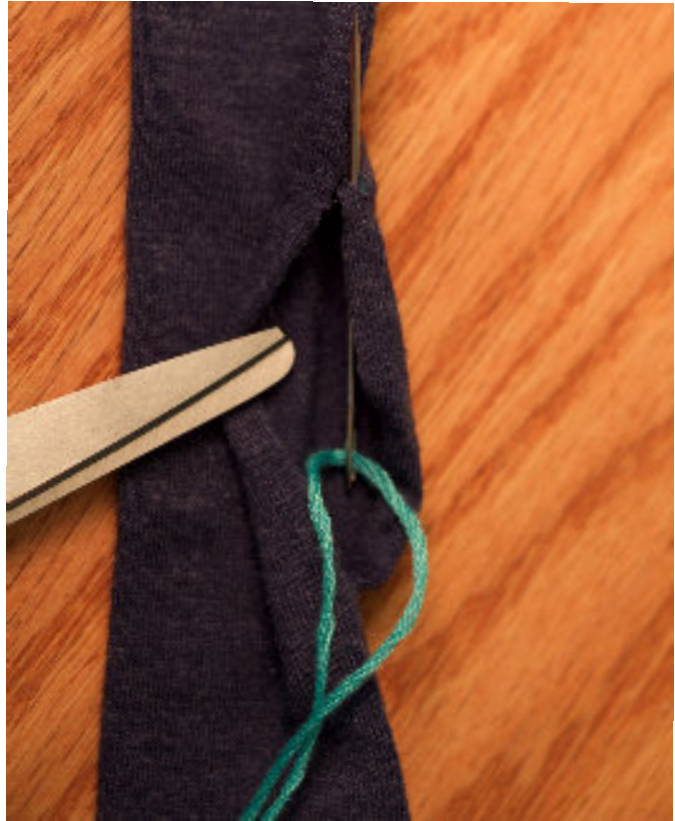
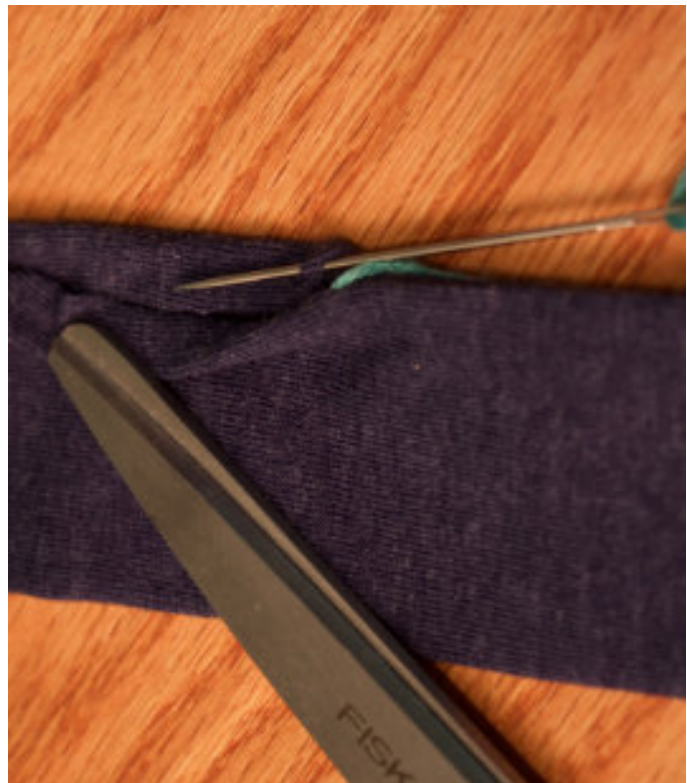


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1. Place the thread in opening and push needle out in the seam allowance near one end of the opening so the knot is hidden.



2. To keep the thread hidden place needle on the opposite of your starting and stitch, with about 1/4" stitch length, just inside the seam allowance.



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3. Repeat step 2 all the way up the opening going from one side to the other. Be sure that each stitch is just inside the pressed crease of the seam allowance



4. Once you've made your final stitch at the top of the opening pull on the thread through the right side and tighten stitches. Be sure not to pull too tightly. You have now closed the opening.



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5. It's time to tie off the opening. Bring the needle under the last stitch made at the top of the opening.



6. Pull the needle and knot the thread.



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7. Now, place the needle just inside the press crease. Push needle all the way through to the side of the belt.



8. Trim





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9. Slightly pull and spread apart sides of belt to bring the tail to the inside. You have now hidden the tail.



Refer to the diagram below for more visual help.

