

sewing WORKBOOK notes

"The BASICS" notes

VISITING A FABRIC STORE

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1. Fabric is divided into many different sections at the store. Name some:
APPAREL, HOME DECOR, QUILTING, OUTDOOR, SPECIALTY, etc



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2. Fabric comes wrapped around cardboard that are called **BOLTS**.
3. What important information can you learn from the label on the end of a bolt? **PRICE, FABRIC WIDTH, FIBER CONTENT, CARE INSTRUCTIONS**
4. Bolts of fabric usually comes in which 2 sizes?
45" WIDE & 60" WIDE



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5. Where do you get your fabric cut? **FABRIC CUTTING COUNTER**
6. How are books & patterns usually organized in a fabric store?
BY PATTERN COMPANY & NUMBER (filed into drawers)
7. Do patterns have to be used just for what is pictured? Explain.
No. You can use different fabrics, notions, & make alterations.



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8. List 3 Items you might find in the notions area of the fabric store.
Elastic, Zippers, Buttons, Bias Tape, etc.
9. List some other departments you might find in the fabric store.
Floral, Paper Crafting, Art, Jewelry Making, Knitting, etc

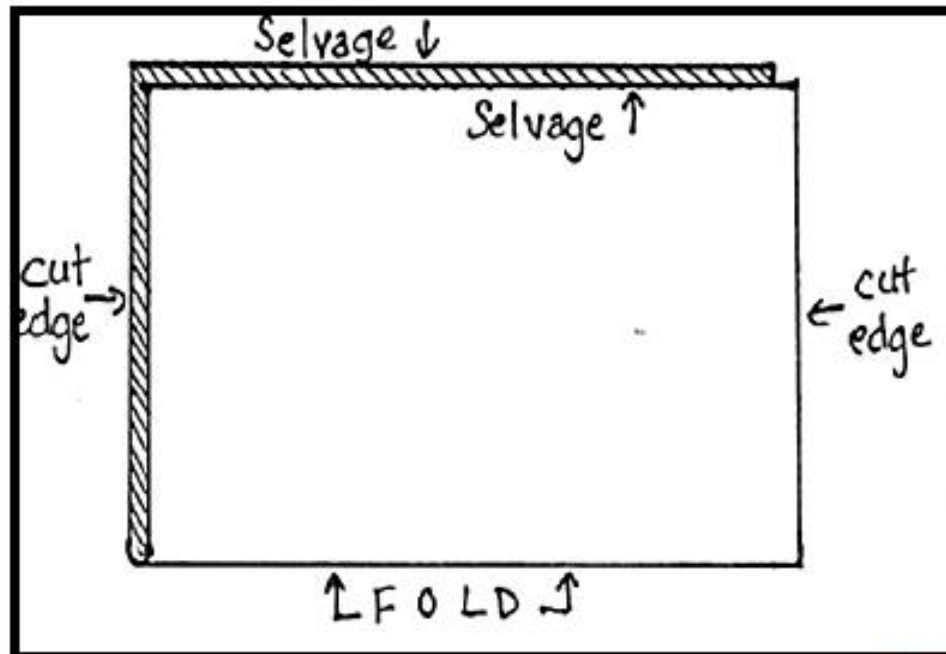


FABRIC ANATOMY & ROTARY CUTTING



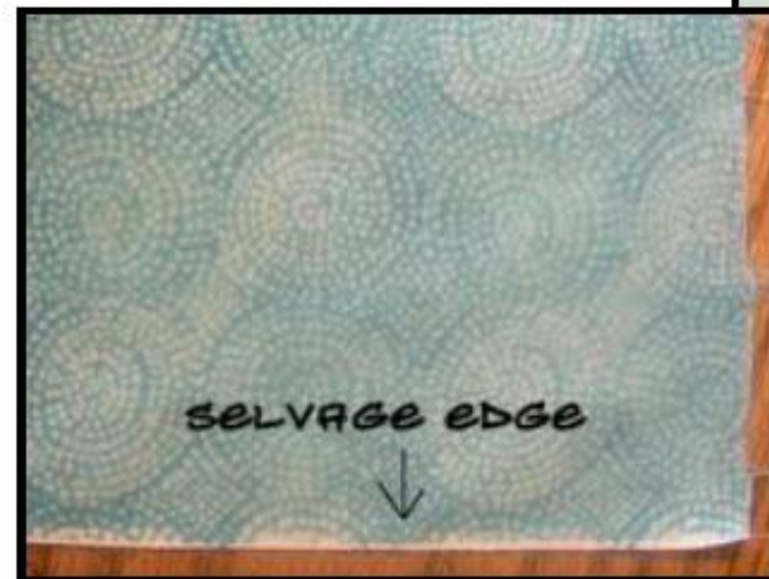
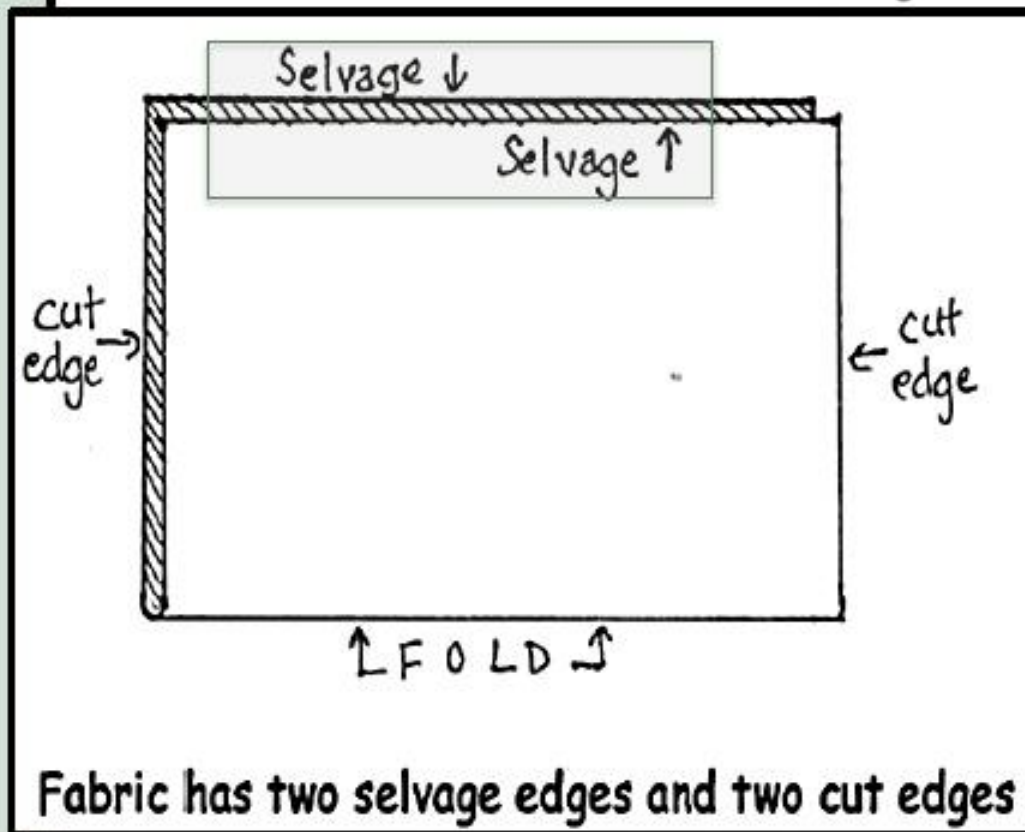
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What is a BOLT? Cardboard with yards of fabric wrapped around



