

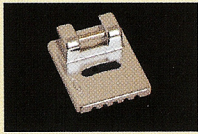
shirring

Three or more rows of gathering stitches running parallel to each other to provide fullness in a garment.

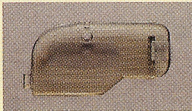
1. Thread the topstitching thread through the hole on the bobbin cover and up through the slot. Snap on the pintuck foot and insert the twin needle. Thread your sewing machine according to the directions. Sew the first row. Insert the quilting bar and place it on the previous row of stitching. Stitch the remaining rows. (#1)



1. Secure the topstitching threads at one end and gently pull the thread from the other end shirring the fabric. Secure the other end once you have achieved the look you desire. (#2)



**Pintuck Foot
and**



**Cord Guide
Bobbin Cover**

Stitch: *Straight*

Width: *Pre-set*

Length: *Pre-set*

Tension: *Pre-set*

Fabric, needles, notions required:

Fabrics of choice; twin needle, size 2.5/80; rayon or cotton embroidery thread for needle and bobbin; cord for bobbin; topstitching thread; iron-on interfacing

TIP

When shirring fabric, the result should be soft gathers in your fabric. Therefore, the gathering cord used when pintucking should be a lighter-weight thread than used for traditional pintucks. Topstitching or buttonhole twist thread are good choices for this technique.