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Name: How to make a stuff bag.

Description:

Ever wonder how to make a stuff bag that will not fray or come apart?



I spent about three weeks trying different things to make a bag that would not fray apart at the seams. The finished size of this stuff bag is about 9 inches by 13 inches. The trick to making a fray proof bag is how the top edge is sewn in order to make all the edges clean for where the drawstring goes through. Make sure you press all the folded seams very well with a iron.

Sewing terms:

right side	refers to good side of material you would see in the finished product. I look at it as the outside of the bag.
wrong side	refers to the other side of the material you won't see. I look at it as the inside of the bag.
seam allowances	refers to how close you are sewing to the edge of your material. All seam allowances are 1/4 inch.

Shopping List

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1	18 by 20 inch piece of nylon.
1	cord lock.
1	cord to be used as a drawstring.

Material preparation/placement:

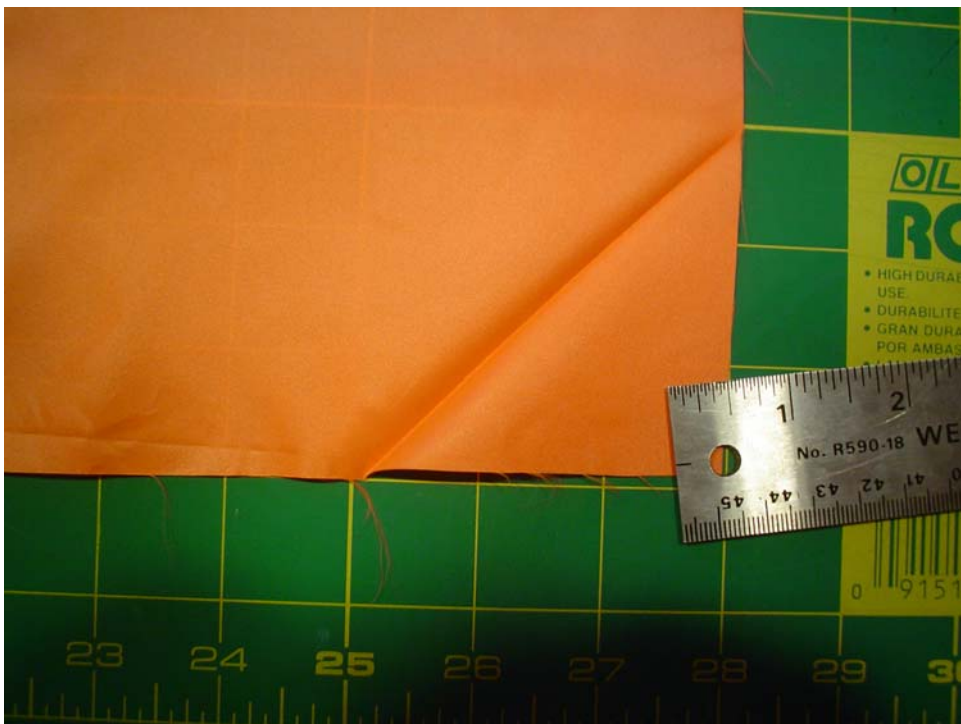
Place the material down so the longer edge is facing you. The edge that is closest to you at the bottom of the picture will become the top edge of the bag. The edge at the top of the picture will become the bottom edge of the bag.



Step 1. Measure in 3 inches from each edge of the right hand corner and fold it in. Press seam well.



This is a close up showing the 3 inch fold open showing a 45 degree line.



Step 2. Fold the right side of the open fold to the 45 degree line from the previous step. Press seam well.



This is a close up showing the two folds that have been created so far.



Step 3. Fold the bottom of the open fold to the 45 degree line from step 2. Press seam well.



This is a close up showing the open fold from step 2.



This is a close up showing the completed fold for steps 1 through 3.



Complete steps 1 through 3 on the left hand bottom corner of the material.



