

DT: Textiles: Cross-stitch and Applique

Key Vocabulary:

Applique	When a fabric is applied on top of another to decorate it.
Cross-stitch	A stitch formed of two stitches that cross each other.
Template	A paper template is a shape used to mark out fabric for cutting.
Seam Allowance	Seam allowance is the extra fabric between the stitching line and the edge of fabric which helps to prevent fraying
Running stitch	A straight stitch that is created by passing the needle in and out of the fabric at regular intervals.



Sticky Knowledge Facts:

- Cross-stitch is stronger than the running stitch as it overlaps thread and requires more force to be pulled undone
- A paper template can help designers cut their fabric to the correct size by pinning the paper to the fabric and cutting round it.
- Applique should be securely sewn on with small, neat stitches kept close together.
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