

HARDWARE AND FASTENERS

- ① **Hardware** is anything in a woodworking project made from a man-made material such as steel, brass, copper, plastic, glass etc.
- ② **Fasteners**, such as nails, screws, bolts etc. are also considered to be hardware.
- ③ Hardware has three important **functions** or uses:
 - ☞ to **aid movement**;
e.g. hinges, wheels, drawer slides, ball bearings, handles, knobs etc.
 - ☞ to **restrict movement**;
e.g. fasteners, doorknobs, locks, metal bracing straps etc.
 - ☞ for **protection**;
e.g. kick plates, corner protectors, wear strips etc.
- ④ Most hardware is usually nailed or screwed in place.