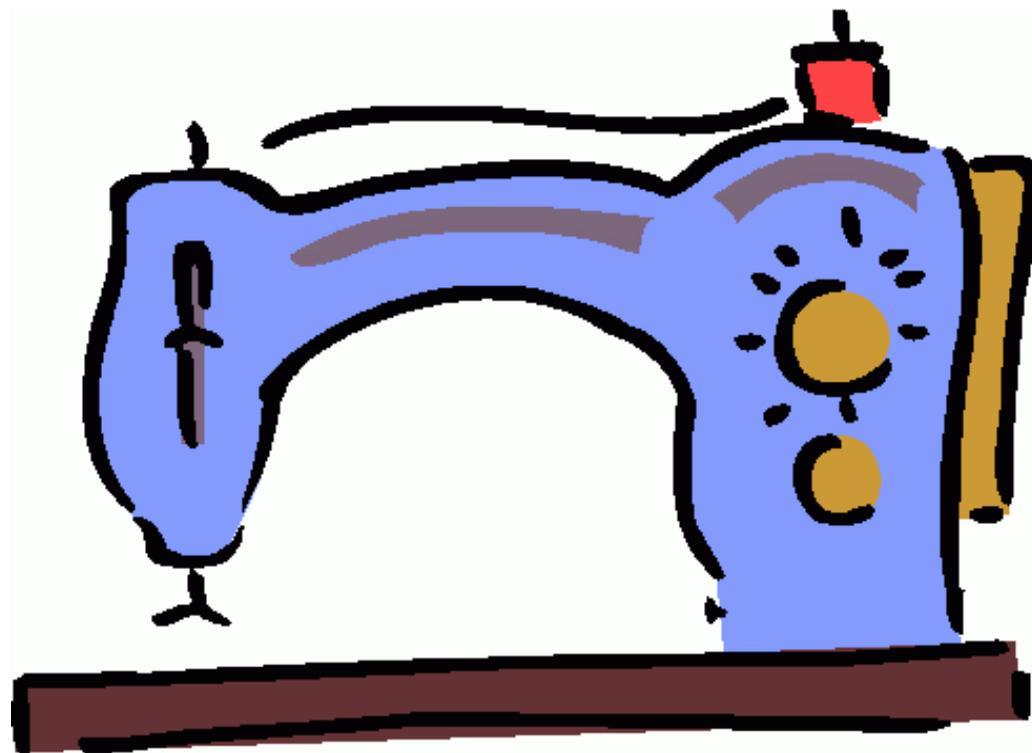
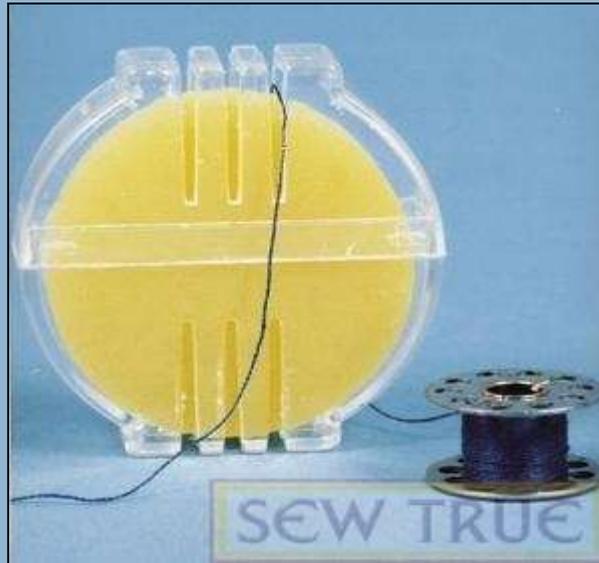


Sewing Equipment



1. Beeswax

Coats and strengthens thread for hand sewing or embroidering. It also helps prevent knots.



2. Bobbin

A small spool, made of plastic or metal, around which the lower thread of the sewing machine is wound.



3. Bobbin Case

The part of the sewing machine that holds the bobbin.



4. Bodkin

A small tool used to draw elastic or other material through a casing.



