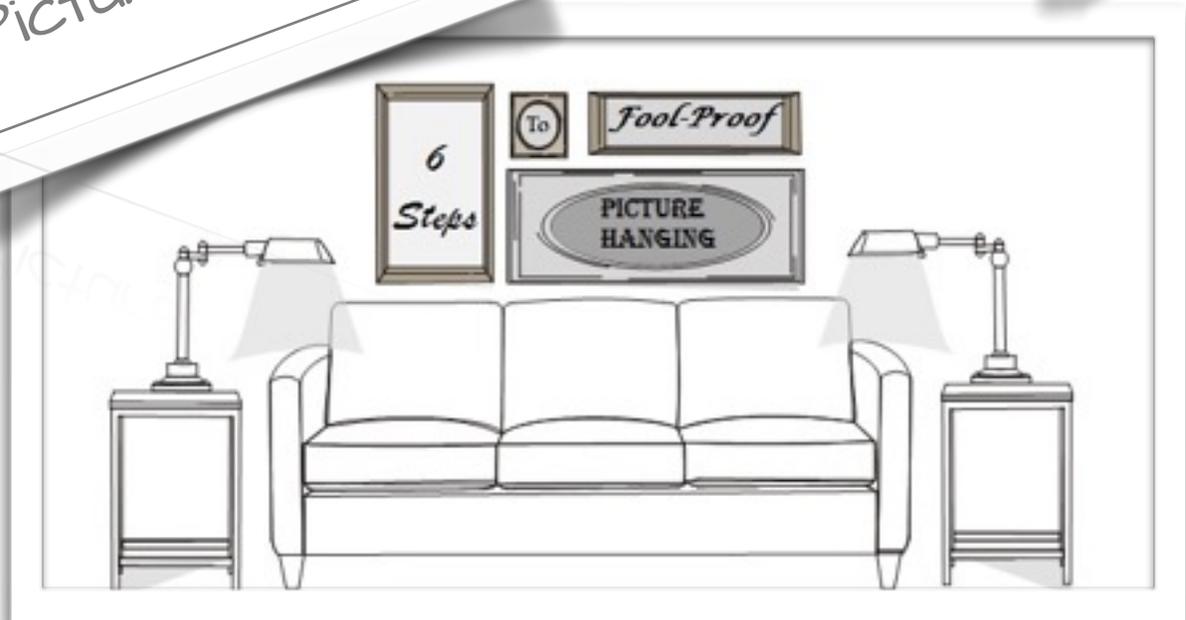


# 6 Steps to Fool-Proof Picture Hanging

Get it right the FIRST time.

No extra holes!



First, a few design guidelines about groupings:

- The shape of the space the grouping must fill tells you the shape of your arrangement. A rectangular shape suggests a rectangular or oval arrangement, a square space suggests a square or round arrangement.
- Groupings are best if all the items have a reason for being together — they share a common subject, style, theme or even one color.
- The width of the arrangement should not be less than about two-thirds of the width of the furniture under it and must not be wider than that furniture.
- Try to keep the horizontal and vertical spaces between the pictures equal, and not more than two to three inches.
- If possible, place the most important piece in the middle of the arrangement with the horizontal centre of that piece at eye level which is typically considered 59 inches from the floor.

# 6 Steps to Fool-Proof Picture Hanging

## Supplies you need:

- \* Painters tape
- \* Newspaper, a roll of brown paper or any medium-weight paper pieces.
- \* Measuring tape
- \* Camera or pencil
- \* Picture-hanging hooks and the tools required.
- \* Picture-hanging tool. (see below for instructions)

## 1. Make a piece of paper:

Measure the space of the wall where the pictures will hang together to make one large piece to these measurements. Lay this big piece out flat.



## 2. Arrange the pictures:

Lay the pictures on the paper. Move them around until you have an arrangement which appeals to you. Draw around each picture. Take a picture of the arrangement. (If you can't take a picture, read step 6 for an alternative)



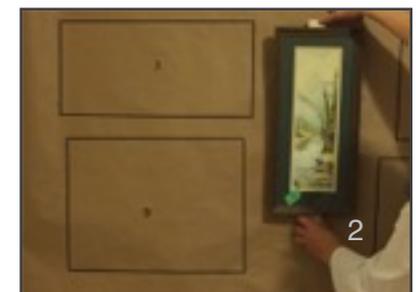
## 3. Hang the pattern:

Tape the paper on the wall. Use painters tape so it doesn't damage the surface.



## 4. Mark each hanger place:

Here is the secret to your success: It's the PICTURE HANGING TOOL. Make your own with the instructions on page 4. Pick up one of your pictures, hook the hanging wire onto the head end of the screw on your PICTURE HANGING TOOL. Hold the 1x2 in your left hand like you are holding a sign. Put the picture over its particular spot on the pattern and gently push on the very top of the 1x2 with your right hand. The screw will poke into the wall, indicating exactly where the hook or nail will be.