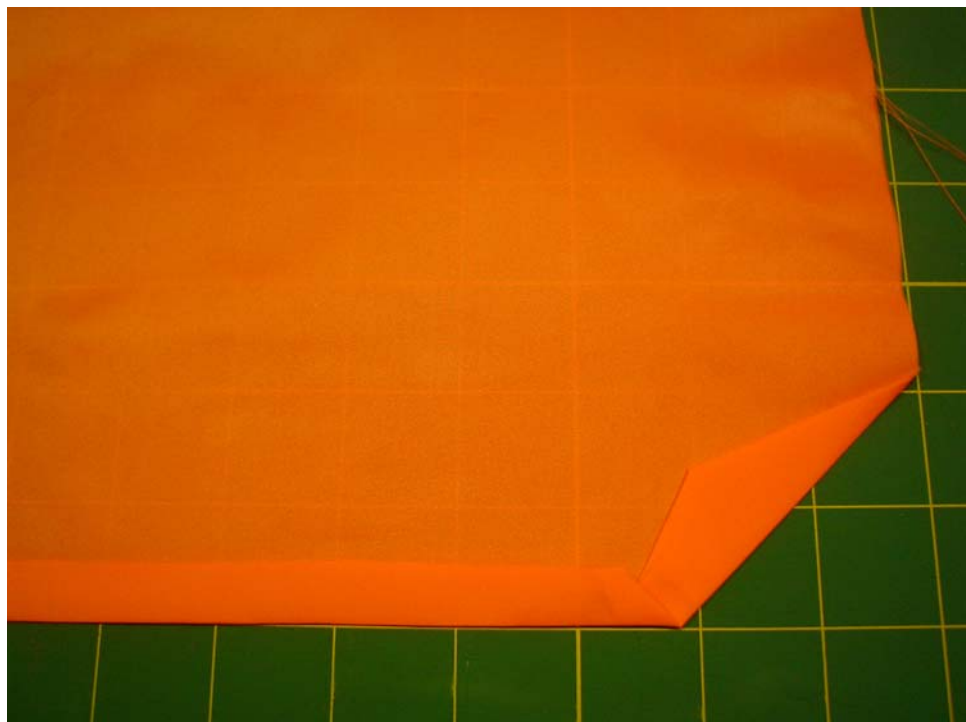
Step 4. Fold bottom edge of material $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch and press well.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 4.



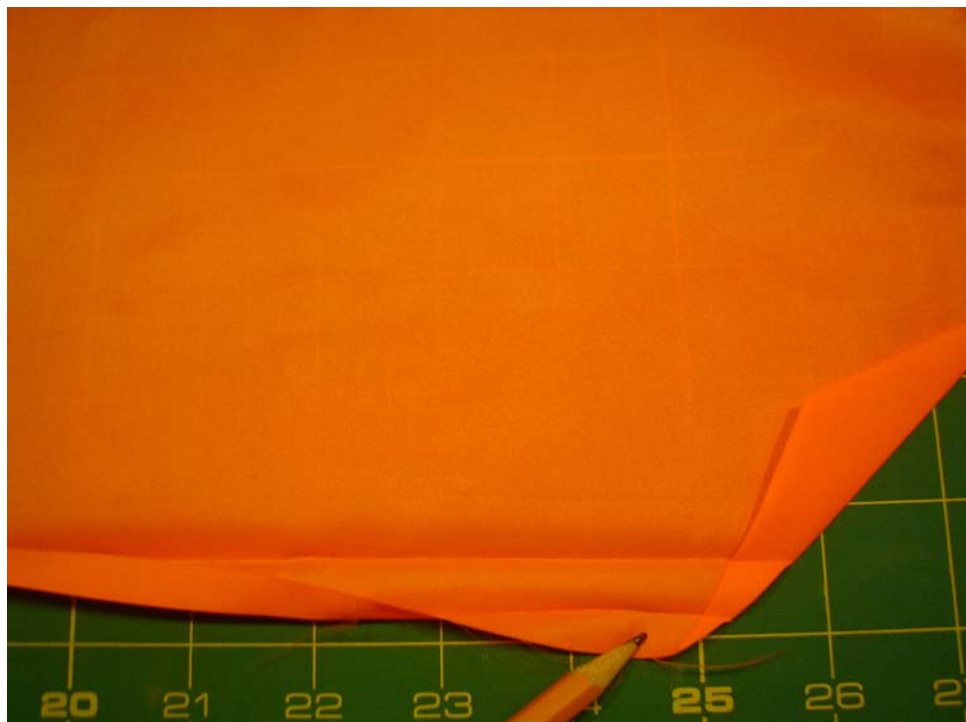
Step 5. Fold the bottom edge of material another $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch and press well.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 5.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 4 and 5.



