



Two Easy Fastening Methods

Description



Besides from buttons and zips, there are other closure methods to finish your sewing projects with. In this tutorial, we will show you how to use Hook & Eye, and Snap Fasteners.

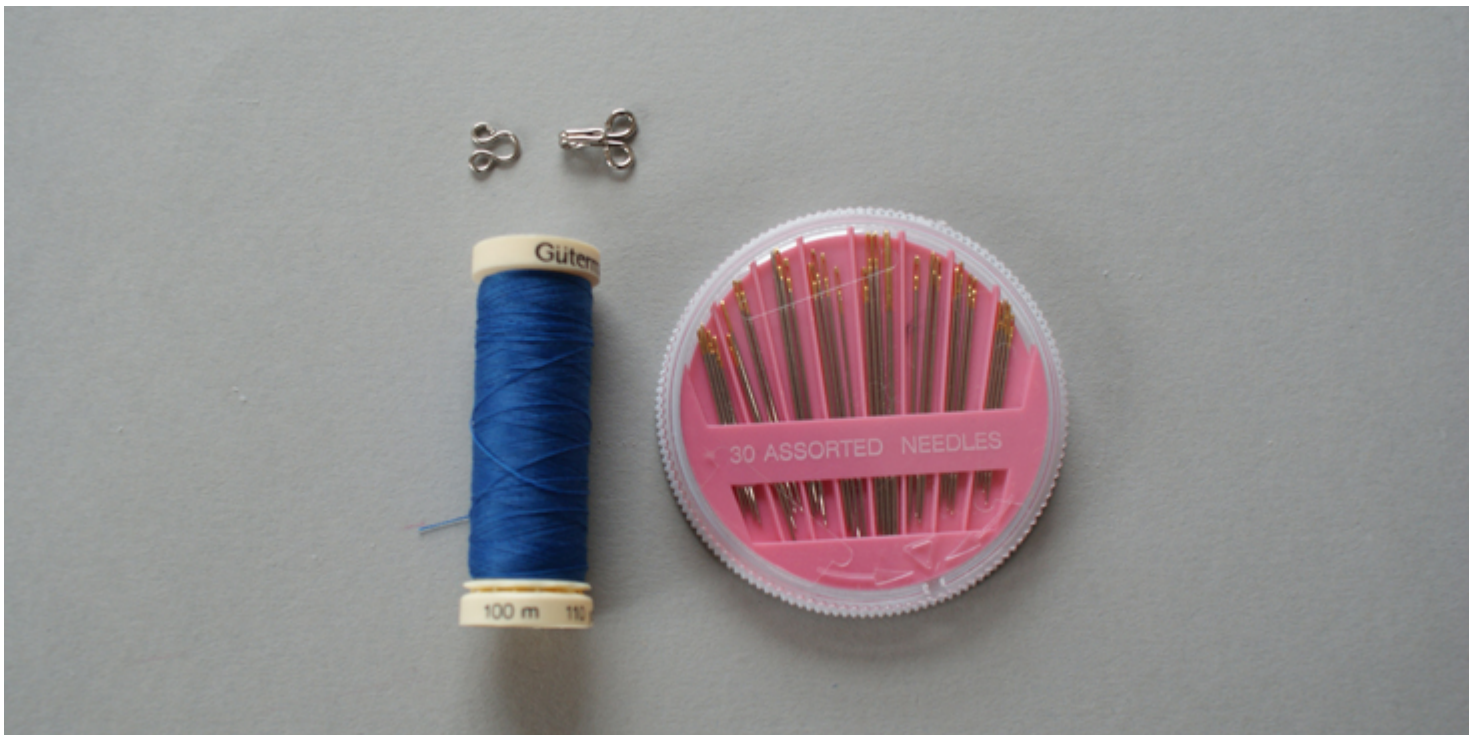
Hook and eye

This is a great closure method for trousers and skirts where the zip/button methods might not be the most ideal if applied all the way to the top of the garment. This method also ensures there are not thick layers of material on

top of another.

