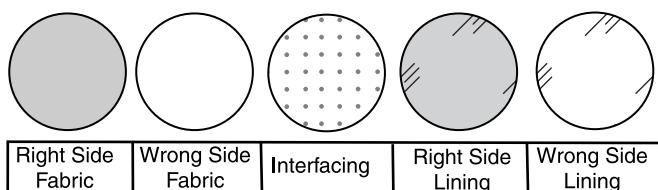




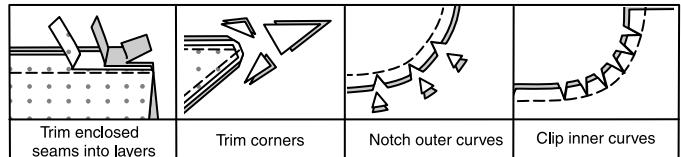
## SEWING INFORMATION

### FABRIC KEY



### SEAM ALLOWANCES

Use 5/8" (1.5cm) seam allowances unless otherwise indicated.



### PIN AND FIT

Pin or baste seams, **RIGHT SIDE TOGETHER**, matching notches. Fit garment before stitching major seams.

### PRESS

Press seam allowances flat; then open unless otherwise stated. Clip where necessary so they lie flat.

### GLOSSARY

Sewing methods in **BOLD TYPE** have Sewing Tutorial Video available. Scan QR CODE to watch videos:

**GATHER** – See Gathering: "sewing two row gathers" video.

**EDGESEITCH** – See Machine Stitches: "how to sew an edgestitch" video.

**FINISH** - See Seams: "how to finish seam allowances" video.

**SLIPSTITCH** – See Hand Stitching: "how to slip stitch" video.

**TACK** – See Hand Stitching: "how to tack" video.

**TOPSTITCH** – See Machine Stitches: "how to topstitch" video.

**TRIM SEAM** – See Seams: "how to trim, clip and layer seams" video.

**UNDERSTITCH** – See Machine Stitches: "how to understitch" video.

### SEWING TUTORIALS



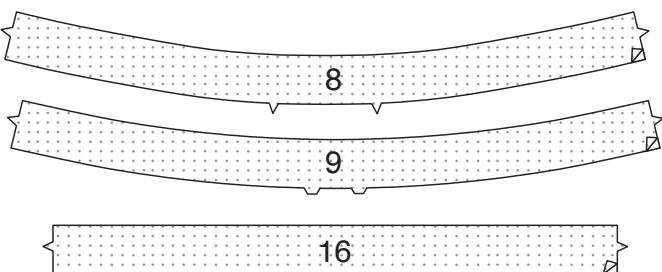
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## DRESS A, TOP B

**NOTE:** Under each sub-heading, View A will be shown unless otherwise indicated.

### INTERFACING

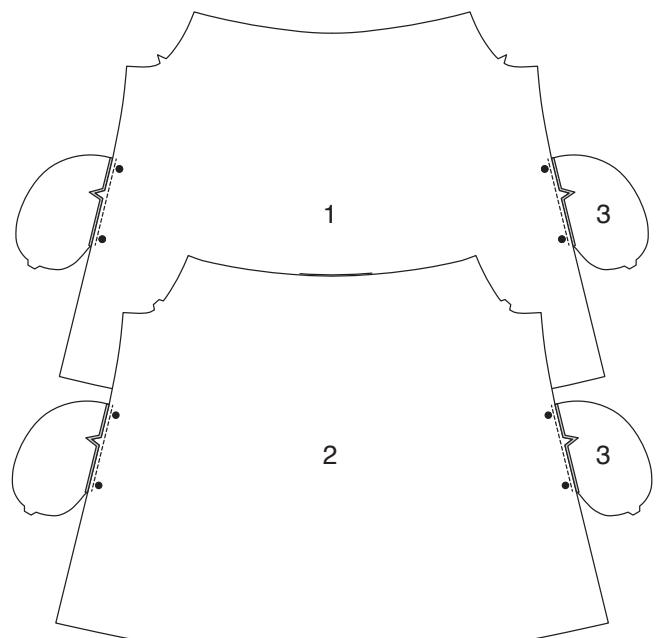
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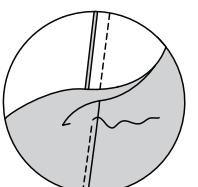
### FRONT AND BACK

