

Year 2 Art/Craft - Suggested activities for home

- Linked to our topic on plants and flowers you might like to collect flower heads, petals, seed heads or leaves that you find on the ground while on a walk or some from your garden to sketch or paint
- You might choose to press them between the pages of a heavy book or use a flower press if you have one - leave them for a few days before creating a collage by sticking them onto paper to make a picture or a pattern
- While out for daily exercise, you might collect sticks, leaves, stones etc from the ground in a bag and once back at home, use them to create a collage on a hard surface. You could take a photo of your collage once you have finished
- For some fun drawing lessons try 'Draw with Rob'

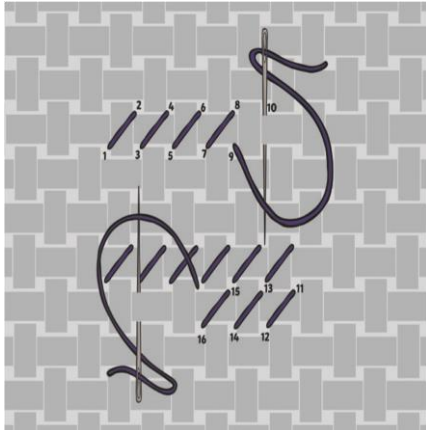
<http://www.robiddulph.com/draw-with-rob> and can also be found on youtube
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBpgrJijMpk_pyp9uTbxLdg

- You might like to use your window frame as a picture frame and sketch and colour/paint what you can see out of your window
- If you have some spare buttons at home, you could use some to create a nature picture e.g. of a flower or an animal. Again, you could take a photo of your picture once you have finished
- You might like to sew some buttons onto material to make a flower and then stitch a stem (if you don't have a needle and thread you could glue them onto material or paper instead). If you don't want to make a flower, you could something else of your choosing
- You might like to try some stick weaving using sticks or lolly sticks. Start by using one colour to weave in and out and then try switching to another colour to create a pattern



<https://www.thecrafttrain.com/basic-gods-eye-yarn-craft/>

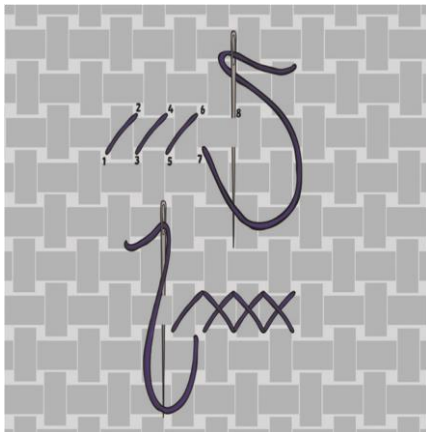
- Here are some examples of different simple stitch patterns for those that want to try some sewing of their own.



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Half Cross Stitch

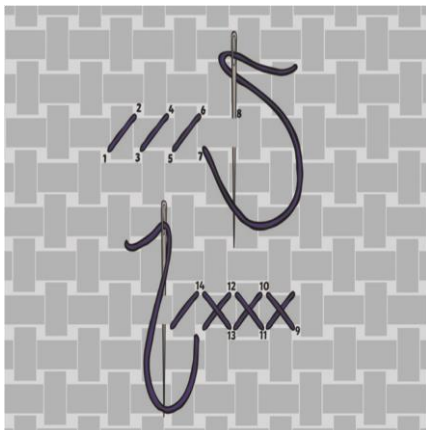
This looks like short, diagonal lines. Working on a set of four holes in a square, come up through bottom left and down through top right. This is one stitch done. Now, come up through the bottom right hole and you are now on the bottom left hole of the next set of four squares ready to go down the top right from where you are now. Second stitch completed. Continue.



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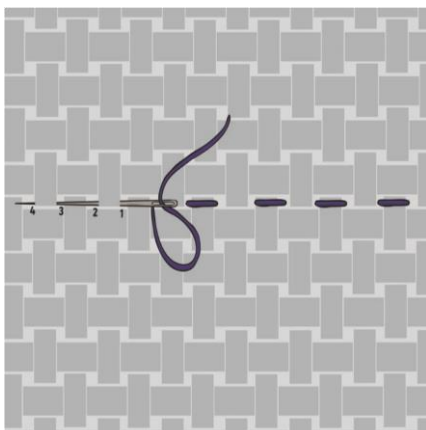
Continuous Cross Stitch

Work on a set of four binca holes. Come up though top left, down through bottom right, up through top right and down through bottom left. Then, come up again through top right, acting as the new top left for the nest set of four holes. (There are alternative correct ways of achieving a cross - this is a suggestion.



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Work as before on the four binca holes but on moving to the next set of four, do not use the same holes you've been working on. Use a fresh set of four instead. This provides a gap between.



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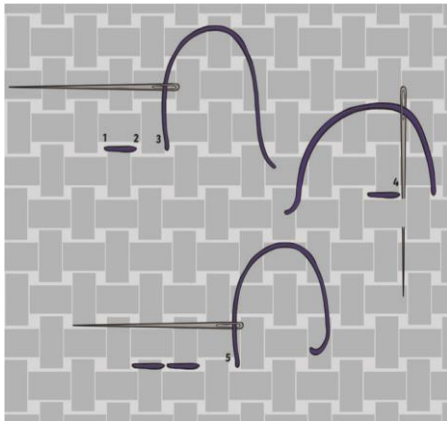
Running Stitch

A simple line of straight stitches with the needle going up through a hole, down through the next and continuing. When explaining to the children,

it is useful to liken this to the Loch Ness Monster coming up and down out of the water.

Back Stitch

This is basically running stitch with the gaps filled in. Start with one running stitch, then come up for the next stitch but rather than sewing on, go back a space and fill in the gap. Now come up through the hole you came up most recently and stitch forward for one running stitch. Then, repeat.



BBC Bitesize also runs a tutorial on how to make a shark bag/tablet case.....

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zqst82p>