## **LEARNING ACTIVITY-1**

## 1.1. Fabric Types

TS 11818 EN 14465 Textile-upholstery fabrics are classified into seven different categorization according to the specifications and test methods. Plain textured fabrics are divided into seven groups: chenille fabric, knitted fabric, tufted fabric, flocked fabric, non-woven fabric and corrugated fabric.

There are three kinds of fabric according to the raw materials. These are natural fabrics, synthetic fabrics and artificial fabrics. The advantages of different types of fabrics may differ.

Silk, cotton, linen and wool fabrics of natural fabrics do not resist to heat. Maintenance is difficult because it requires care.

Synthetic fabrics such as polyester, nylon, lycra fabrics should be washed with cold water. These fabrics burn easily. They don't wrinkle easily.

Artificial fabrics; acetate, rayon and viscose; they remain soft and retain their color. Easy-burning artificial fabrics have low moisture absorption capacity.

It is the type of fabric that highlights the design of a chair. Choosing the useful seating fabric will both improve the decoration of the home and allow it to be used as new for a long time.

The durability of the upholstery fabrics are also important as well as the pattern and texture harmony and the properties of the fabric.

Types of Upholstery fabrics are listed as; Nubuck fabrics, Chenille fabrics, Linen fabrics, Woven patterned fabrics, Woven Velvet fabrics, Knitted Velvet fabrics, Digital Printing fabrics, Suede fabrics.

The choice of seat fabric is the priority of user needs. The most useful fabric is the fabric according to the needs. When the requirements are listed, it is necessary to consider the living conditions. When the preferences are made according to expectations, it is the most ideal fabric.

Factors affecting fabric selection;

- 1. Family with young children.
- 2. To have pets at home
- 3. To have a will to make flashy decoration.
- 4. Daily use
- 5. Home decor with summer concept
- 6. Rustic home decor
- 7. Hall decoration used to entertain only guests
- 8. Intensive living space as living room decoration
- 9. Easy cleaning feature.

The type of fabric that is needed at home with small children or pets should be available to clean by wiping. Those who want an impressive look, the velvet fabric is similar to the attention of the human beings and feel himself better should be preferred from the Thai feather fabric. For daily use, chenille fabrics are preferred due to their tight weaving. Linen fabrics are the ideal fabrics for summer-themed houses. In rustic home decoration, preferred leather fabric in offices is preferred. The choice in the halls depends on usage. Light colors and delicate fabrics are preferred in a lounge seating group that will be used only to welcome guests. The fabric type which should be preferred in a frequently used lounge seating group should be erasable, non-staining fabrics.