This is a close up showing the entire fold from step 4 and 5.



Step 6. Begin sewing about 1/8 an inch along fold line down along the entire fold line created from step 1 through 5.



This is a close up showing the stitched line on the fold from step 1 through 5.



Step 7. Fold the right sides of the material together and pin along the bottom edge of the material. Press well.



Step 8. Rotate the material 180 degrees. The pinned edge will be at the top farthest away from you.



Step 9. Fold bottom edge of material $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch and press well.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 9.



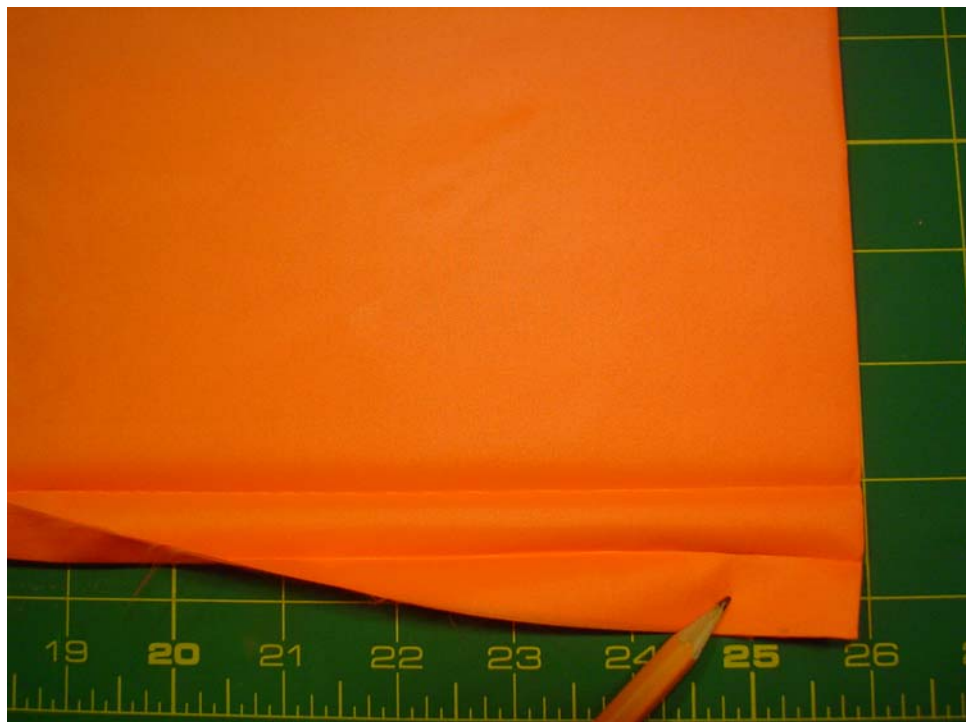
Step 10. Fold the bottom edge of material another $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch and press well.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 10.



This is a close up showing the both folds fold from step 9 and 10.



