STEP

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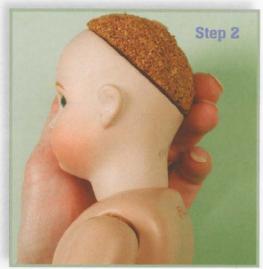
It is easy to cut and shape these new pates with scissors or a Featherknife because they are made of a very soft cork material. This soft cork also allows you to pin on the wig for cutting and styling.

These dome-shaped pates are available in nine different sizes. Each pate includes an additional flat piece of cork that can be cut to fit the opening in the head and glued to the bottom of the pate to form a type of ridge that will hold the pate in place.



## SUPPLIES:

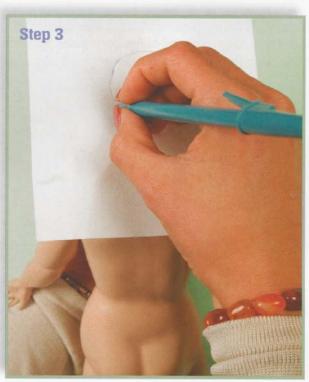
French Cork Pate
Featherknife
Scissors
Pen or dark leaded
pencil
Tracing or white
copy paper
Tacky glue.



2. Use the scissors or knife to reshape the pate until the head and pate together have a natural shape without any unsightly bulges or ridges.



I. Set the eyes, tongue and teeth in the doll's head and let plaster dry thoroughly. It is optional whether or not you want to attach the head to the body at this point. Select the French Cork Pate that best fits the doll's head circumference without being too small. If the pate is a little larger than the head, trace around the head onto the flat side of the pate with a pen or dark leaded pencil. Remove the excess cork with sharp craft scissors or a Featherknife. Hold the pate on the doll's head to test for fit. Keep trimming until the edges of the pate are even with the edges of the top rim of the head. Use a pen or pencil to mark the center front of the pate.



Use thin piece of paper to trace an outline of the opening in the doll's head. Mark the center front.