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ONE THREAD DOESN'T FIT ALL—DECORATIVE THREADS

Directions: Write the correct type of thread listed below on the line preceding the description.

Acrylic	Cotton	Crochet or Pearl Cotton	Metallic	Polyester
Rayon	Ribbon	Texturized (wooly) Nylon		

_____ Offered in a wide array of vibrant colors, this is silky, lustrous, and versatile. Because it is weaker than regular sewing thread, it should not be used for construction but for top thread adornment. It is especially effective with programmed decorative stitches, monogramming, and software embroidery discs.

_____ This is a thin two-ply, lustrous thread designed for decorative stitching. The heavier 30 weight should be used for close satin stitching, and the finer 60 weight used for embroidery and French "hand sewing."

_____ "Super Sheen," a fine gauge polyester distributed by Pfaff dealers, is ideal for machine embroidery but can also be used for construction.

_____ A recent addition to the market, this is a 50-weight, high-gloss thread designed and distributed by New Home dealers for machine embroidery. It is static-free and easy to use.

_____ Under normal sewing conditions, these threads don't break or shred, as long as the needle eye is large enough. They add a beautiful touch of glitter, and they are durable. Some are thin, and some are textured. They are available in gold, silver, variegated, and other colors. All-purpose thread should be used on the bobbin; use metallic in upper looper only on the serger.

_____ This is soft and supple, rayon or silk, and is 1/16 inch or 1/8 inch wide. It can be used on conventional sewing machines. A braiding foot helps direct the ribbon under the needle as it passes through. It can also be couched down by zigzagging with clear thread.

_____ This is also good for use on sergers. Its fluffiness helps give good coverage, and it is especially nice for stretchy seams.

_____ This can be used for decorative effects on the regular sewing machines, as well as the serger, when threaded in the upper looper.