

Experiment No. 8

Remove different types of stains from white cotton cloth – Ball Pen, Curry, Grease, Ink, Lipstick, Tea & Coffee

Stain	Condition	Cotton and Linen
1. Ball pen ink		1. Steep in methylated spirit. 2. Wash with soap and water.
2. Curry stain	Fresh	1. Wash with soap and water. 2. Bleach in sunlight and air.
	Old	1. Same as for fresh. 2. Bleach with javelle water.
3. Grease	Fresh	Wash with hot water and soap
	Old	1. Treat with grease solvent (Petrol, methylated spirit). 2. Wash with hot water and soap.
4. Ink	Fresh	1. Rub the stain with a cut tomato and salt wash. 2. Soak the stain immediately in sour milk or curd for half an hour. Wash. 3. Apply salt and lime juice and leave it for half an hour. Wash.
	Old	1. Try above no. 2 and 3 with prolonged treatment. 2. Steep in dilute oxalic acid. 3. Rinse thoroughly with dilute borax solution.
5. Lipstick	Fresh	Steep in methylated spirit and wash with soap and water.
	Old	Moisten and soften by working glycerine into a stain. Leave for a short while. Rinse and then wash with soap and water.
6. Tea and Coffee	Fresh	Pour boiling water through.
	Old	1. Spread Borax over and pour boiling water through. 2. Steep in glycerine until stain is removed.