



Weaving is a way to make fabric. A way of doing or making something is called a technique.

Two separate yarns or threads are woven under and over each other to form a fabric or cloth. Those two threads are called warp and the weft.

The warp and weft cross over each other and this is called the weave.

The basic types of weave are plain weave, satin weave and twill which give different patterns and textures of fabrics for different uses.

A loom is a device used to weave cloth.

The shapes of the looms and the way they work may be different but they all make a fabric or finished piece. They can be made of lots of different things: cardboard, wood, plastic, willow.

Humans have known about weaving for thousands of years.

Weaving was known in all the great civilizations.

Early looms need one or two people to work on them. The Bible refers to looms and weaving in many places.

Loom



Tabby Weaving
Go over and under alternate warp threads.

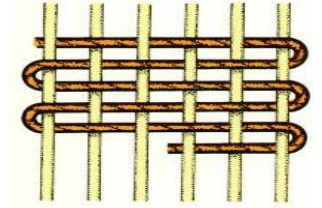
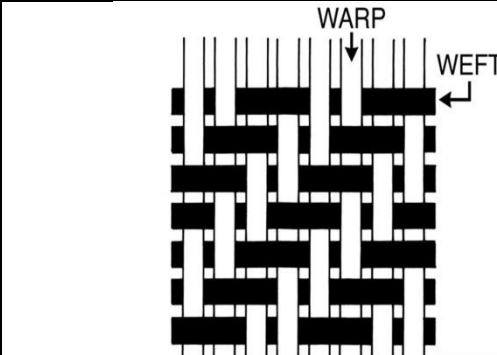


Fig. A Tabby Weaving



Yarn



Natural Materials



Found Materials



Fabric
Cloth material



Weaving can be done using lots of different types of materials on lots of different types of looms.