**2. VIEW A-**

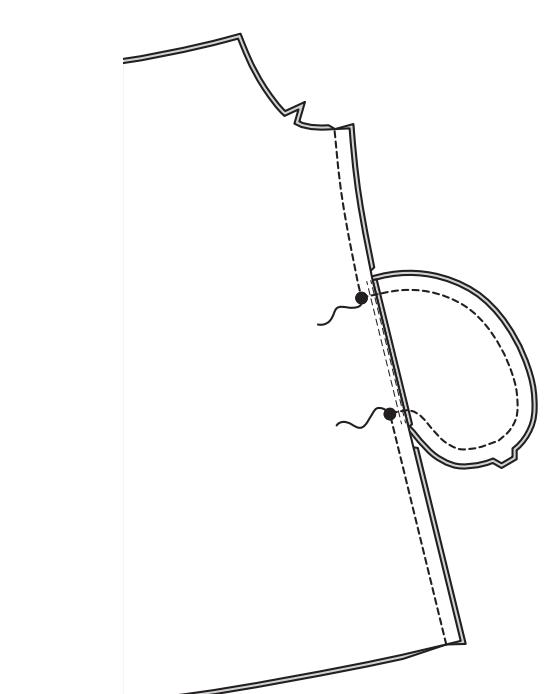
Stitch one **POCKET** (3) section to **FRONT** (1) and **BACK** (2) at each side in a 1/4"(6mm) seam. Press seams toward pockets.



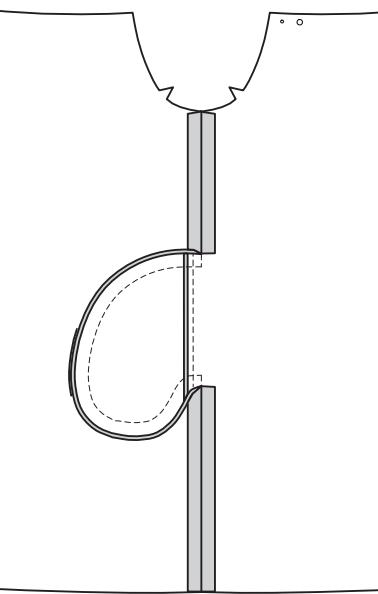
**3. UNDERSTITCH front pocket.**



**4.** Stitch front and back together at sides, leaving open between large dots. Stitch pocket edges together to side seams. Clip back seam allowances above and below pockets.

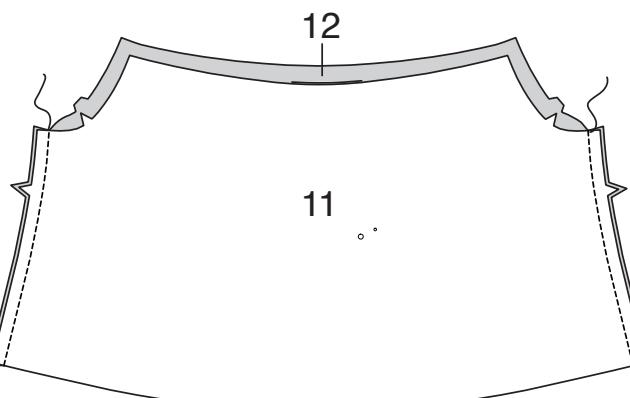


**5.** Turn pockets toward front along seamlines; press.



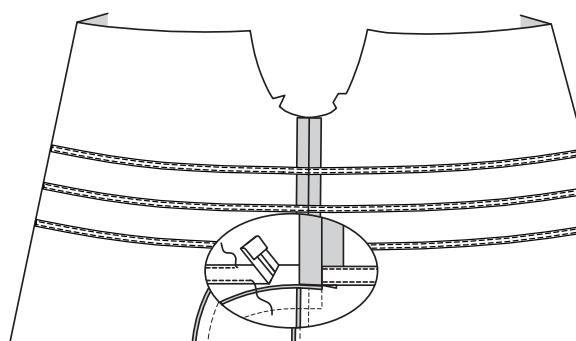
**6. VIEW B-**

With **RIGHT** sides together, stitch **FRONT** (11) to **BACK** (12) together at sides.



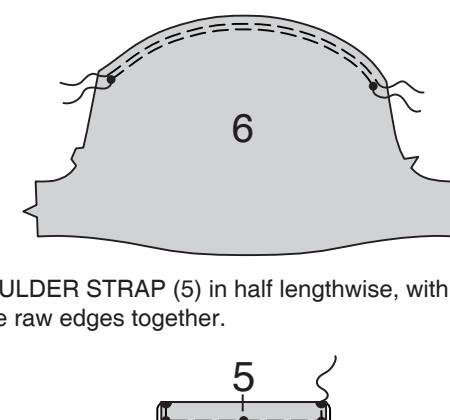
**7. VIEW A, B-**

Cut three pieces of bias tape the length of placement lines plus 1/2" (1.3cm). To form casings, on **INSIDE**, pin upper folded edge of bias tape to garment along placement line. Turn under 1/4"(6mm) on ends of tape so that they meet at ONE side seam. Stitch close to long edges of tape.

