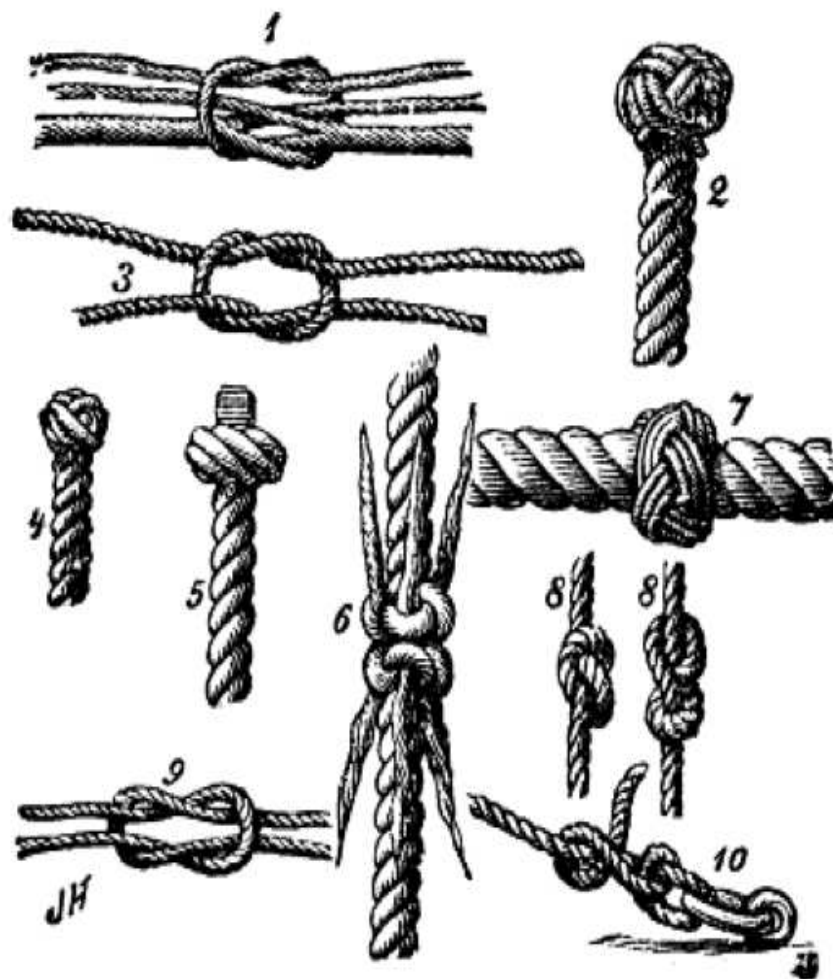
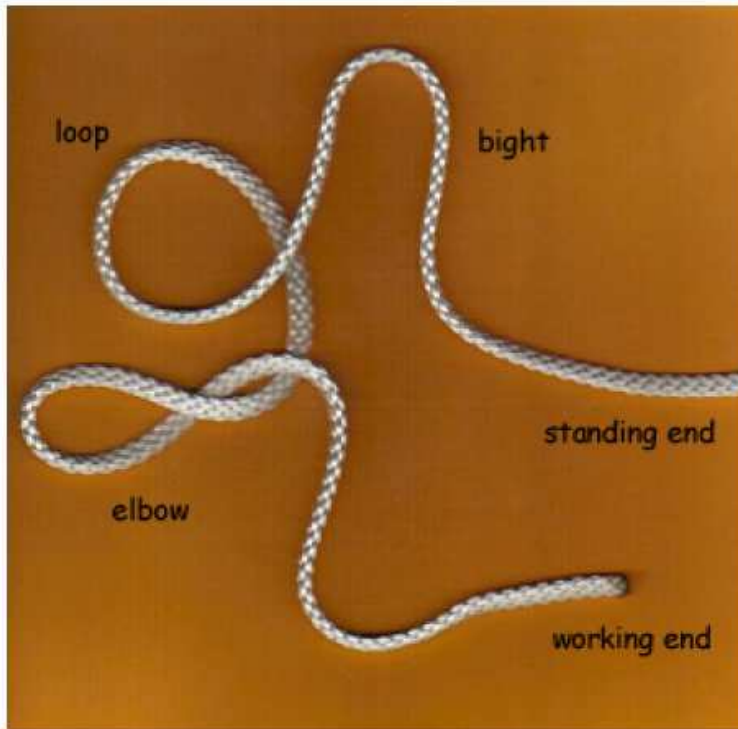


# KNOTS



Some knots: 1. Splice 2. Manrope knot 3. Granny knot 4. Rosebud stopper knot  
5. Matthew Walker knot 6. Shroud knot 7. Turks head knot 8. Overhand knot, Figure-of-eight knot 9. Reef knot or Square knot 10. Two half hitches  
(see round turn and two half hitches)

# Terminology



Knot terminology

## **Standing end**

The end of the rope not involved in making the knot, often shown as unfinished.

## **Standing part**

Section of line between knot and the standing end.

## **Working end**

The active end of a line used in making the knot. May also be called the 'running end' or 'live end'.

## **Working part**

Section of line between knot and the working end.

## **Bitter end**

More a ropeworker's term than a knot term, the reference is to the end of a rope that is tied off, hence the expression "to the bitter end". A *bitt* is a metal block with a crosspin used for tying lines to, found on docks.

## **Bight**

The center part of a length of rope, string, or yarn (cf knitting and knitting needle) as opposed to the ends. The definition changes depending on whether the definite or indefinite article is used:

- "**The bight**" is any portion of the rope, string, or yarn between its two ends.
- "**A bight**" is a U-shaped loop used in making a knot or stitch. Many knots, such as the bowline can be tied in either the end or the bight.

## **Loop**

A full circle formed by passing the working end over itself.