

Design Technology Year 4 Autumn: Christmas Decorations

Key Knowledge to know and use

- The design process starts with a design board. This is where ideas are gathered together. For example images, colour ideas and small pieces of material. This is used to narrow down ideas about what to make.
- Templates are shaped from card or other material, which are laid over fabric and then cut around. This will provide a clear shape for a product.
- A running stitch is series of stitches passing in and out of the material. This could be used to decorate the two halves of a product.
- An over stitch (also known as an overcast stitch) is a series of stitches that go under and over material and will be used to connect the two pieces together.
- Embroidery is the process where a piece of fabric is decorated using simple stitches.

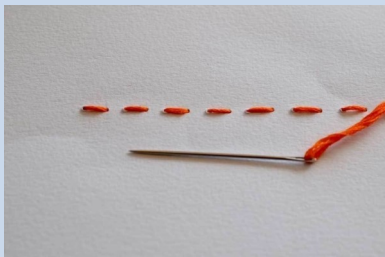


A unique decoration

Your festive decoration will be unique—only you will use your particular combination of colours, stitches and embroidery. It will be a design that represents you and your personality. Can you make it special, cheerful yet easy to make ?

Key Vocabulary to learn and use in your

Word	Definition
running stitch	A simple stitch that passes in and out of the material you are sewing.
over stitch	A more complicated stitch, the over stitch goes along the outside edge of material, joining two pieces together.
design board	A collection of pictures and samples of materials that help you choose ideas when making something.
embroidery	The craft of decorating pieces of fabric with thread or other material using a needle.
template	A shaped piece of card or other stiff material, that is used as a pattern for cutting around.



Running stitch and Over stitch

Running stitch (top picture) and over stitch are two new stitches that you will be using on your project.

