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Carpentry: Home Repair Basics

Working with wood is not only a craft that can bring you hours of pleasure, it is an art, or it can be. While we are not offering a course in the art of woodworking, we do offer a beginning to a hobby that can transcend the commonplace chores of simple repairs of wooden objects.

Tools, as we said, are essential to complete woodworking tasks. What follows is a more than adequate list. You need not purchase them all at one time, though that is not a bad idea.

Utensils:

- 1 claw hammer
- 1 tack hammer
- 1 ball peen hammer
- 1 set of screwdrivers
(see Recipe 2 on *How to Use a Screwdriver*)
- Wood files (smooth, medium, rough) and handles to match
- 1 crosscut handsaw
- 1 coping saw
- 1 small jack plane

Ingredients:

- Assortment of wood screws
- Assortment of woodworking nails
- Assortment of tacks
- Small hand drill and assortment of bits
- Assortment of open-coat sandpaper
- Plastic wood
- White polyvinyl glue

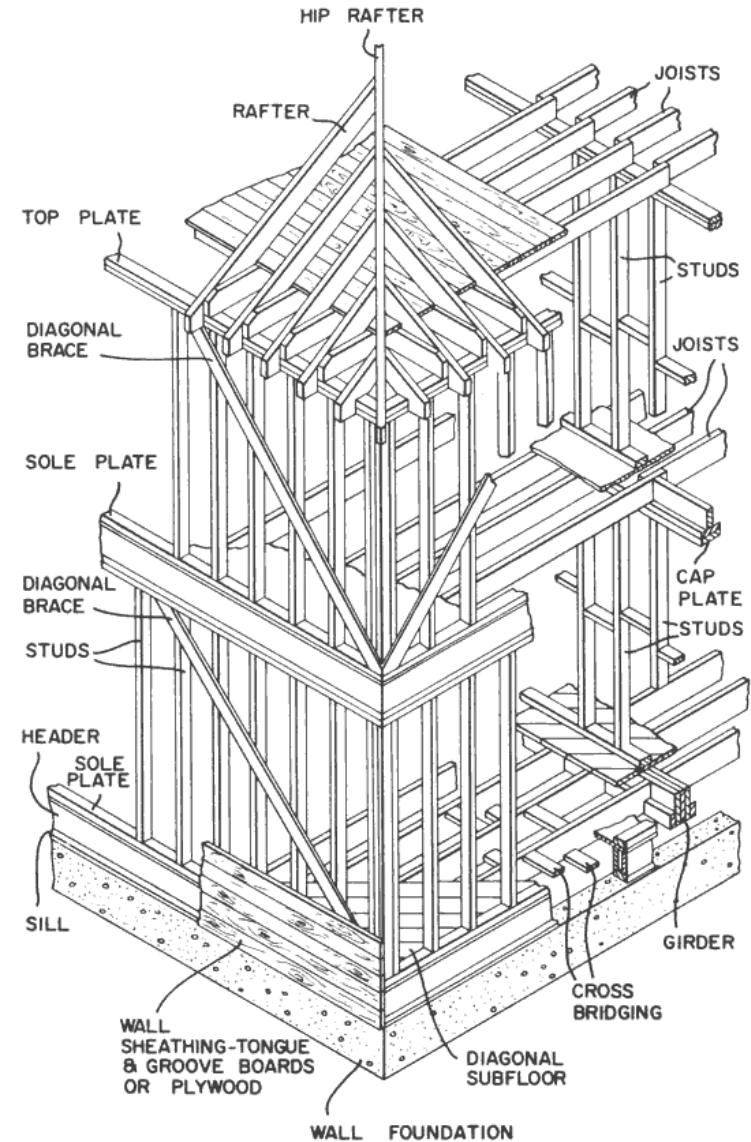


Figure D.
Platform Framing for a Typical Two Story House