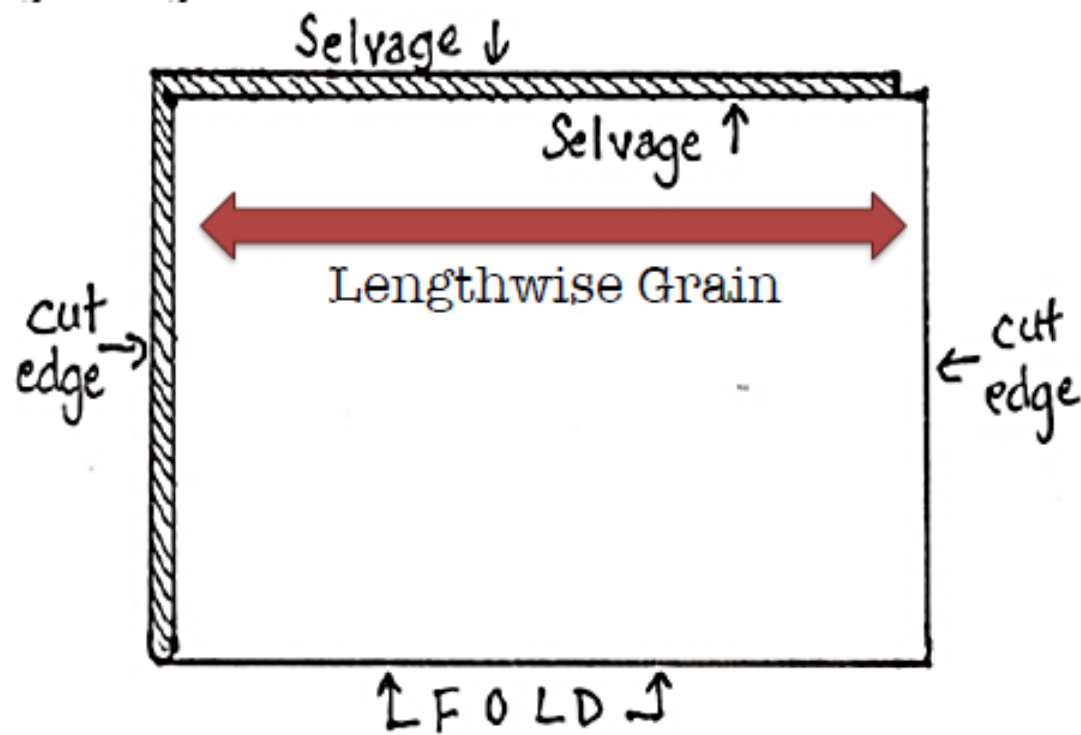
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1. SELVAGE - Finished edge of fabric