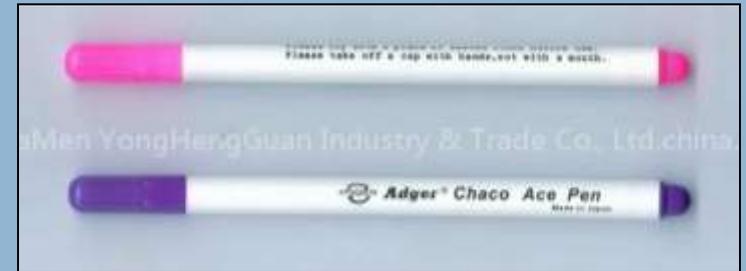
5. Lint Roller

Used to remove thread and fabric fibers from clothing.



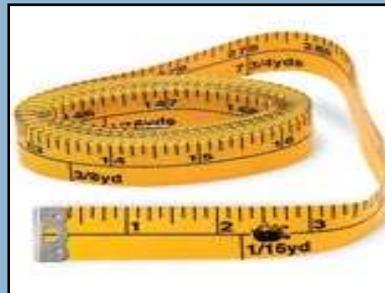
6. Marking Pens or Pencils

Fabric safe pens or pencils used for transferring pattern markings. Most are water-soluble or have disappearing ink.



7. Measuring Tape

Flexible piece of equipment used to measure body measurements, grainlines and long distances.



8. Needle

A small, slender piece of metal with a sharp point at one end and a hole, or “eye” at the other. Used for hand sewing.



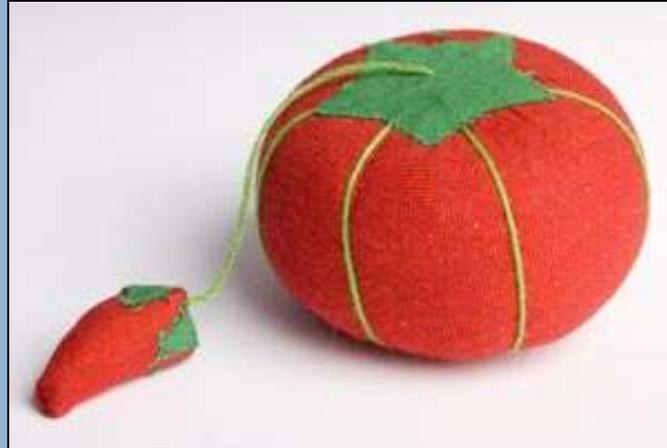
9. Needle Threader

A small piece of equipment used to pull thread through the eye of a hand needle.



10. Pin Cushion

Small cushion used to hold and sharpen straight pins.



11. Pins

Holds layers of fabric together for cutting and sewing.



