

An awl can be used for many jobs.

Use strong wood to hold the nail well.

Bend and dent the nail to help it hold in the wood.

Use many different size nails.

In harder woods it is best to make a hole first with an awl to prevent splitting. Binding will strengthen weaker woods.

If there is no metal saw to cut the nail head break it off by a lot of hitting.

Either hammer or file the shape you want on the end.

For the **metal cutting tool** hammer the nail all the way through the wood, cut short and shape the point to a flat.

File or grind to make the edge on the knife.

Loose nails can be wedged in with a small stick.

Nails are soft metal and will need re-sharpening often.

Bike spokes are stronger and may need heating to shape.