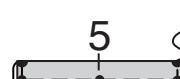


### SLEEVE

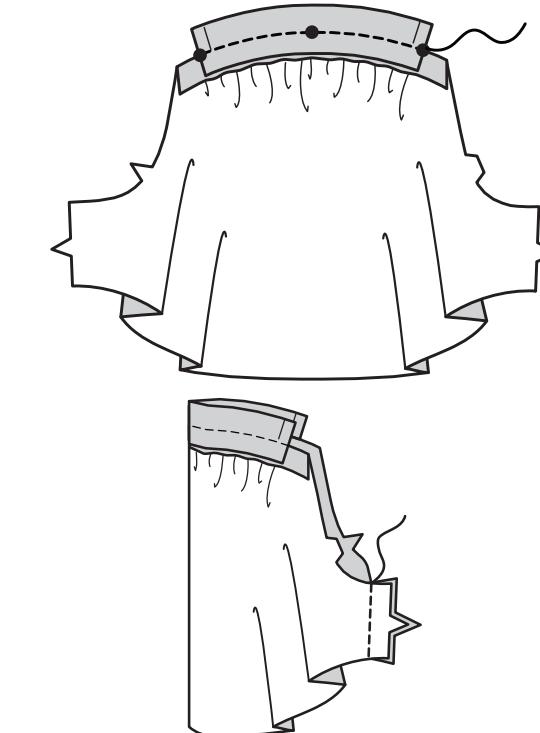
**8. GATHER** upper edge of **SLEEVE** (6) between outer small dots.



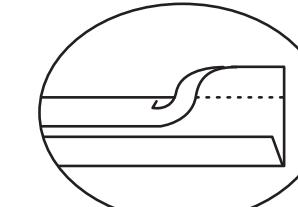
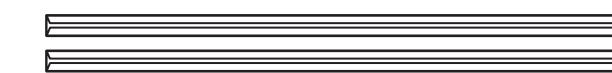
**9.** Fold **SHOULDER STRAP** (5) in half lengthwise, with **WRONG** sides together. Baste raw edges together.



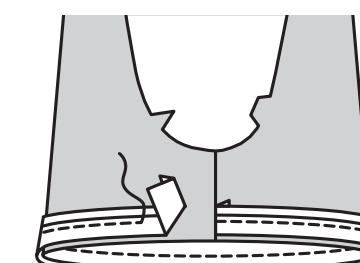
**10.** With **RIGHT** sides together, pin shoulder strap to upper edge of sleeve matching small dots. Adjust gathers to fit. Baste. Stitch. Press seam toward sleeve. Stitch sleeve seam.



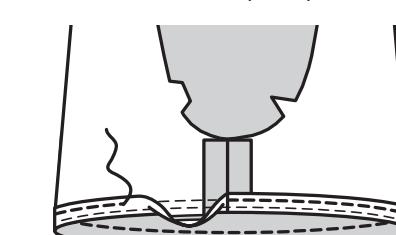
**11.** To form casings, Cut two pieces of bias tape the length of lower edge of sleeve, plus 1/2" (1.3cm). Open out one edge of tape.



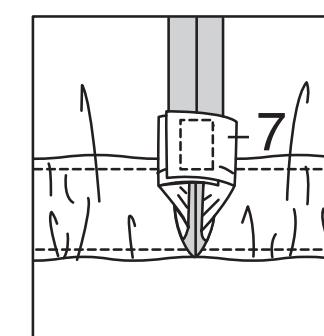
**12.** On **OUTSIDE**, pin tape to lower edge of sleeve having raw edges even. Turn under 1/4"(6mm) on ends of tape so that they meet at underarm seam. Stitch in a 3/8"(1cm) seam. **TRIM SEAM**.



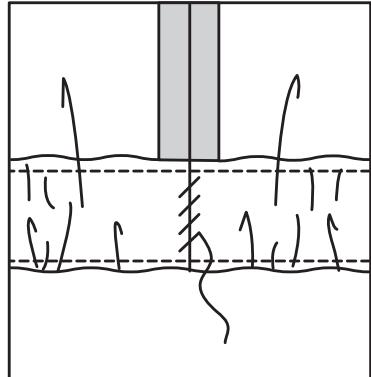
**13.** Press tape out, pressing seam toward tape. **UNDERSTITCH** tape. Turn tape to **INSIDE**. **EDGESTITCH** tape in place, forming casing.



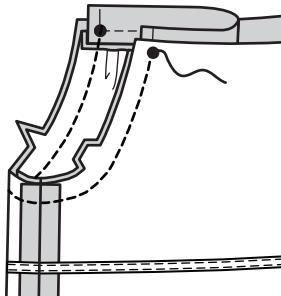
**14.** Cut two pieces of 3/8" (1cm) elastic the length of **ELASTIC GUIDE FOR SLEEVE** (7). Insert end of elastic through opening in casing having seam allowances even. Stitch ends of elastic along seam allowance.



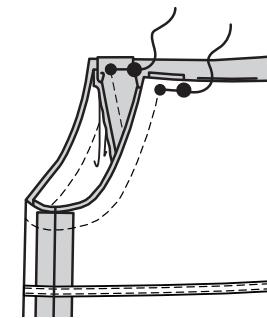
**15. SLIPSTITCH** opening closed in casing. Distribute fullness evenly.  
**TIP** - To secure elastic so it won't twist in wearing, stitch through all thicknesses of casing in the groove of seam.



