

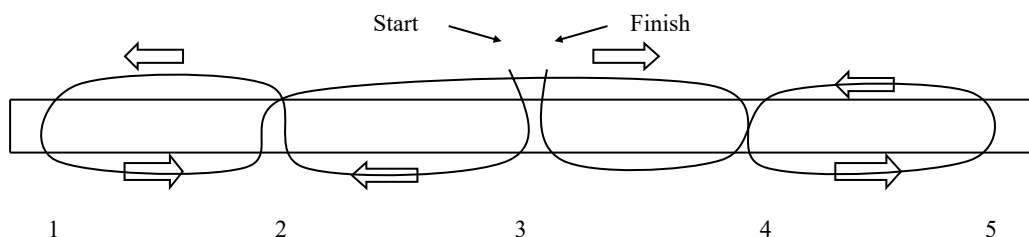
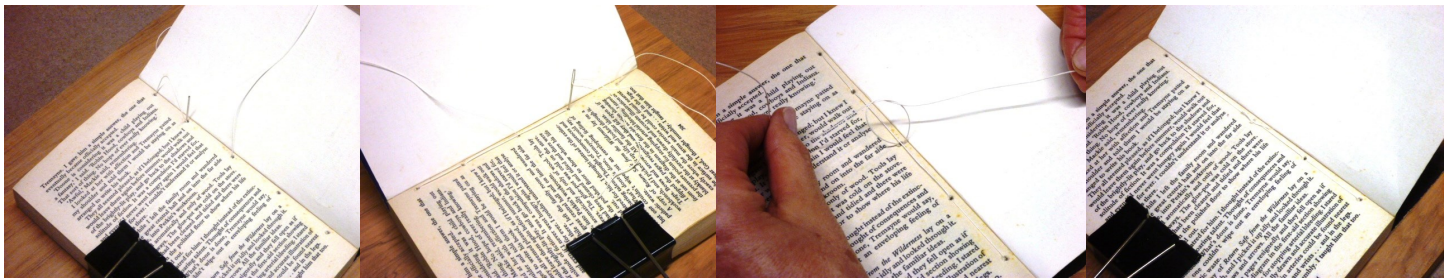
Book Repair Spine repair by Drill and Stitch

You will need: battery drill, 2mm bit, bulldog clip, binders thread (linen), needle (haberdashery), hinge tape, block of wood.

Position any loose leaves or sections of text in line with rest of the text and cover. Clamp the text with bulldog clip and fold the front and back covers back. Drill the number of required holes through the text or outer cover and text. Always drill an odd number, 5, 7, Drill into a piece of wood to ensure that you have drilled completely through the book.



With the binders thread and needle, start at the middle hole on the back page or back cover, and pass through the holes to the left in a 'figure of eight' fashion - then cross the centre hole - and repeat through the holes to the right and finish by coming up through the centre hole. Tie the knot over the top of the thread (passing from 2 to 4) as this will tighten the bind.



Cover the thread with either hinge or spine tape to ensure the knot can not be tampered with.

The same process can be used for large picture books, journals, or magazines that are stapled in the centre. With A4 size books or magazines, it would be recommended that either 9 or 11 holes be drilled.

