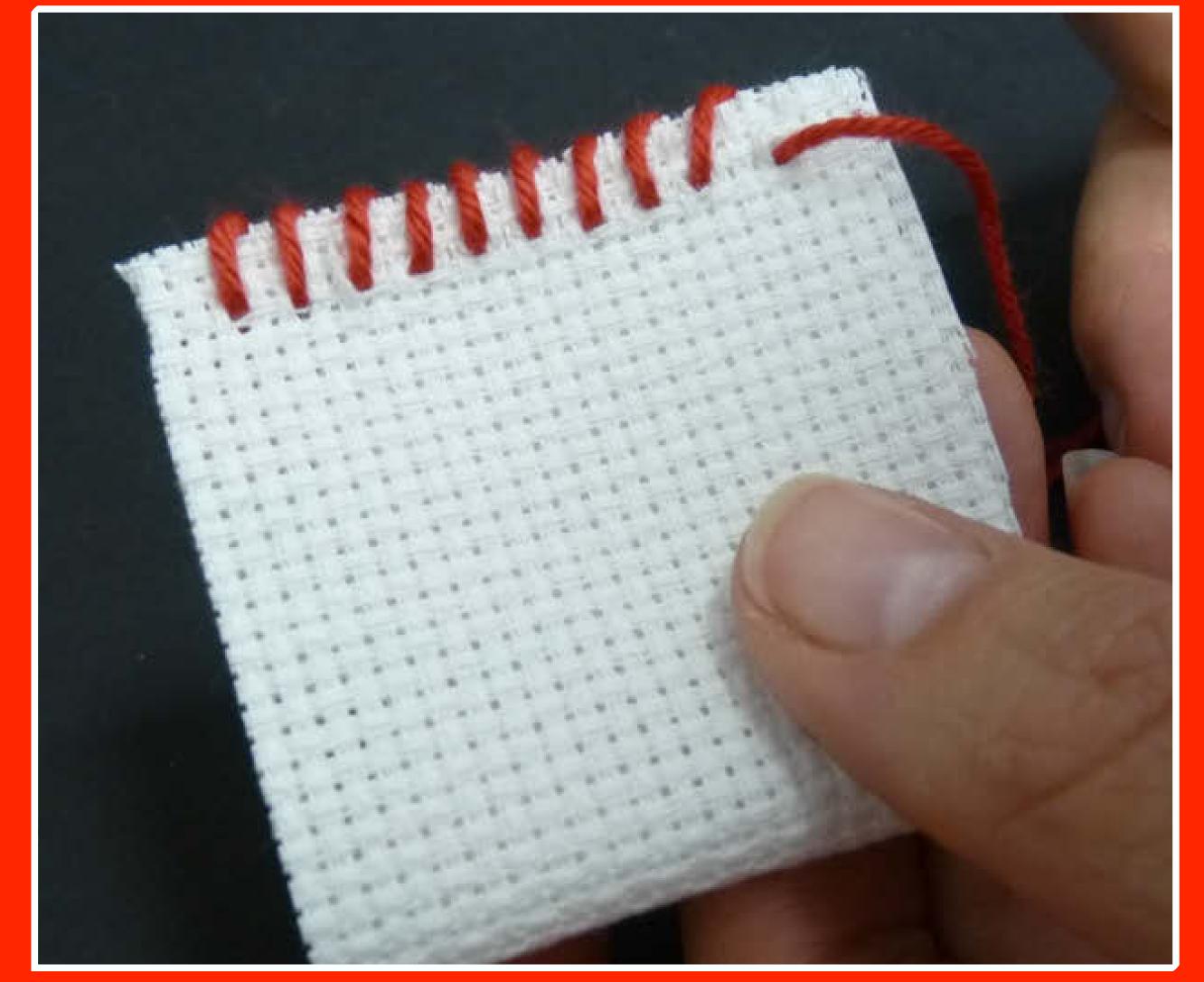
Loop the needle around to the back of the fabric over the two pieces of fabric.



Pull the thread so that it rests over the edge of the fabric.





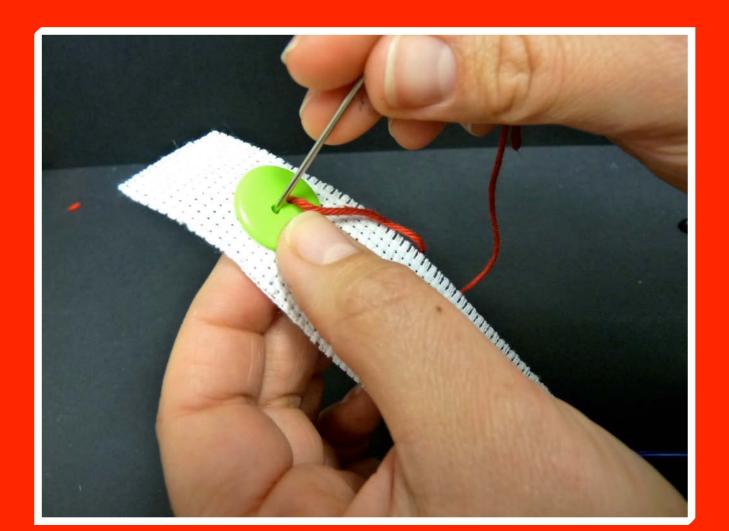


This is what an over stitch looks like when it is finished.

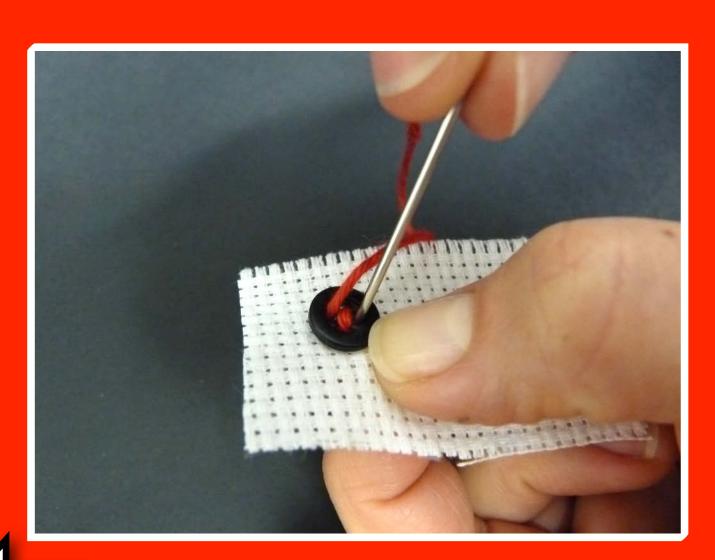




Sewing is also a much more secure way to add features, such as eyes or ears, to a puppet than gluing.









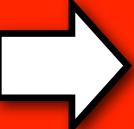
You can use the holes in buttons to sew buttons to fabric. Take the needle through the holes and around a few times until it is joined securely.





You can use running stitch to join pieces of fabric together to make decorations and add features.





Today we are just going to be practising how to sew fabrics and other objects together, so it doesn't matter if you make mistakes. However, we are going to be working with very sharp objects like needles.

How can we make sure that we stay safe when we are practising our sewing?