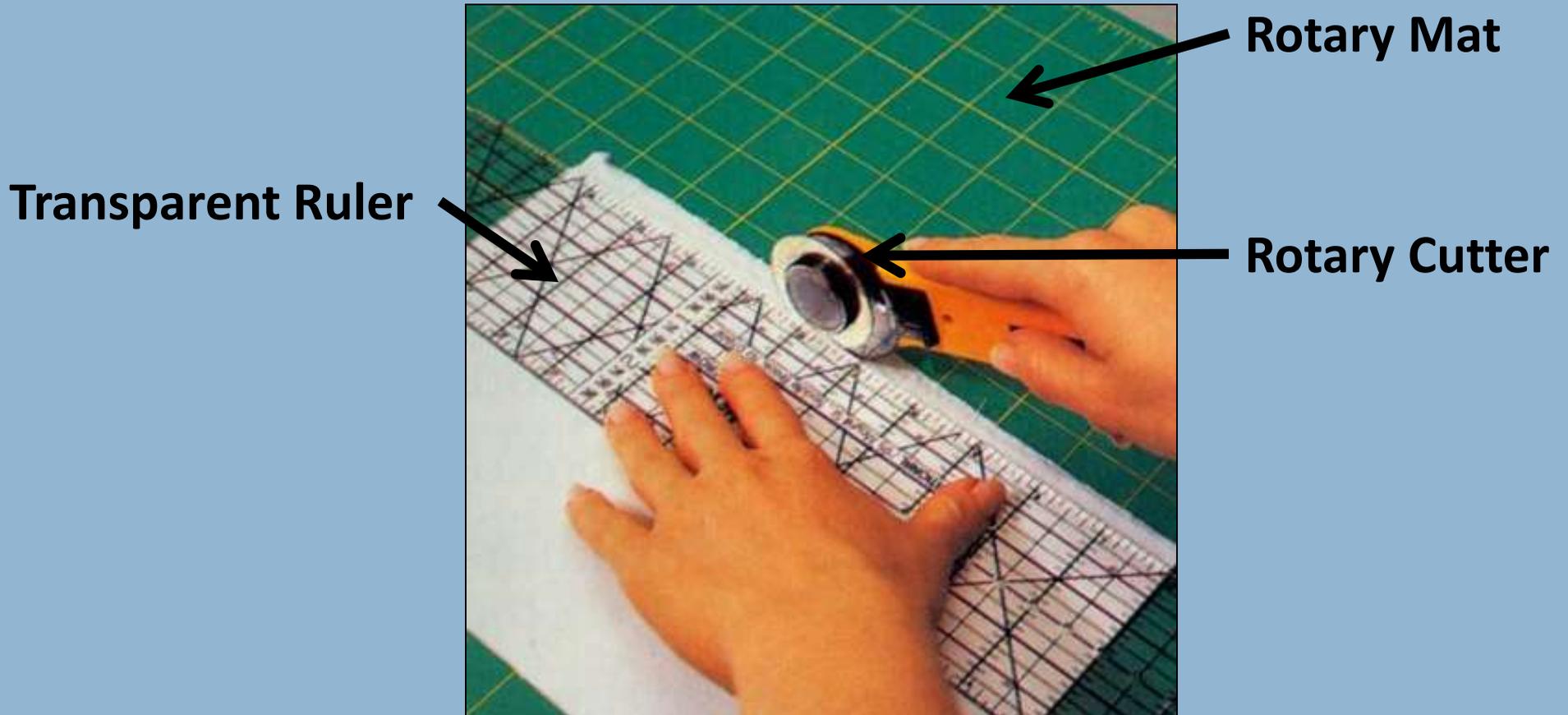
12. Pinking Shears

Shears used to cut a zig-zag, ravel-resistant edge on the fabric.



13. Rotary Cutting Equipment

Equipment used to cut very straight, clean lines in fabric. Never use the rotary blade without the transparent ruler or the cutting mat.



14. Safety Pins

Pins used to fasten fabric together that have a protective clasp on the end.



15. Scissors

Scissors used for cutting patterns and other non-fabric items, like paper patterns.



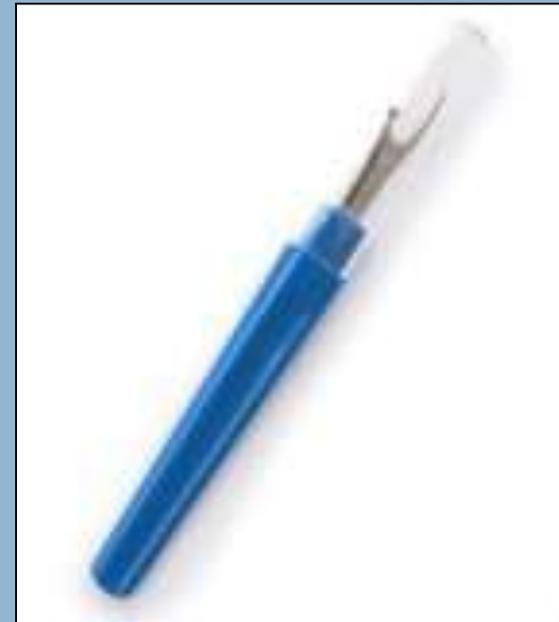
16. Seam Gauge

Metal six-inch ruler with a sliding marker. Used for measuring distances of 6-inches or less, especially seam allowances.



17. Seam Ripper

Useful tool that helps unpick small stitches.



18. Shears

Sharp cutting tool to be used ONLY on fabric.



19. Tailor's Ham

Used to press curves or darts in projects.



20. Thimble

A small metal cone used to protect fingers during sewing.



21. Thread

A very long, thin strand of cotton, nylon or other fibers used for sewing. Standard thread is “all-purpose” and high quality thread prevents stitching problems.



22. Specialty Thread

Includes thread such as quilting, heavy duty, embroidery and metallic. These are used for specific purposes or for decoration.



23. Tracing Paper & Wheel

Powdered paper and metal wheel used to transfer pattern markings to fabric.

