# Pointers For Parents

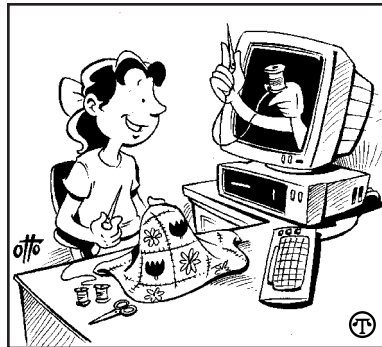## Itching To Stitch? New Software Shows How

(NAPSA)—A stitch, in time, can save a lot more than nine, providing youngsters with a helpful skill that they can put to use throughout life.

Sewing is a terrific activity for kids, giving them a convenient opportunity to explore their creative side. Now there's software to help youngsters get started sewing. For this reason, the computer could be considered an essential part of the modern sewing kit—in addition to needle, thread and thimble.

Sewing Made Easy pattern software was developed with little hands in mind, for the child (or grandchild) who wants to learn to sew. The program—believed to be the first that's meant to be used by individuals just learning to sew—offers simple patterns (in appropriate sizes) for children to learn how to make their own garments, and even see how they'll look before whipping a stitch.

Sewing Made Easy for Kids uses instructional text and streaming video to take young artisans through the step-by-step process of sewing. Developed by LivingSoft, the software offers a variety of features, including:

• Patterns. Some standard children's sizes are built in, but users can also add their own sets



**Sewing Made Easy software, it's "sew" simple for children to learn to sew.**

of measurements to draft and print patterns.

• Graphics. Choose the garment you want and see it on a virtual model (boy or girl).

• Video. Instructional video walks you through each step of sewing each pattern.

• Fabric swatch viewing. Drop in a fabric swatch to get a general idea of how a particular fabric will look on the garment, or how two different fabrics will look with two garments together.

Visit www.livingsoft.com/sme to view a free online demo of Sewing Made Easy for Kids. To learn more about the product, or to order the software, call Living-Soft at (800) 626-1262.