

Activity 96

Fabric Findings

Directions for Part I: The selection of appropriate fabric and notions for your sewing project is important to the success of your project. Use the checklist below to assess the quality and appropriateness of a fabric you have chosen.

- | YES | NO | |
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| _____ | _____ | 1. Is the weave of the fabric firm and durable? |
| _____ | _____ | 2. Are the threads in the weave smooth and free of knots? |
| _____ | _____ | 3. Is the fabric free of holes or flaws? |
| _____ | _____ | 4. Is the fabric comfortable and pleasing to the touch? |
| _____ | _____ | 5. Are the crosswise and lengthwise threads of the fabric at right angles? |
| _____ | _____ | 6. Is the color of the fabric uniform throughout? |
| _____ | _____ | 7. Do you understand the information on the label regarding fiber content, shrinkage, finishes, and care? |
| _____ | _____ | 8. Is the fabric practical and appropriate for the way in which the finished project will be used? |
| _____ | _____ | 9. Is the color appropriate for the way in which the finished project will be used? |
| _____ | _____ | 10. If the fabric is patterned, does the pattern run straight with the grain of the fabric? |

Directions for Part II: Answer the following questions as they apply to the fabric you have chosen.

11. For whom are you making this sewing project? _____

If it is for another person, what are his or her favorite colors and designs? _____

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12. On what occasions or in what ways will the item be worn or used? _____

How did this information affect your choice of fabric for the project? _____

13. What type of care does the fabric need?

14. Estimate the total cost of the garment.

Fabric \$ _____

Pattern _____

Thread _____

Fasteners _____

Trim _____

Other notions _____

TOTAL \$ _____

15. Now that you have completed the checklist and determined the cost of the garment, think about the choices you have made.

A. Is the fabric you have chosen the best choice for your project? _____

Give reasons for your answer. _____

B. Are the notions you have chosen appropriate to the style and feel of the garment?

Give reasons for your answer. _____

C. Based on what you have learned from this activity, will you be making any changes in your choice of fabric or notions for the garment? _____

If so, what changes will you make? _____