**16.** With RIGHT sides together, pin sleeve to armhole edge matching small dots. Stitch, ending at small dots.

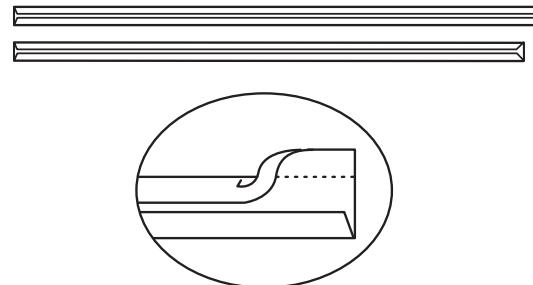


**17.** Rotate upper edge of sleeve matching large dots on front and back, as shown. Baste shoulder strap in place between small and large dots.

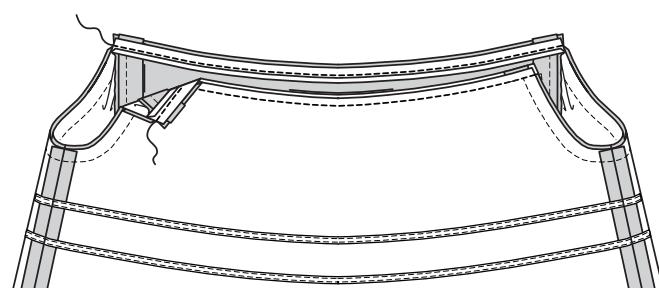


#### FRONT AND BACK CASINGS

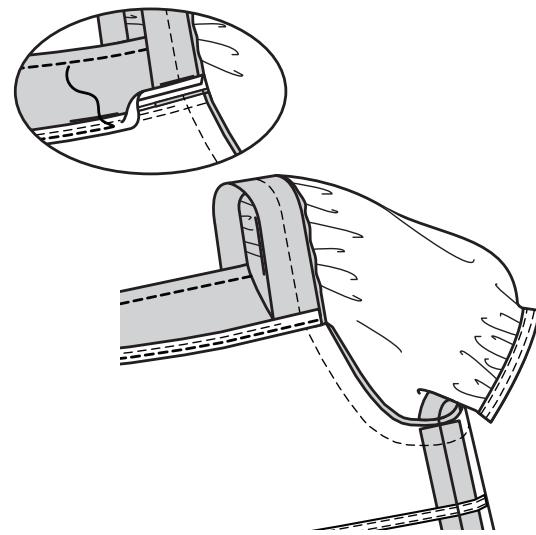
**18.** Cut one piece of bias tape the length of front neck edge and one piece the length of back neck edge. Open out one edge of tape.



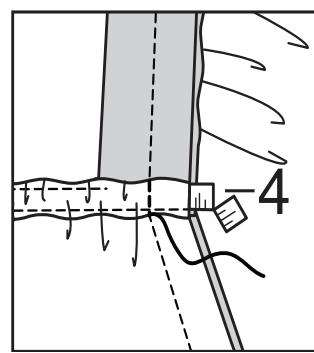
**19.** On OUTSIDE, pin tape to neck edge having raw edges even. Stitch in a  $3/8"$ (1cm). **TRIM SEAM**.



**20.** Press tape out, pressing seam toward tape. **UNDERSTITCH** tape. Turn tape to INSIDE. Press. **EDGESEITCH** lower edge of tape in place, forming casing.

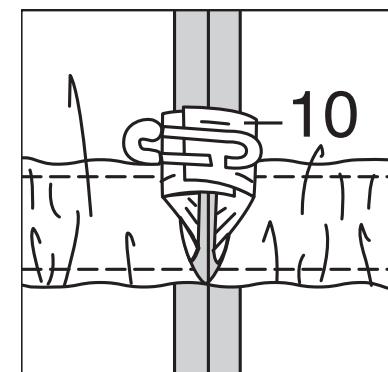


**21.** Cut two pieces of elastic the length of **ELASTIC GUIDE FOR NECK** (4). Insert end of elastic through opening in casing having seam allowances even. Stitch ends of elastic along seam allowance. Pull ends of elastic out and trim close to stitching.

