



# Endpoints for Design Technology

## Year 6 – Make Do and Mend



By the end of this project, we will know a range of simple sewing stitches as well as learning ways of recycling and repurposing old clothes and materials.

<b>What I know and can explain</b>
Make Do and Mend was a campaign run by the Ministry of Information during the Second World War to encourage people to recycle and repurpose their old clothes rather than buy new
Deconstructing garments identifies how they were made, the materials used and their properties
Hand stitches include running stitch, blanket stitch and whip stitch
It is important to understand the characteristics of different materials to select the most appropriate material for a purpose. This might include flexibility, waterproofing, texture, colour, cost and availability.

### Make Do and Mend campaign

In 1943, the government introduced the 'Make Do and Mend' campaign to encourage people to recycle and repurpose worn-out clothes. Everyone was encouraged to improve their sewing skills. The character 'Mrs Sew and Sew' was introduced as part of the publicity campaign.



### Useful Vocabulary

- Bunting** - A row of brightly coloured small flags that are hung up as decoration for special events
- Fastening** - A way of closing or securing something
- Ration book** - A book issued by the government that allows a person to buy particular items when there are shortages, particularly during and after a war
- Rationing** - A system that allows each person to have a fixed amount of a commodity
- Recycle** - The process of converting waste materials into new materials
- Utility** - The usefulness of something