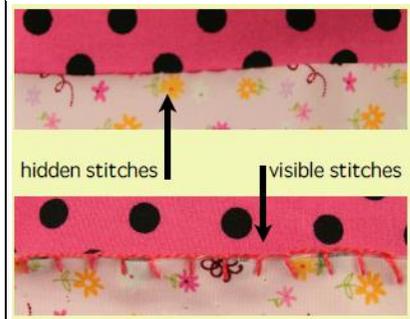


Planning, designing and making

To use our Batik cloth to make a cushion.

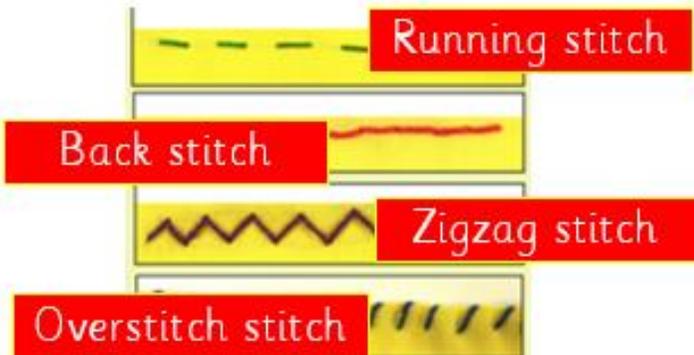
Batik is a technique of wax-resist dyeing applied to a cloth. This technique, originated from Indonesia.



How to sew on a button.



Reuse is the action or practice of using something again, whether for its original purpose or to fulfil a different function.



When evaluating you need to consider the aesthetics and functionality. Aesthetics refers to how appealing it is to look at. Functionality means if it is practical and useful.

Key vocabulary, knowledge and understanding

Cushions used to be a luxurious object only available to the wealthiest of people. By the Victorian period, cushions were no longer luxuries only for the rich. Due to the **industrial revolution**, the producing and dyeing of fabric became easier, quicker and cheaper, which in turn meant that the cushions were more adorable. Victorians used them to add comfort and style.

During the Egyptian period, cushions took the form of the headrest. There were raised platforms made from wood or stone.



At the time of the Jin Dynasty in China, around 350AD, hard cushions were still used. They were made out of materials such as ceramic, bamboo, wood or bronze. They were softened by laying fabric over them.



Natural fibres	Synthetic fibres
Cotton	Polyester
Linen	Nylon
Wool	Acrylic
Silk	

Clothing is made from fibres. Up until 1935, all fibres used were either plant or animal based. There are called natural fibres. Synthetic fibres do not come from nature and are made by humans.

1. Which one comes from an animal?	a. Silk	b. Polyester	c. Nylon	d. Acrylic
2. Which material was not used to make hard cushions during the Jin Dynasty in China?	a. Bamboo	b. Wood	c. Bronze	d. Gold
3. What does the word reuse mean?	a. breaking down of used items to make raw materials for the manufacture of new products	b. using something for the first time	c. the action or practice of using something again, whether for its original purpose or to fulfil a different function.	d. Making a new product
4. During the Egyptian period, cushions were used as a ...	a. Decorative object	b. Headrest	c. Bed	d. Seat
5. Only wealthy people have cushions in the 21 st century.	a. True	b. False		