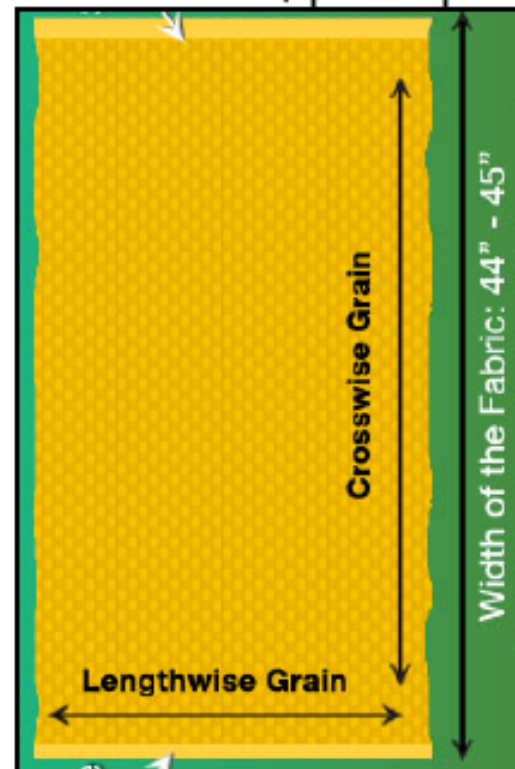
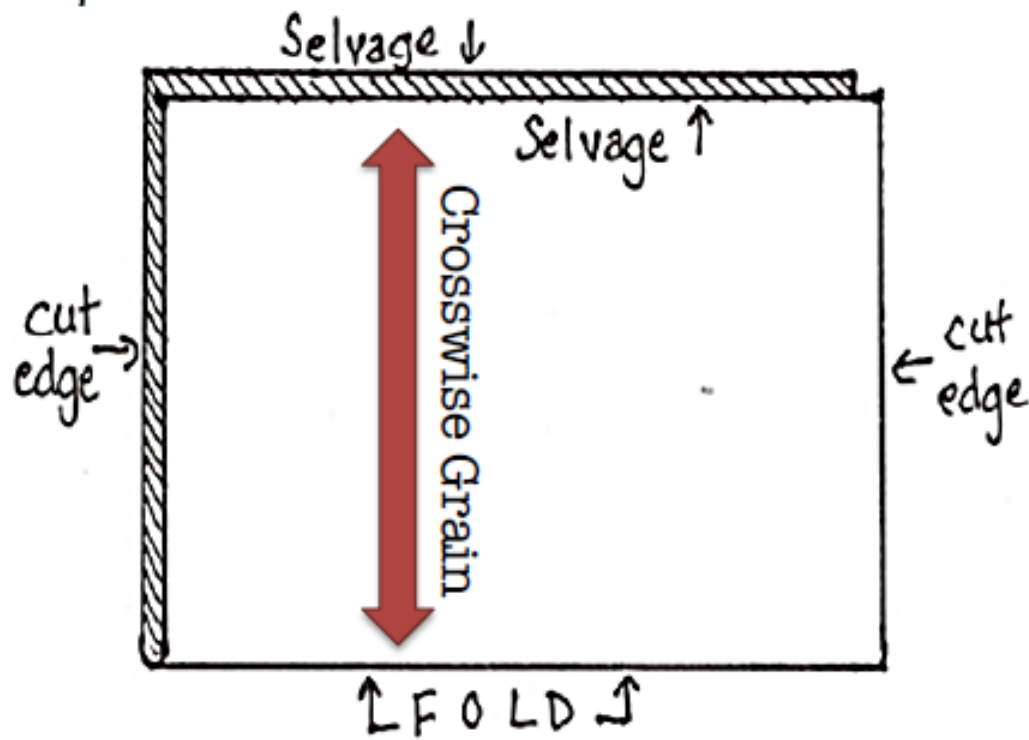
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2. LENGTHWISE GRAIN - grainline that runs PARALLEL to the selvage edges