Tools

A pair of hook and eye
Sewing thread
Sewing needle
Erasable fabric marker



Step

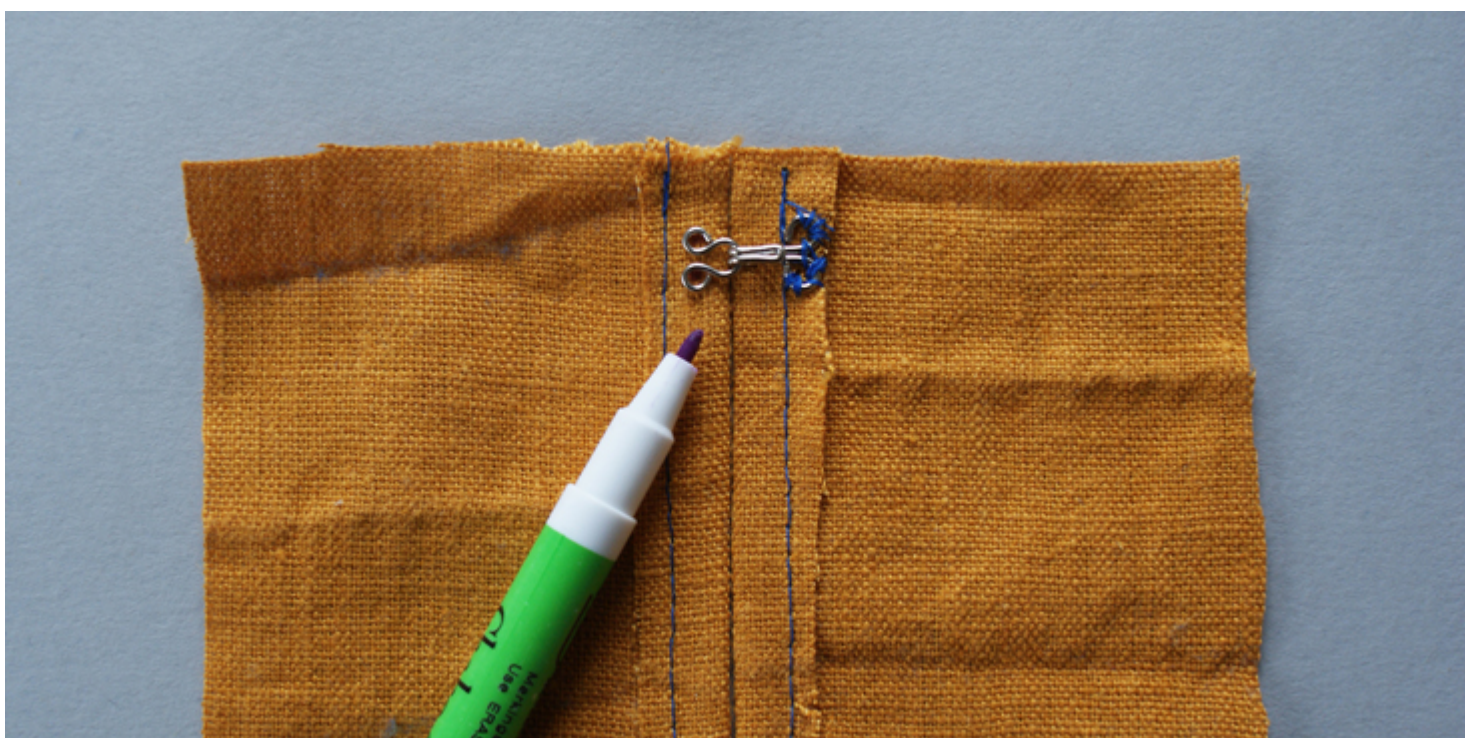
1. Making sure you have matched up both sides of the fabric, turn the fabric the wrong side up, use the fabric marker to mark where the hook is going to be.



2. Sew the hook onto the wrong side of the fabric first. Make sure the placement of the hook is further into the fabric than the edge.
3. When you turn the fabric onto its right side you should barely see the hook. This is so that when finished and in use, there is not going to be a gap between two sides of the adjoining fabric.
4. Next, sew the eye onto the other part of the marked fabric.
5. To determine how far into the fabric you should sew the eye, join it with the hook on the other side of the fabric, then match the fabric together to make sure there is no gap.



