

From Fabric to School Bag

Phonics Reading Activity

A school bag is a useful everyday product that is carefully made from several different materials. First, factory workers choose strong **fabric** to ensure the **bag** is durable enough to handle heavy loads. They lay the material flat on wide tables and measure each section precisely before cutting it into various exact **shapes**.

Next, the workers take the cut pieces to the sewing area, where they shape and **make** them into finished bags. Strong thread and tight stitches are used to hold the sides securely together so the seams do not tear under stress. A smooth zip, sturdy **straps**, and several extra pockets are also attached to make the bag far more functional for pupils.

Finally, the workers inspect every finished product in a small **cabin** in the quality control department to make sure there are no loose threads. A well-made bag will last for a very long time, even when children carry heavy textbooks every single day. Once approved, the bag is packed and sent to stores, where it is ready for purchase by parents and pupils.

Task 2: Vowel Sound Identification

Identify whether the letter 'a' makes the long /eɪ/ sound (like in make) or the short /æ/ sound (like in cat). Write /eɪ/ or /æ/ in the blank.

- 1 Workers use strong **fabric** to sew bags. _____
- 2 They cut the material into exact **shapes**. _____
- 3 Once approved, the **bag** is packed and sent to stores, _____
- 4 The workers **make** them into finished bags. _____
- 5 The workers check the bag inside a small **cabin**. _____
- 6 A smooth zip, sturdy **straps**, and several extra pockets are also attached _____