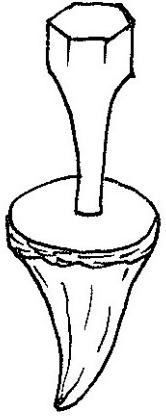
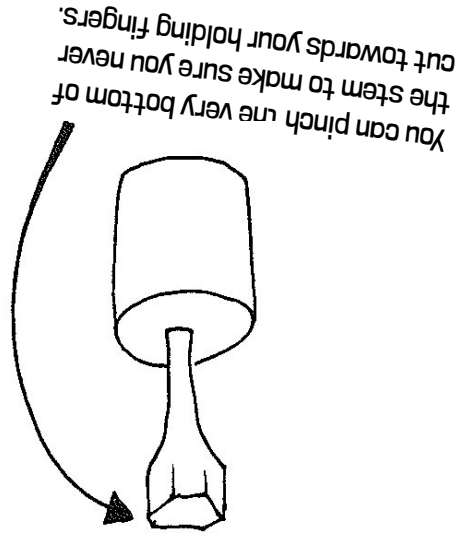


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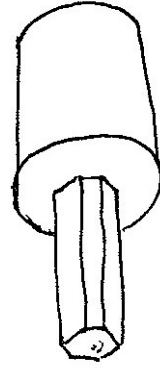


8. Now shape the cap of the mushroom to a dome or point by cutting down towards the work surface

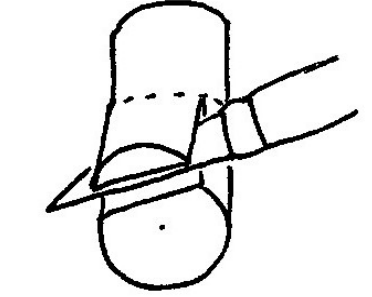


7. Now you can shape the stem by carving until you have the shape you want.

You can pinch the very bottom of the stem to make sure you never cut towards your holding fingers.



6. Turn the wood a little and repeat this about 6 times until you have something that looks like a little mallet.

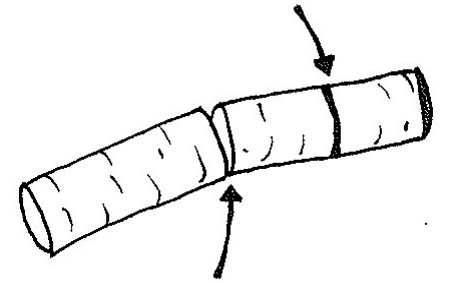


5. Put the knife across the sawn section of wood about 1cm from the edge and gently tap the back of the knife with the left over bit of branch.

4. Stand your log on a stump of wood with the cap of the stem up. mushroom down and the stem up.

1. Find a place to saw where the wood won't move around. e.g. a sawhorse, workmate, picnic table.

3. Measure how long you want the mushroom stem to be and saw the whole thing off the branch.



2. About 6 - 7 cm from one end, saw a groove about 1cm deep all the way round the branch.

These instructions assume that you are already comfortable using sharp hand-tools and that you have asked an adult to help if that's what you need to do.

You will need:



A **SHARP** knife



A saw

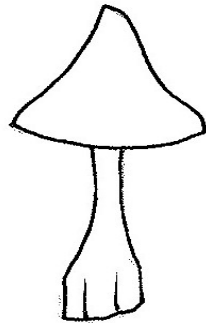


A knot free length of wood (willow or another soft hardwood) at least 40cm long and 4 - 5 cm diameter

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