6. Make a mark for the eye on the wrong side of the fabric.



7. Sew the eye onto the fabric.

8. And there you have it. You can increase the sets of hook and eyes used depending on your sewing projects.

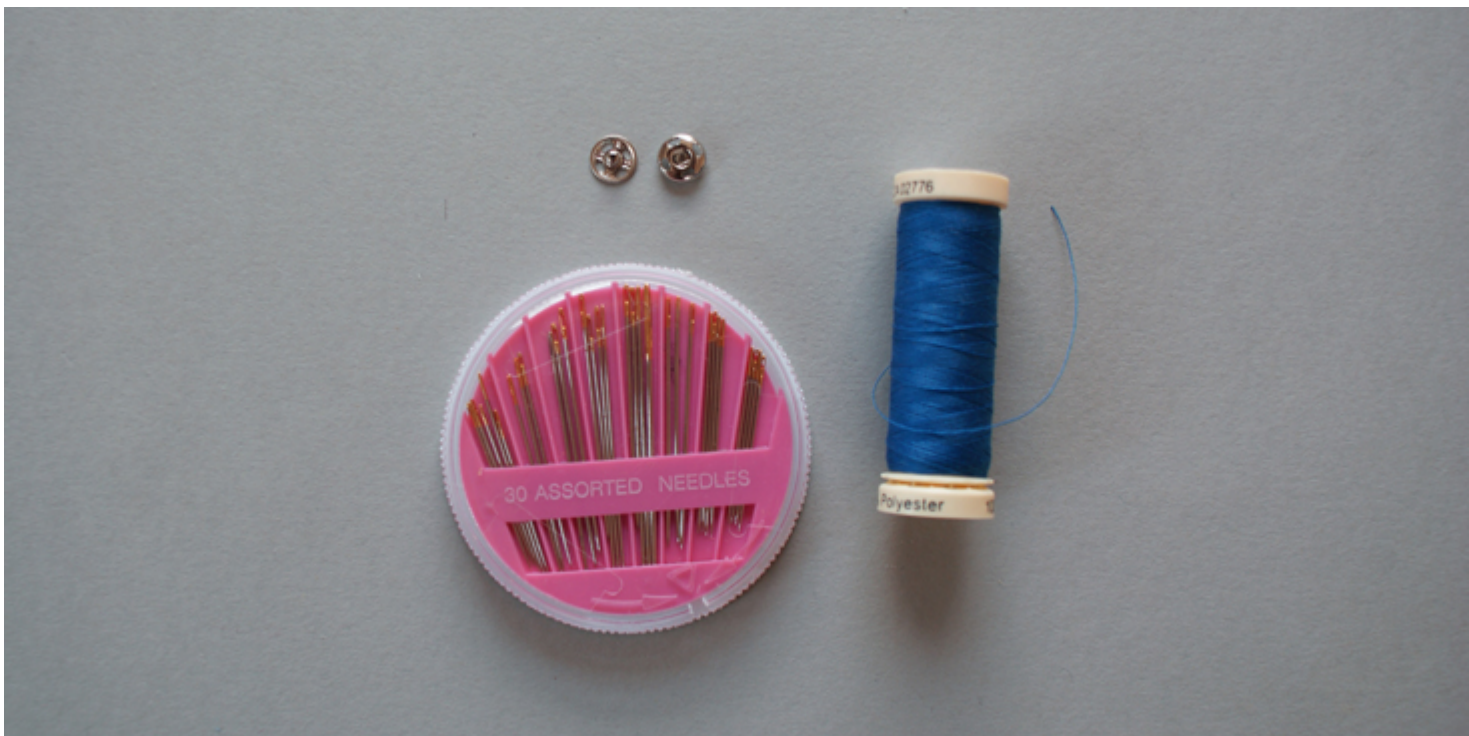


Snap Fasteners

Another type of closure method is using snap fasteners. Easy to hide, super flat and quick to sew, these can be used in many different sewing projects you have.

