

**This will change your life.
Instructions brought to you by Travis Halsey and Carole Klinko.**



1 - Mark your hooks and bars on the center back line. (fashion side)



2 - Make 2 bar-tacks over an awl 1/4" to 3/8" apart slightly to the outside of your center back line. A bar-tack is a large stitch width and zero stitch length. If you have a free motion embroidery foot that works great to line up the tacks. You can also do this with no machine foot at all. Just remember to still lower your presser foot otherwise there will be no tension on your upper thread.



3 - Insert hook backwards and upside down through the 2 bar tacks.



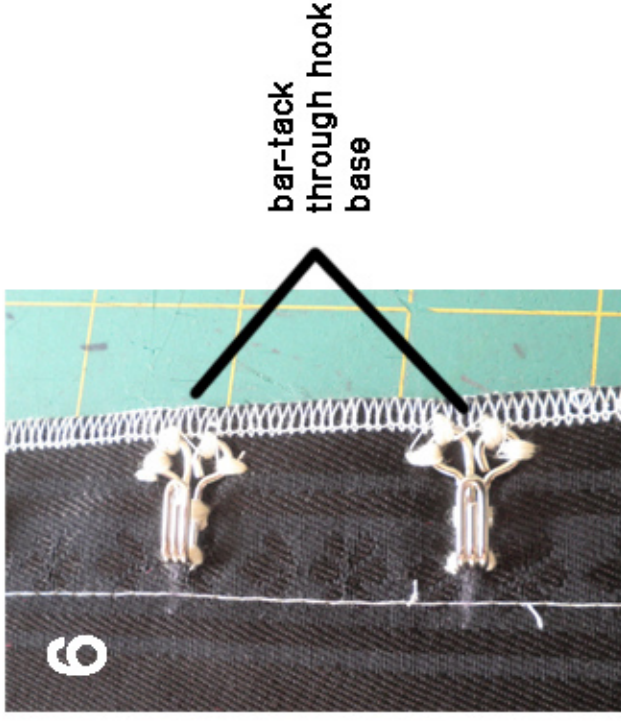
4 - Flip the hook over.

*Attaching hooks
and bars using a
sewing machine.*

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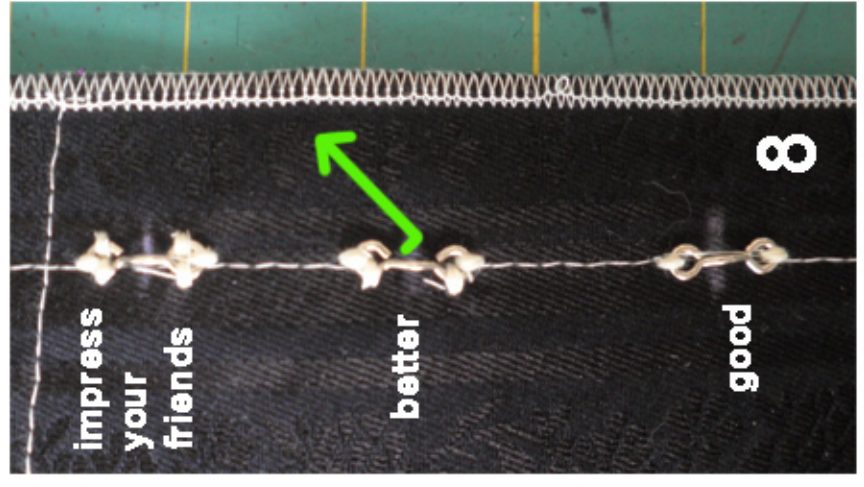
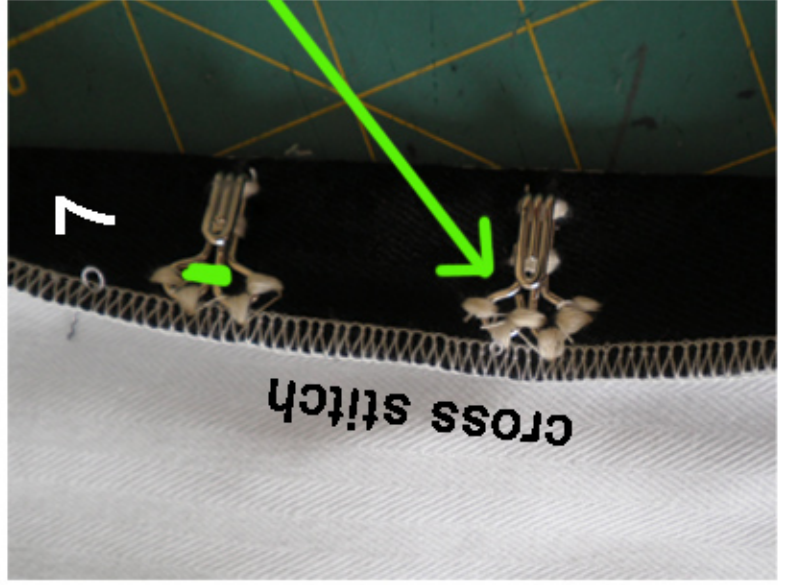


5 - Insert hooks leaving off top and bottom hook. They will go on after you've finished the top and bottom edges of your bodice.



6 - Using a slightly smaller bar-tack secure the base of your hooks.

7 - Fold your overlap back. Put one last bar-tack across center of hook base going through all layers. Cross stitch the free side of the fold-back down.



8 - Bar-tack on bars. Notice that there is an opening in the bar. The opening should go to the open end of the bodice back.

