Let's re-size trousers and make them high waisted !

This is where we start

take off the trousers, turn them inside out and mark the ~~pink measurement~~ *from the edge* down to each inside of the leg. ~~Mark with a little snip.~~

Step 1

Measure ~~the pink line~~, from the crotch point where all seams meet up to the point where you want your trousers to sit.

Step 2

Starting from the ~~little snip~~, cut the seam of the trousers open. You basically ~~cut a hole in the crotch area.~~

Step 3

~~Pin~~ the inside leg seams so they're perfectly matching again. You might notice that the ~~cut holes~~ look a little bulky, you can trim a bit of ~~fabric~~ to make them a little flatter. You should be able to pin & sew a line (slightly curved) to close your cuts.

Step 4

~~Pin the remaining holes~~ together and sew along the edges on the frot & back. You have now created a lower croth and therefore a higher waistline.

Step 5

Put on your trousers. You will see that the waist line is a lot higher now. That also means you'll have to take off equal parts on the left and right side. Use your fingers to hold the trousers for a perfect fit and mark the points where your fingers sit (equal on the right and left side).

Step 6

This is the intersting part. You could just cut off the excess fabric and sew the new seam. I decided to use a special stitch and thick thread, so I didn't have to cut the fabric. I could even re-size the trousers in a few years. Here are details on the stitch:

The "special stitch"
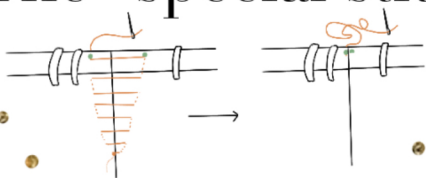
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...is not so special if you know a thing or two about embroidery. You basically stitch parallel lines from side to side, giuding the thread under and above the fabric. Starting with very small lines, make them longer with every stitch until you reach the last line, which is ecactly from one marked fingerprint to the other.

You can fold down the excess fabric on the inside and secure it to the waistline with a few stitches.