

INTRODUCTION

There are many teaching aids and pieces of equipment which can be made in the school by both teachers and pupils if a few sets of simple and inexpensive hand tools are provided.

Some things which would prove too difficult for the school to make can sometimes be made by the local technical college as part of student course work, or by the technicians who have the skills and the equipment

The hand tools which make up the set are as follows:
wood saw, junior hack saw, small screwdriver, hammer, craft knife, plane, hand drill, scissors and a metal ruler.

To overcome the damage to desks and tables while they are being used as work benches, it is recommended that small work tops are made. As can be seen from the drawings, these just rest on the desk or table tops to protect them from being damaged. This easily made piece of equipment also helps to make clearing up an easy job so that the room is easily converted back into a classroom.

Teachers should be encouraged by their schools to make things which will help them to be better teachers by providing not only a set of tools, but also a table and work tops in the common room or where they can work in peace.

Once this 'help yourself' approach is seen to be working it is very important that the school uses the money saved to buy classroom materials which the teachers, pupils and technical college cannot make.

Please note that all measurement sizes given are minimum sizes.