Tools

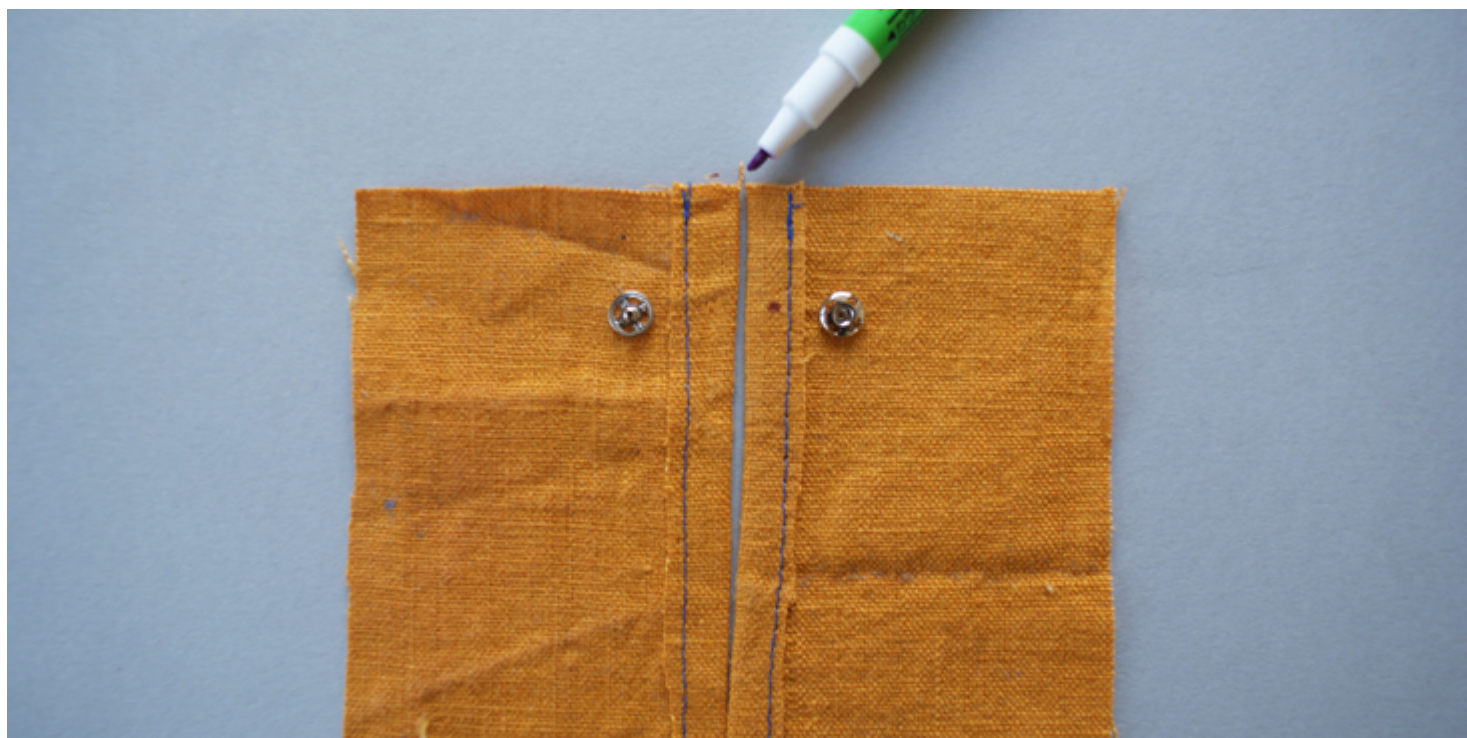
A pair of' snap fasteners
Sewing needle
Sewing thread
Erasable fabric marker



Steps

1. Match up the fabric where the snap fasteners' will be and make a mark on one wrong side of the material. Normally fasteners' are sewn close to where

