

CUTTING THE RABBET AND DADO JOINTS

- ① A **Rabbet** joint is a groove cut on the *edges or ends* of a board into which another board can be fitted like the corner of a drawer.
- ② A **Dado** joint is a groove cut anywhere but the edges or ends of a board (*usually across the grain*) into which another board can be fitted like the like the uprights of a bookshelf.
- ③ Select the appropriate tools to make the joint: Pencil, ruler, marking gauge, tri-square, bench hook, back saw, chisel.
- ④ Carefully mark out the joint according to instruction using the correct measurements.
- ⑤ Begin with the saw cuts using the **back saw** and **bench hook**
 - ☞ Be sure to cut on the **waste** side of the line
- ⑥ Clear out the waste and trim to fit the joint with a **chisel**.
 - ☞ Mount **stock** in **vise** and use two hands on chisel to prevent injury.