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Sewing School: The Perfect Placket

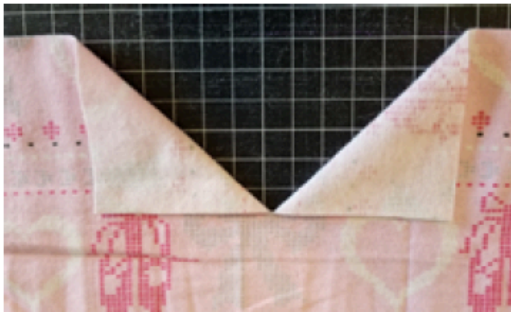
Creating the Skirt Placket

1. Fold your back skirt in half and place a pin at the Center Top.

Then unfold your skirt and lay it right side up.

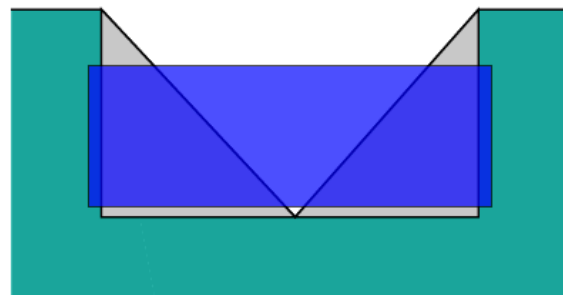
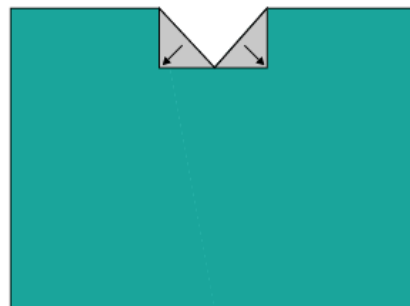
2. Measure 4.5" down from your pin.

3. Carefully cut down your marked line and finger press your opening to either side **RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER**.



4. Take your woven placket piece (shown in blue) and match one **long** side of the placket to the long raw edge of the pieces you just folded over. Place the **RIGHT** side of the placket together with the **WRONG** side of the fabric triangles you just made. The **short** side of the placket will **not** line up with the other raw edges of the skirt.

Note the placket is approximately 1/2" longer than your skirt raw edge. Center your placket. The extra will be snipped off in the last step.



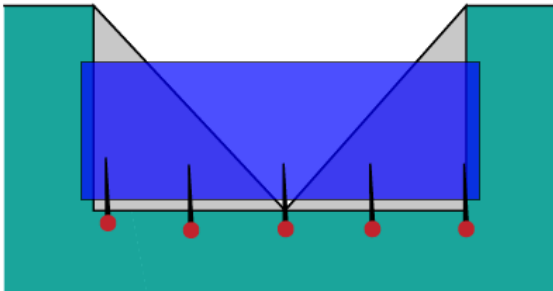


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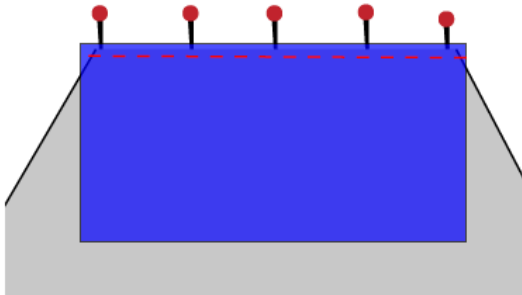
5. Pin the raw edge of the placket piece to the raw bottom edge of the skirt triangles.

The center pin right at the V of the skirt will pinch up a tiny bit and that's ok!

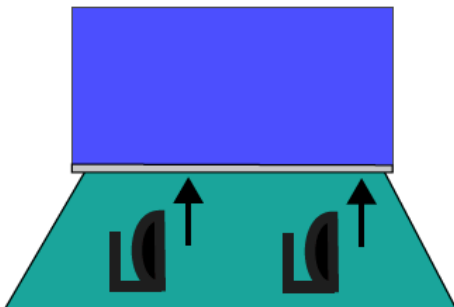


6. Turn your placket and push your skirt out of the way to isolate the placket/skirt edge. Sew along the edge of the placket with a $1/8$ " seam allowance. Make sure to reposition your fabric frequently to get the straightest sew line without catching any extra skirt fabric.