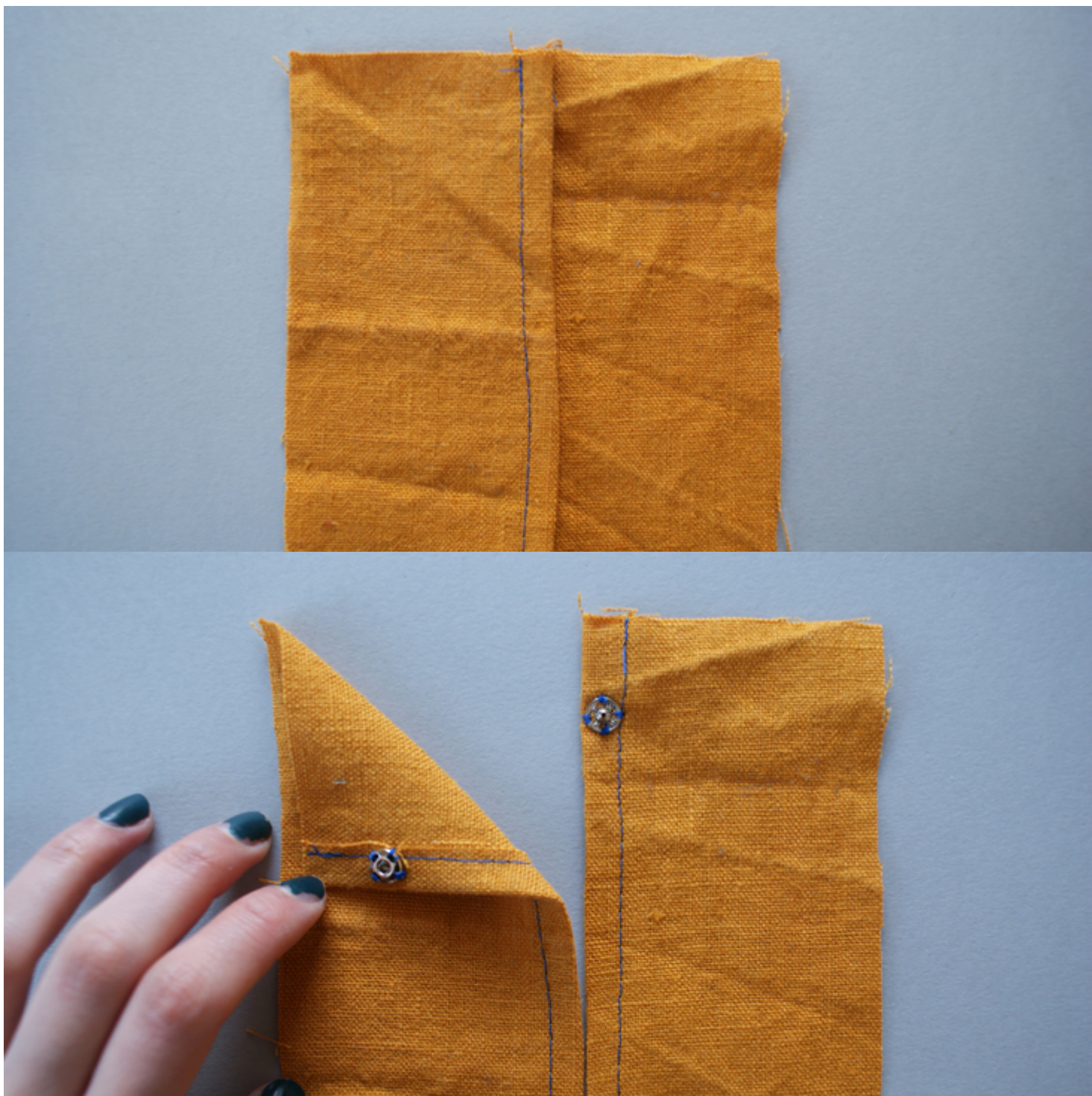
the folded seams are. This is to prevent large bits of fabric layering on top of each other.



2. Sew one part of the popper onto the fabric. Make sure the sewing does not show on the right side of the fabric.
3. Match up the other side of the fastener and mark it on the right side of the fabric.



4. Sew the other part onto the fabric.



Depending on your ideas you can sew as many or as few pairs of poppers onto your projects. For example, a row of poppers would work very well for the central back seam of a dress, or a pair of gigantic poppers can work well in an opening seam of a tote bag. The possibilities are endless.

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