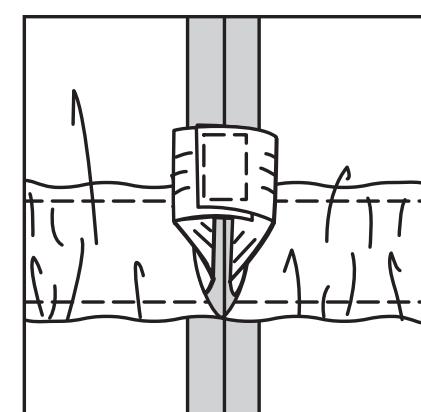


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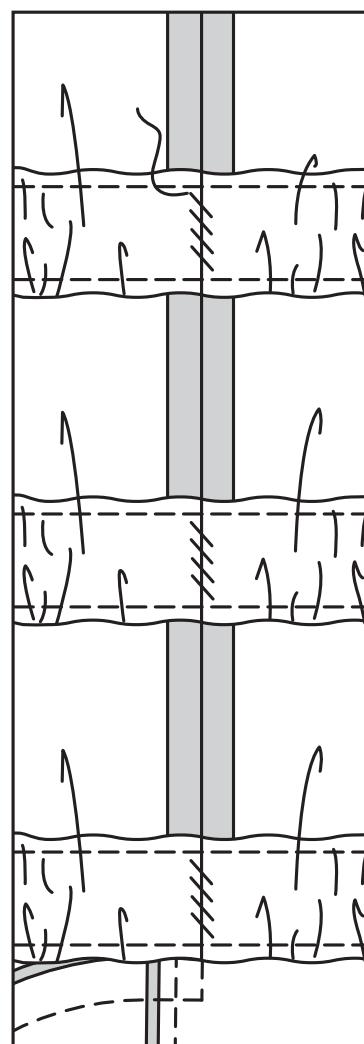
**22.** Cut three pieces of elastic the length of **GUIDE FOR ELASTIC** (10). Insert elastic through openings in front and back casings. Overlap ends and hold with a safety pin. Try on garment and adjust to fit if necessary.



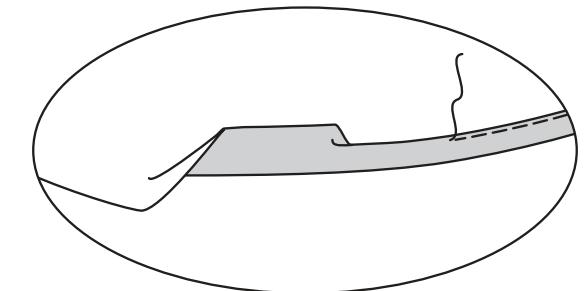
**23.** Stitch ends of elastic together securely.



**24. SLIPSTITCH** opening closed in casing. Distribute fullness evenly. **TIP** - To secure elastic so it won't twist in wearing, stitch through all thicknesses of casing in the groove of each seam.



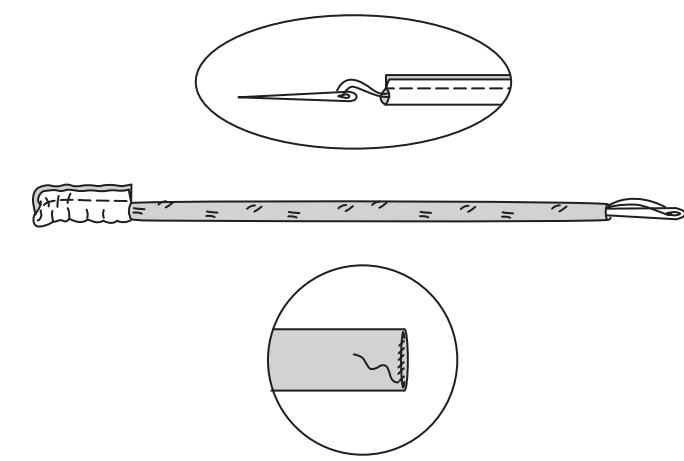
**28. VIEW B-** Make a  $5/8"$ (1.5cm) narrow hem at lower edge of garment.



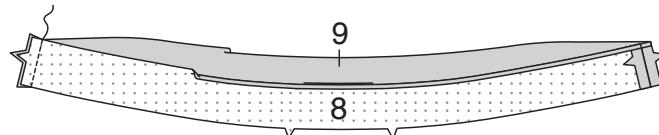
**29.** Fold **TIE END** (13) in half, lengthwise, with **RIGHT** sides together. Stitch a scant  $1/4"$  (6mm) from fold edge, stretching strap while stitching.

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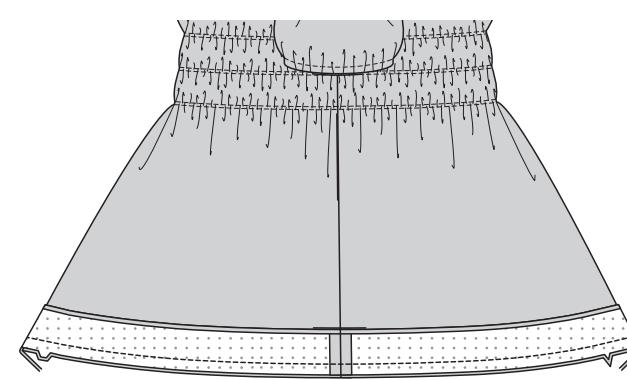
**30.** With a needle, attach a strong thread to one end of strap. Draw needle eye forward, through fold, turning strap **RIGHT** side out. **SLIPSTITCH** ends of tie closed.