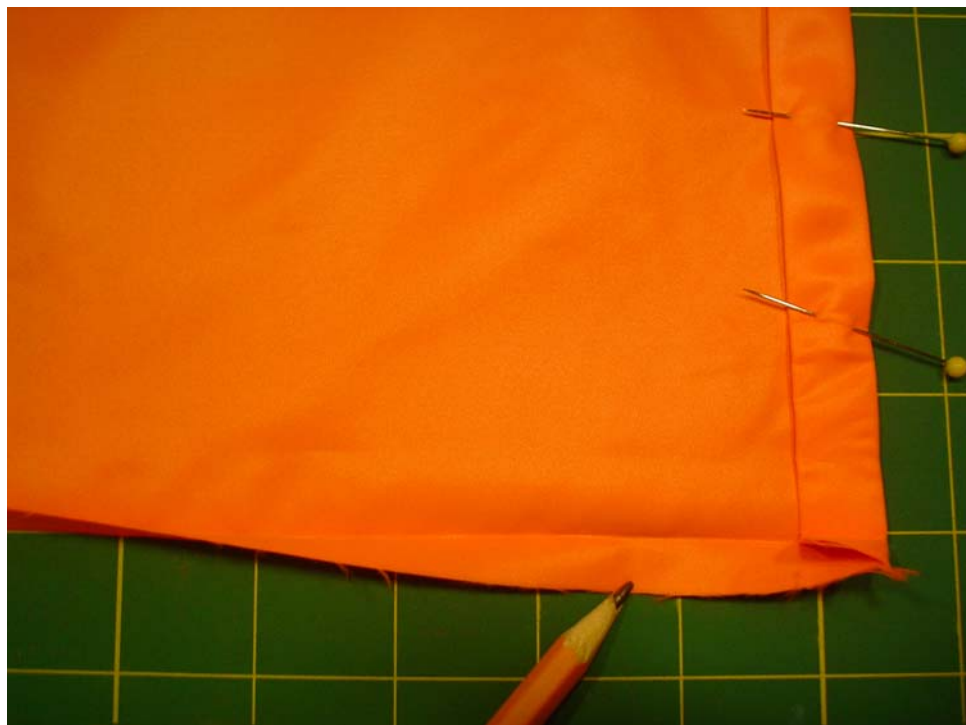
Pin along the folded edge created by steps 9 and 10.



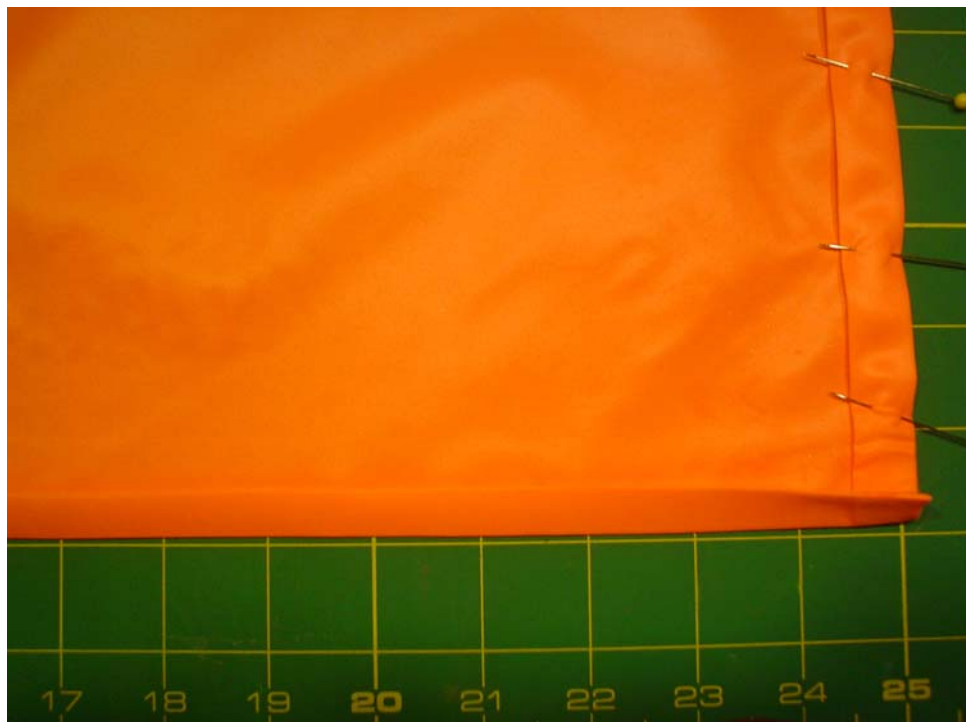
Step 11. Rotate the material counter clockwise 90 degrees. Fold bottom edge of material $\frac{1}{4}$ of inch and press well.



