

Design Brief

Design, make and evaluate seasonal stockings, with embellishment. Different fabrics will be joined using a range of stitches with increasing independence and further decoration will be added using buttons, beads, sequins etc.

Key Skills

- Choose the correct equipment for the task.
- Choose a suitable material(s) for the task.
- Choose the best stitches for the task.
- Measure and cut accurately using a pattern.
- Decorate the material.

What I Should Already Know

- How to sew using running stitch.
- How to sew using back stitch.
- How to sew using blanket stitch.
- How to cut around a template.
- When it is appropriate to use glue or other techniques to attach things to fabric.
- How to attach a button to a piece of fabric.
- Needles are sharp and must be used carefully.

Key Vocabulary

applique	To decorate fabric using stitches or by sewing different fabric on.
embellish	To make something more attractive by the addition of decorative details or features.
pattern piece	A template made of paper which is the same size and shape as the fabric you want to cut out.
embroidery stitches	Stitching for decoration.
seam	Where two pieces of fabric join.
sequin	A small shiny disc sewn on to clothing for decoration.



Key Information

- A Christmas stocking is usually an empty sock-shaped bag that is hung on Christmas Eve to be filled with presents on Christmas morning. Traditionally they are filled with small gifts such as fruit, nuts, sweets, or toys.
- There are different stitches that can be used to join fabrics together. Some are easier and quicker (e.g. running stitch) while others are more secure (e.g. backstitch) and some are more aesthetically pleasing (e.g. blanket stitch).
- Single round sequins, braids and buttons can be sewn to add decoration.

Links to other Learning

- Maths - measures
- D & T - textiles all year groups
- Whole school enrichment - Christmas Fair
- Art and Design

Key Questions

- Appearance/aesthetics - how will it look? Can you explain what you are making?
- Cost - how much will it cost to make?
- Customer - can you give your design a name?
- Environment - can it be recycled?
- Size - how big or small is it?
- Safety - how will you make it safe to use?
- Function/purpose - how will it work?
- Materials- what will you make it from? Have you planned your design and how you will create it?
- Manufacture - how will you make it? Do you like what you have made? Why or why not?

