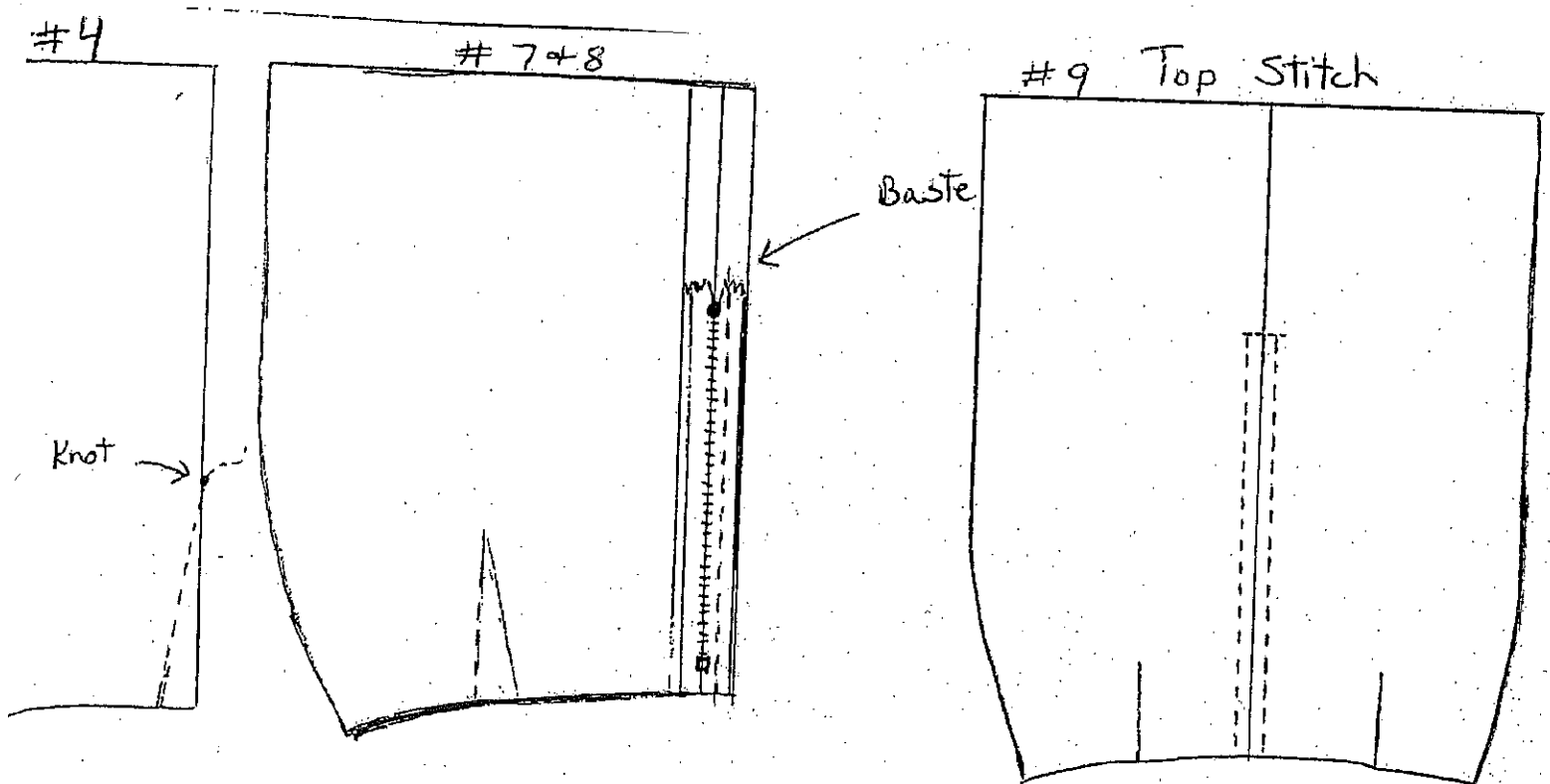


Level 3 Darts & Centered Zipper

Materials Needed: 7" zipper, fabric

1. Choose Fabric.
2. Layout pattern and cut
3. Mark circles
4. Matching circles, sew darts from the top of the skirt (remember to backstitch) down and run off of fabric. Tie an over hand knot in remaining thread and clip threads to $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press towards the center of skirt.
5. With right sides together, sew a $\frac{5}{8}$ " seam from the lower edge of skirt to the large circle. Change to a basting stitch and continue sewing from the large circle to the top edge of the fabric. Clip seam allowance to circle.
6. Finish seam below the circle and press entire length of back seam open.
7. Working on the inside of the skirt, put the right sides together as was done when sewing the back seam. With one seam allowance free of the skirt piece, place the closed zipper, face down. Match the zipper stop with the large circle. Using a basting stitch and a zipper foot if necessary, baste the zipper and seam allowance in a straight line from the large circle to the top edge of the skirt.
8. Repeat step #7 for the opposite seam allowance.
9. Turn the skirt to the right side and, change to a regular stitch length, and stitch the zipper into place starting at the lower edge, take two or three stitches across the bottom of the zipper, pivot and stitch to the top. (Do one side and then the other.)
10. Press and remove center seam basting threads.



Skirt Back
Cut 2

Grain line

clip

