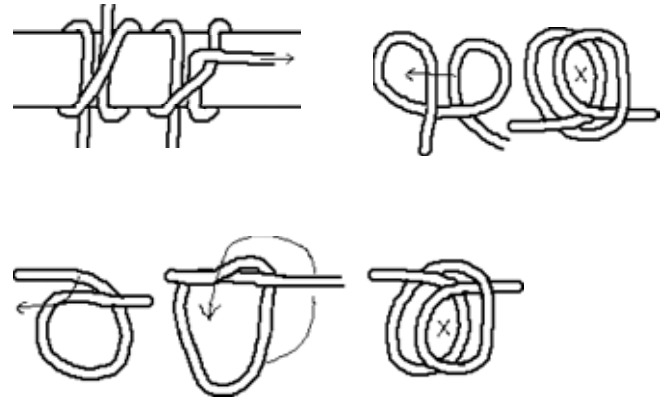


Try your hand at these knots!

The Clove Hitch

(Illustrations to right)



The Cow Hitch

This hitch is really useful for tying a cow to a pole so it can graze round it. Sailors use it to secure a lanyard to a shroud.



The Reef Knot or Square Knot



The reef-knot or square knot is useful in simple applications. Sailors used it for binding rolled sails or reefed sails. And that is where it got its English name. Americans call it the square knot. Its relatives are the granny and the thief-knot.