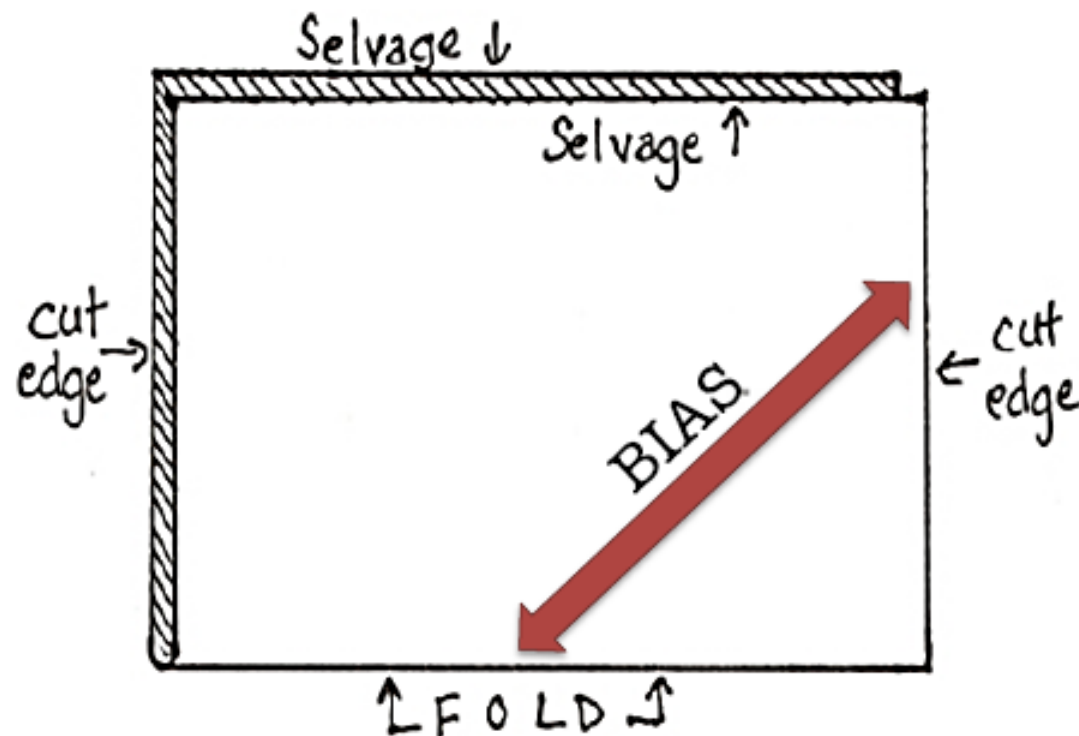
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3. CROSSWISE GRAIN - grainline that runs from selvage to selvage or the width of fabric (PERPENDICULAR to selvage edges)



FABRIC ANATOMY

4. BIAS - the 45-degree angle on fabric. Known for its STRETCH.



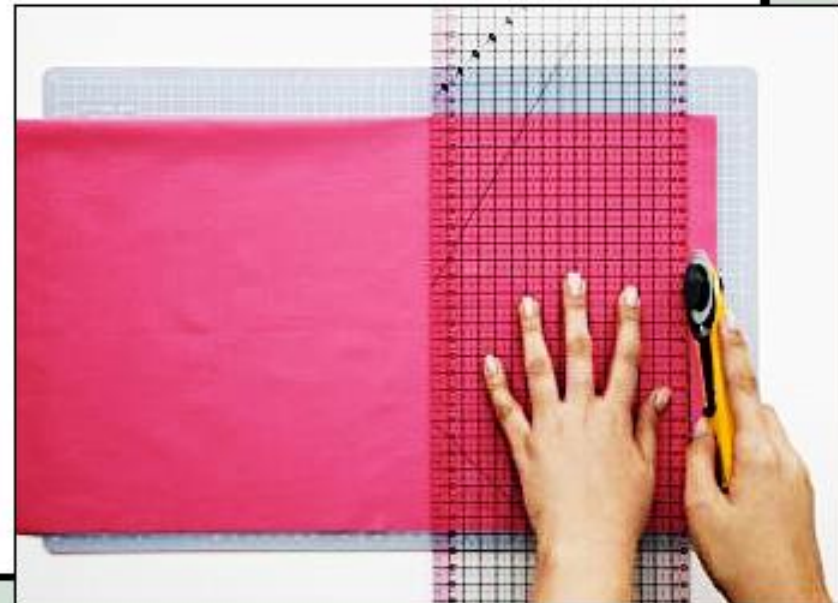
ROTARY CUTTING

List 3 Safety Tips when using the Rotary Cutter:

- 1 Cut away from you
- 2 Keep your guard up
- 3 Sharper blade is safer

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1. With selvages together, press flat
2. Line up folded edge with line of rotary mat
3. Straighten off one edge
4. Measure down & cut off at desired length
5. Turn and line up squared corner
6. Cut off at 2nd desired length



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Other tips for the Rotary Cutter:

1. Hold the ruler in your left hand, cutter in your right hand
2. Use the gridlines on the ruler and mat to line up straight
3. Count squares for accurate measurements
4. Keep your pointer finger on the grip