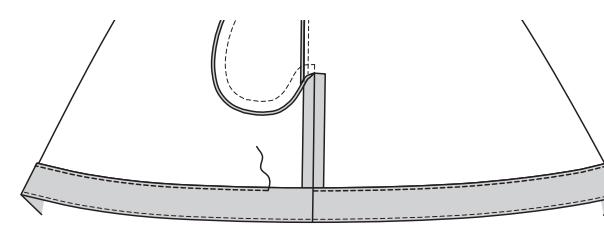
**25. VIEW A-** With **RIGHT** sides together, stitch ends of **FRONT HEM FACING** (8) and **BACK HEM FACING** (9) at sides. Press under  $1/4"$ (6mm) on unnotched edge of facing.



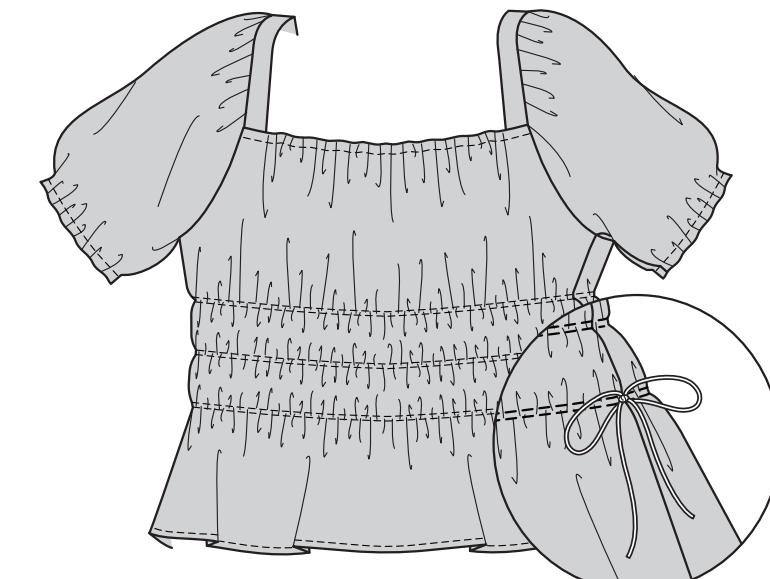
**26.** On **OUTSIDE**, pin facing to lower edge of dress matching notches. Stitch. **TRIM SEAM**.

