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- 1. Discuss general precautions related to home repairs. Name at least 10 safe practices that every home repairer should exercise.
- 2. Under the supervision of your merit badge counselor, do FOUR of the following:
 - a. Maintain or recondition a garden tool and show that you know how to clean up and properly store it and other tools.
 - b. Install insulation in an attic, wall, or crawl space.
 - c. Caulk cracks or joints open to the weather.
 - d. Waterproof a basement.
 - e. Repair a break in a concrete or asphalt surface.
 - f. Repair the screen in a window or door.
 - g. Replace a pane of glass.
 - h. Solder a broken wire or metal object.
- 3. Under the supervision of your merit badge counselor, do THREE of the following:
 - a. Install or build equipment for storing tools.
 - b. Build a workbench
 - c. Repair a piece of furniture.
 - d. Paint or varnish a piece of furniture, a door, or trim on a house.
 - e. Repair a sagging door or gate.
 - f. Repair a loose step.
 - g. Repair a fence.
- 4. Under the supervision of your merit badge counselor, do TWO of the following:
 - a. Locate a main electrical switch box and know how to replace a fuse or reset a circuit breaker.
 - b. Replace an electrical cord or repair a plug or lamp socket.
 - c. Install a single-pole light switch.
 - d. Replace an electrical wall outlet.
- 5. Under the supervision of your merit badge counselor, do TWO of the following:
 - a. Clear a clogged drain or trap.
 - b. Repair a leaky water faucet.
 - c. Repair a flush toilet.
 - d. Repair a leaky hose or connector.
 - e. Clean or replace a sprinkler head.
- 6. Under the supervision of your merit badge counselor, do THREE of the following:
 - a. Paint a wall or ceiling.
 - b. Repair or replace damaged tile or linoleum.
 - c. Install drapery or curtain rods and then hang drapes or curtains.
 - d. Replace window blind cords.
 - e. Repair or replace a window sash cord.
 - f. Reinforce a picture frame.
 - g. Mend an object made of china, glass, or pottery.

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