Burwell Village College Primary

Textiles – Clothing

Vocabulary	
upcycling	the activity of making new products from used or waste materials.
mockup	a model that shows what the product will look like early in the design process – it does not work
prototype	a working model of the product used to test and evaluate
alteration	a change or adjustment
seam	a line where two pieces of fabric are sewn together to join them

Max Alexander (aged 10) is fashion designer from Los Angeles. His clothes are often made using:



- recycled fabrics
- old dresses
- fabric scraps
- reused materials such as parachutes and handbags

His work focuses on **sustainable fashion**, which means creating clothing in a way that helps protect the environment.

What is a pattern?

* A pattern is a template or guide used to cut fabric
* Pin to the fabric before cutting.

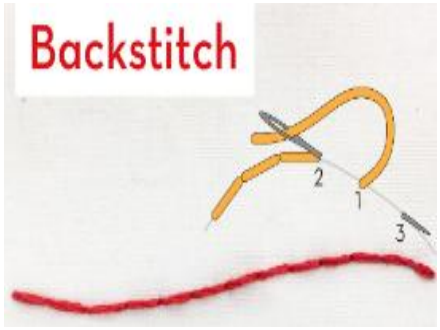


What is a hem?

* A hem is a folded and sewn edge of the fabric.
* 1.5cm
* It stops the edges from fraying or coming apart.
* It looks neat and tidy.
* A hem adds strength.

Backstitch

Backstitch is used to join fabrics by sewing backwards along the line. It creates a solid, continuous line of stitching that is ideal for seams.



Blanket Stitch

Blanket stitch is used for edging any material. To create a neat and consistent finish, the stitches should be the same distance apart.