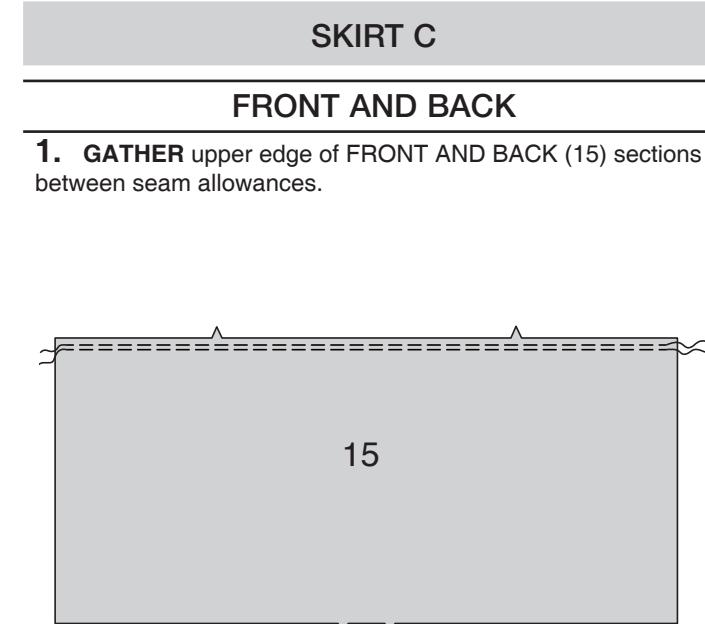


**27. UNDERSTITCH** facing. Turn facing to **INSIDE**, press. **EDGESEITCH** pressed edge of facing.

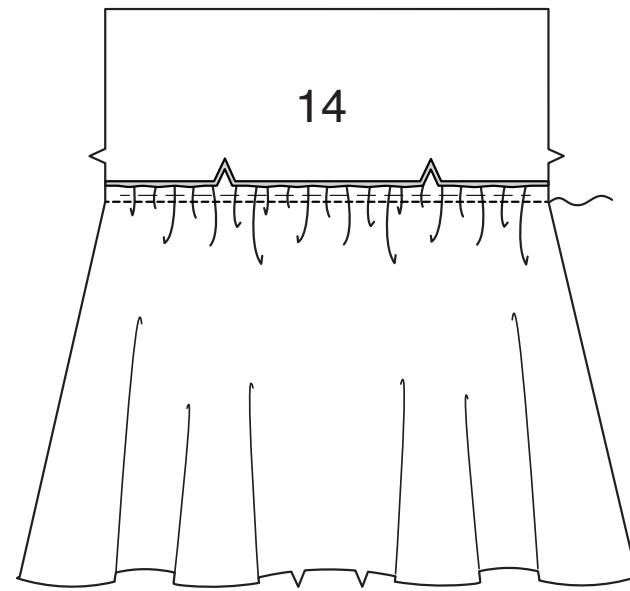


**31.** Make tie end into a bow. On **OUTSIDE**, **TACK** bow to **LEFT** side of top as shown on front of envelope.

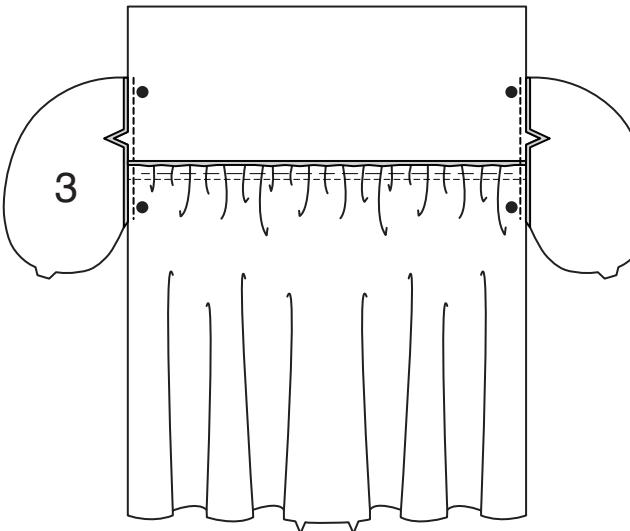




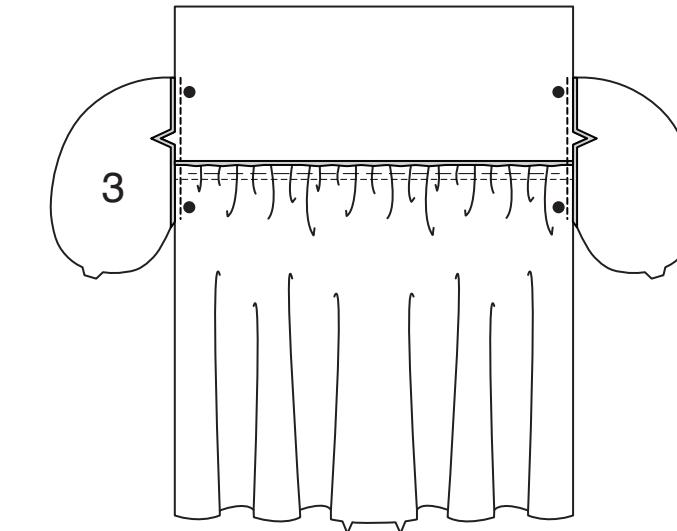
**1.** GATHER upper edge of FRONT AND BACK (15) sections between seam allowances.



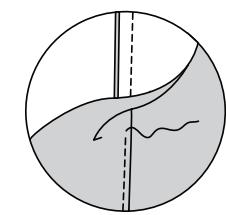
**2.** With RIGHT sides together, pin each front and back section to lower edge of one YOKE FRONT AND BACK (14). Adjust gathers to fit. Baste. Stitch. Press seam up.



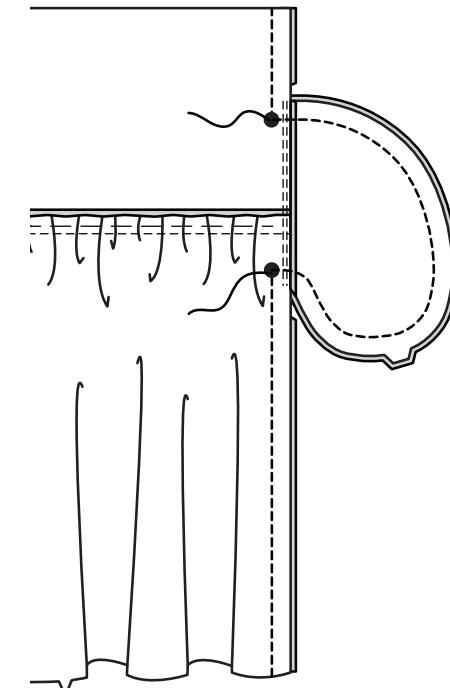
**3.** Stitch one POCKET (3) section to front and back at each side in a  $1/4"$ (6mm) seam. Press seams toward pockets.