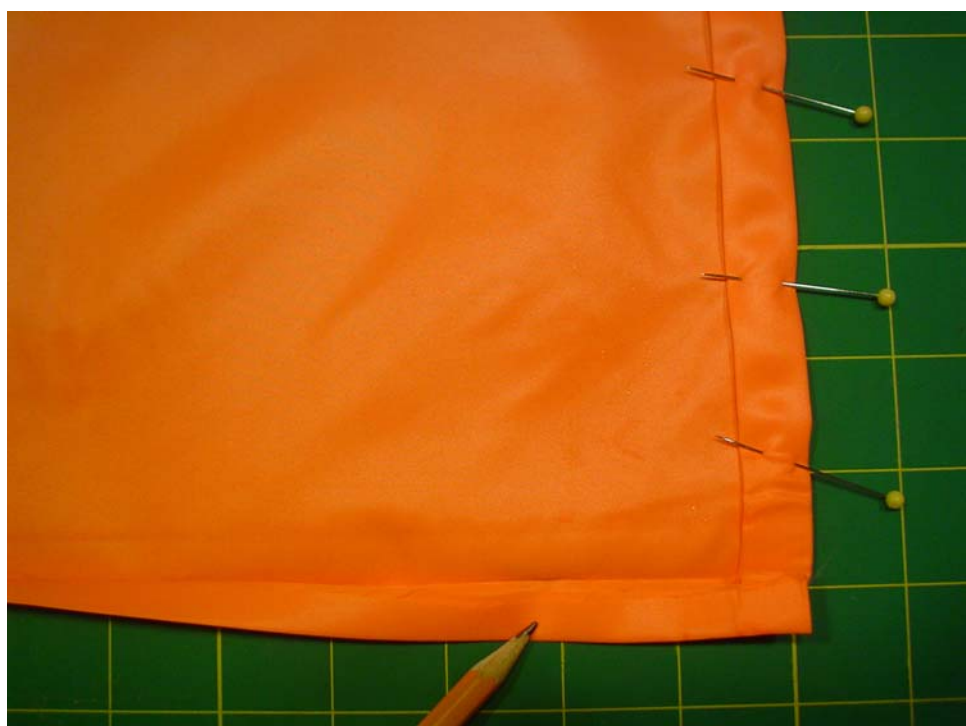
This is a close up showing the fold from step 11.



Step 12. Fold the bottom edge of material another $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch and press well.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 12.



This is a close up showing the both folds fold from step 11 and 12.



Pin along the folded edge created by steps 11 and 12.



This shows the completed pinned material. The edge on the left side of the picture will become the top of the bag. The bottom edge of the picture will become the side edge of the bag. The edge on the right side of the picture will become the bottom of the bag.



Step 13. Begin sewing about 1/8 of an inch along fold line down the right and bottom edge of the pinned material shown in the picture. This will complete the stitching for the bottom and side edge of the bag.



This is a close up showing the stitched line from step 13.



Step 14. Rotate the material counter clockwise 90 degrees. Fold bottom edge of material $\frac{1}{2}$ of an inch and press well.



This is a close up showing the fold from step 14.



Step 15. Begin sewing about 1/8 of an inch along fold line created in step 14.



Step 16. Install drawstring cord and cord lock.



Step 17. Turn the bag right side out.



Your done 😊