

# Make a draught stopper

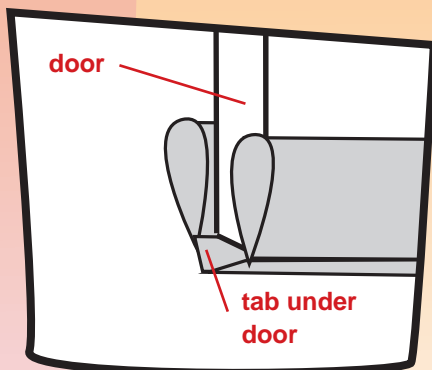
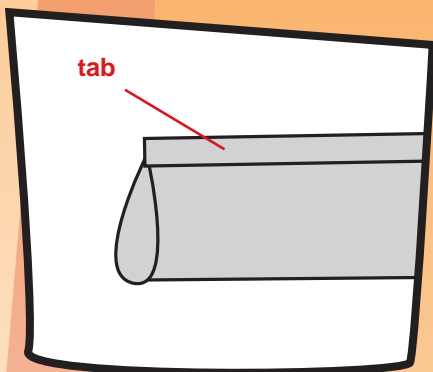
## You will need:

- Fabric (twice as wide as your door – for each side)
- Measuring tape
- Scissors
- Thread
- Needle and thread
- Pins
- Sewing machine
- A funnel to add the stuffing
- Something to stuff the draught stopper – dried beans, gravel stones, rice, scrunched up plastic bags... Use what you have around!

**Remember: found objects are best.**

## Instructions

1. Use the measuring tape to measure the width of your door. This is the length of fabric you will need. You can use any kind of fabric – try something you have leftover. Even some old pants could work well. The fabric needs to be approximately 150mm wide also.
2. Fold the material in half lengthwise with the wrong side of the fabric facing up.
3. Sew the long edge and one of the short ends together and turn inside out.
4. Fold the top (unsewn) edge of the fabric over about 15cm towards the middle of the fabric and pin in place.
5. Use the sewing machine to sew this pinned seam. This is the tab that attaches to the door.
6. You can now stuff the tube – use your hands or the funnel to help. Remember to make it quite full so it blocks the draft effectively. If you are using something like rice or dried beans you might like to put it in plastic bags before adding to the tube so it doesn't fall out the sewn seams.
7. When the tube is as full as you would like, sew the final two edges together. Ta-da! You have made one tube!
8. Repeat steps 1-7 to make another tube for the other side of the door.
9. When you have your two identical tubes, lay one on top of the other and pin the two tabs together.
10. Sew along this pinned part to join the tubes.
11. To use - slide the sewn tab under the door so the filled tubes are on either side of the door. When you push the door it should push the tubes along the floor rather than rolling over.



**Congrats! You're finished! Good work.**