You can see where the little pucker right at the V of the skirt is. Again, that's ok!



7. Turn your skirt Right Side up and press the seam UP towards the placket

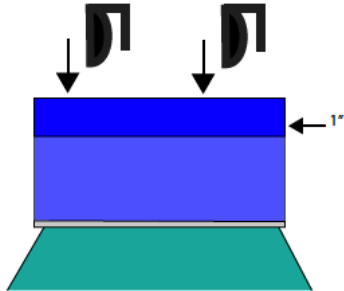




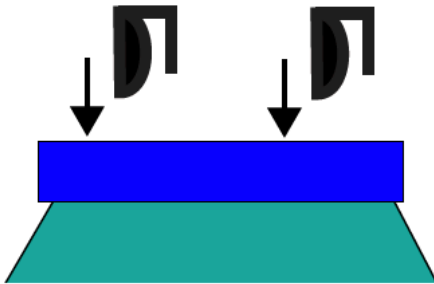
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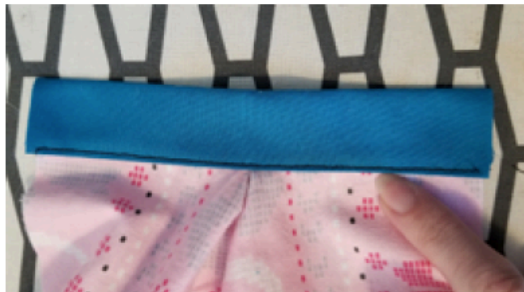
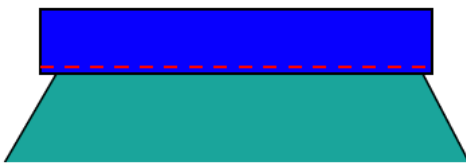
8. Fold the top long edge of your placket back towards the skirt seam 1" and press.



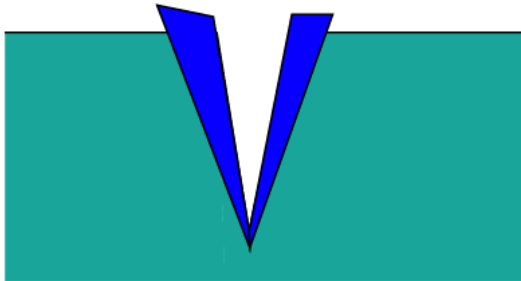
9. Fold the placket again so that you are now covering the skirt seam and press well.



10. Edge stitch right along the folded edge, catching the internal skirt seam.



11. Push the two sides of the skirt together. This will make the skirt placket sit above the skirt.

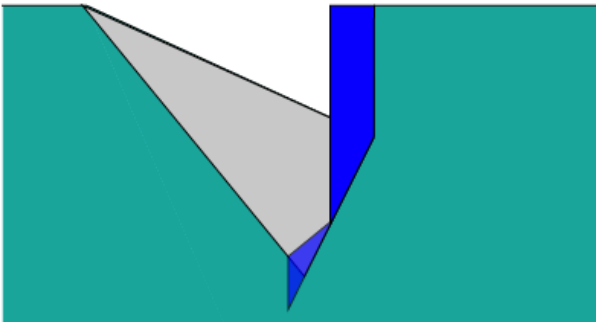




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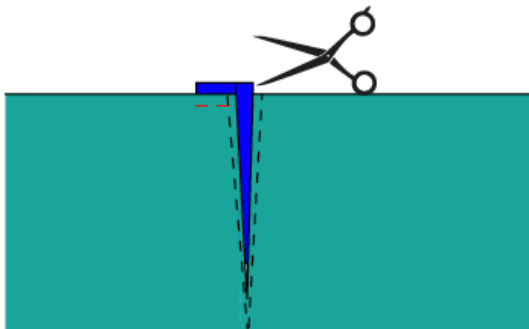
12. Fold the RIGHT side (as you are looking at your skirt right side up) down to lay flat.



13. Fold the LEFT side (as you are looking at your skirt right side up) back up to lay on top of your right side placket piece. Your original skirt body should line up and the placket be nearly invisible.

Trim any placket piece that extends above the skirt line. Press all along the placket line and where your little tuck in the V is to help it lay as flat as possible.

Run a small basting stitch on the LEFT side only (the side that folds against the skirt).



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