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STITCHED TEXTILE BADGES

Welcome and thank you for choosing my workshop!

We will be creating some decorative badges that pull a punch with a positive slogan or image. I'll demonstrate a variety of simple techniques to get you started. Within no time, you'll have a collection to cover a jacket or fabric bag.

Some materials we will need:

Scrap material, plain coloured preferably.
Bear in mind the following:

- It's not too stretchy
- Not too thick so you can't sew through it by hand

It could be thin denim from an old pair of jeans.

Coloured felt or plain white felt

dressmaker's pins

Plain ordinary **cotton thread** (the type you would mend with) try to match it with the colour of your beading/sequins if you would like to add these.

Embroidery floss (DMC) threads – The Works sell these really cheap, a pack of 10 for £3
It is quite thick, I will show you how to split the threads so they are thin.

OR

Perle 8 thread (I prefer this thread as it is thinner and high quality) £2.99 each + £3.99 delivery on Amazon.
<https://amzn.to/3gDrOWE>

If you're going to do a lot of decorative sewing, a collection of assorted colours is good value:
<https://amzn.to/3gHOaGl>

My favourite threads are from: Stef Francis <https://www.stef-francis.co.uk> There is a silk thread which is dip-dyed. When you sew, it changes colour.
£3.30 + delivery: <https://www.stef-francis.co.uk/product/fine-silk-47/>

Pencil/**Washable marker pen** £3.74 + free delivery: <https://amzn.to/2Zd2XmQ>
OR tailor's chalk: £3.60 for 4 pieces, free delivery: <https://amzn.to/3eaClHm>

Sharp **scissors**

Needle for general sewing. It needs to have quite a large eye for easy threading £1.25 + delivery, pack of 5: <https://bit.ly/3gJdrRF>

A needle for beading (optional) £1.35 + delivery Needles2pins.co.uk: <https://bit.ly/3gJLl86>
OR these £2.00: <https://bit.ly/2W0T35v>

Beads/buttons/sequins (optional) This is a great selection of buttons and beads for £2.05 + free delivery:
<https://amzn.to/2ZgZHXH>

You could also use beads from broken jewellery around the house or old clothing.

Sequins, The Range £1, <https://bit.ly/38R3PAR>

Glue stick: <https://www.hobbycraft.co.uk/pritt-stick-22g/570924-1000>

AND NOW, for some INSPIRATION!

I've prepared a collection of ideas, shapes and slogans
There are some actual art objects which you can copy the shapes to make your own 2D shapes.

Look at the images for ideas, but don't copy them, make your own!

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk/marioncheung/embroidered-slogan-badges/>