## 5. Add the hangers:

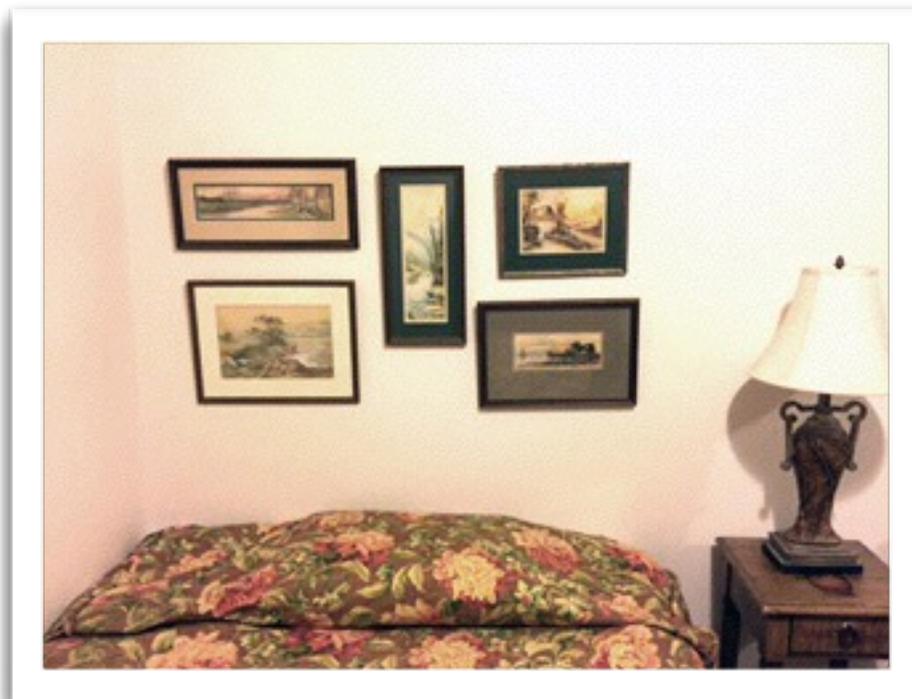
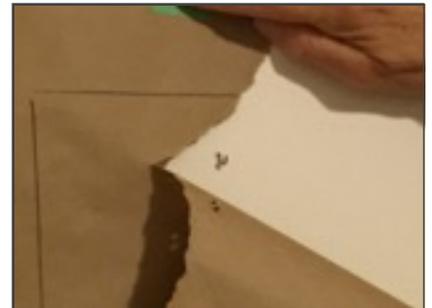
Put the nails or picture hanging hooks into the wall at each screw poke, right through the paper. Make sure that the part of the hook which receives the wire is over the screw poke. I use Monkey Hooks. See below.



## 6. Hang the Pictures:

Remove the paper and hang the pictures. There. Done.

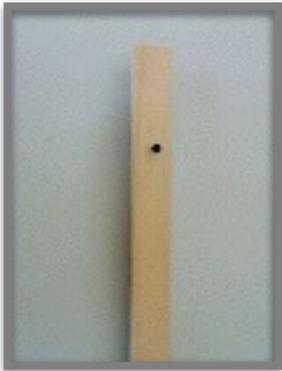
If you can't take a picture of the arrangement in Step 2, mark each of your pieces with a number written on tape and mark the wall with the same number before removing the pattern.



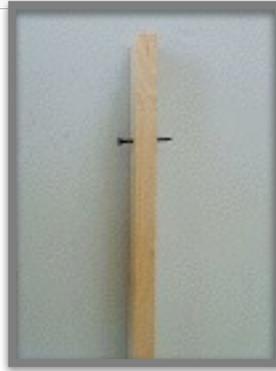
## Make a picture hanging tool

### Supplies you need:

- \* Measuring tape
- \* Pencil
- \* 1 piece of 1x2-inch board about 24 long.
- \* 1 1 1/2-inch dry wall screw, or one 1 1/2-inch number 6 wood screw. Pre-drill if using a wood screw.
- \* Screwdriver with appropriate screw bit.



1. Mark a dot on the 1x2, 3 inches from one end and in the centre of the 2-inch side.

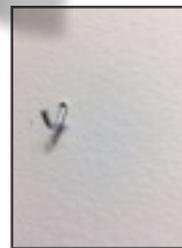


2. Insert the screw at the mark so it goes through the 1x2 and sticks out the other side 1/2 inch.



3. Hook the picture wire over the head of the screw.

## Monkey Hooks



Insert the end about 1/8-inch above the screw poke. These hooks can hold up to 50 pounds each, make a very small hole, don't need anchors or studs and can be removed with a simple pull on the hook. I don't use anything else.