

Characteristics of woven and knitted fabrics

Read each statement and categorise correctly by placing a ✓ in the correct column.

Statement	Woven Fabric	Knitted Fabric
Usually produced with two sets of yarn		
Comfortable to wear		
Fabrics benefit from finishes		
Easier to work with particularly when machining		
A specialist stitch is needed when sewing pieces together		
Edges can curl when cut		
Can unravel and run		
Lower extensibility properties		
Lower recovery prope		
Usually produced with a single set of yarn		
Can be wind resistant		
Moulds to fit the body better		
Requires seam finishing		
Edges can fray		
Most stretch is along the bias		
Stretch is either on the bias or cross grain		
Seams do not always require a finish		
High elasticity		
Can be less comfortable to wear		
Wrinkle and crease resistant		
Not particularly stable		
Can hold pleat and sharp corners		
High extensibility and recovery		
Holds a crease well		
Quite stable		
Higher labour costs to manufacture		
Less labour costs to manufacture		
Elastic properties are limited		