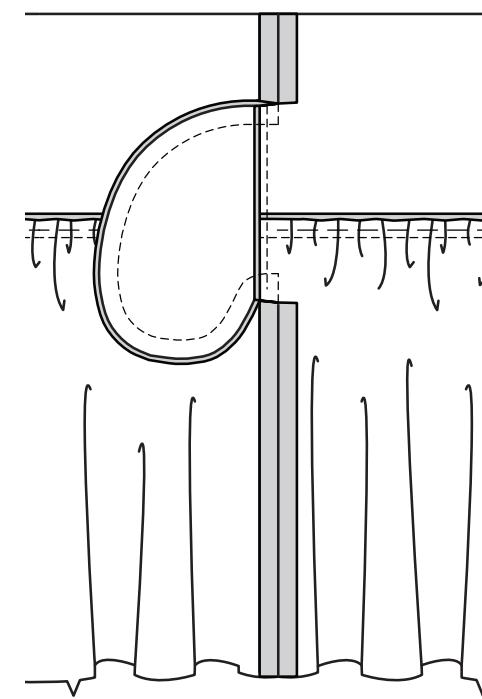
**4.** UNDERSTITCH front pocket.



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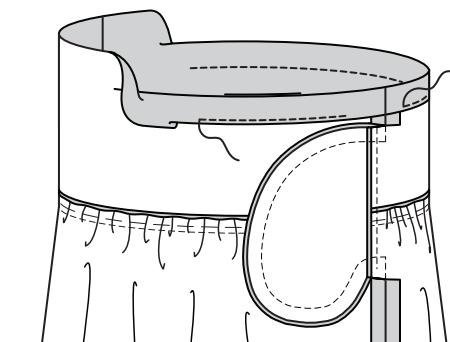


**6.** Turn pockets toward front along seamlines; press.

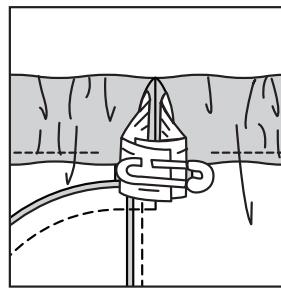


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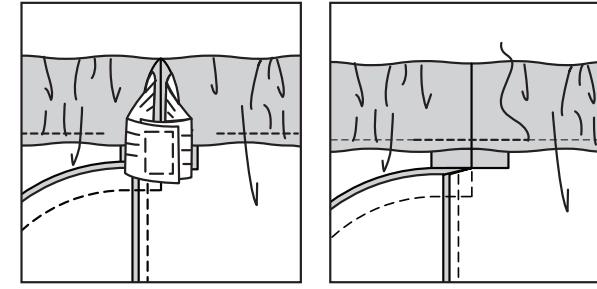
**7.** Press  $1-1/2"$  (3.8cm) on upper edge to INSIDE, forming casing. Press under  $1/4"$  (6mm) on raw edge. Stitch close to lower edge of casing, leaving an opening to insert elastic.



**8.** Cut a piece of elastic to fit waist, plus  $1"$  (2.5cm). Insert elastic through casing. Overlap ends and hold with a safety pin. Try on garment and adjust to fit.



**9.** Stitch ends of elastic together securely. Stitch opening closed. Distribute fullness evenly. Remove basting.  
**TIP**-To secure elastic so it won't twist in wearing, stitch through all thicknesses of casing in the groove of each seam.

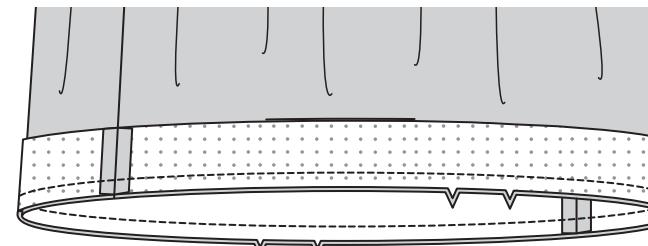


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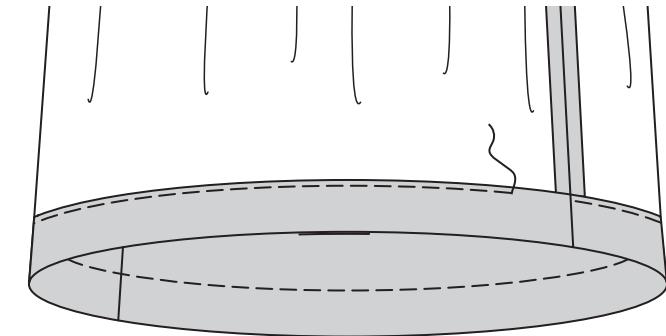
**10.** With RIGHT sides together, stitch HEM FACING (16) sections together at sides. **FINISH** unnotched edge of facing.



**11.** With RIGHT sides together, pin facing to lower edge of skirt, matching notches. Stitch. **TRIM SEAM**.



**12.** Turn facing to INSIDE, press. Baste  $1/4"$ (6mm) from finished edge of facing.



**13.** On OUTSIDE, **TOPSTITCH** as basted.

