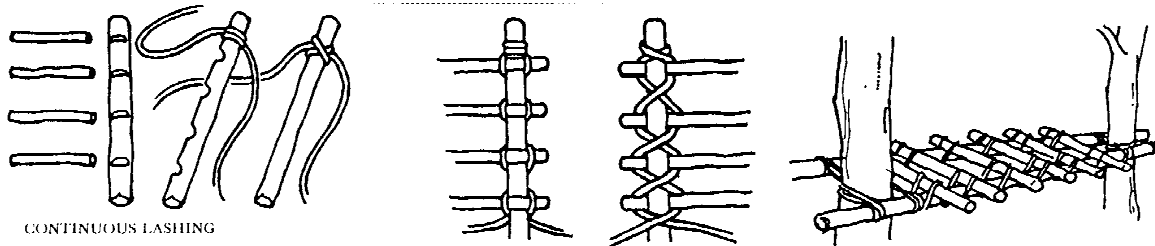


## *Continuous Lashing*

**Continuous Lashing** is probably the most fun of all the lashing techniques. It requires two to three people to complete successfully. It is useful in creating shelves, dishwashing stations, tables, and many other wonderful structures in your campsite.



If you want to make a shelf or dishwashing station, you begin by square lashing two long poles between two trees (if you don't have trees, you will need to make legs for the ends and square lash the poles to the legs). Now begins the continuous part. You will need lots of small sticks (notching isn't required) to create your shelf on the two long poles. If you have three people working, two will wrap twine and one will feed the sticks between wraps. Measure twine that is about 4-5 times the length of your finished structure for each person wrapping. Find the center and wrap the twine around each hand. Using this center, tie a clove hitch around the cross pole for each side. The third

person now lays a stick between the two poles. Working together, each person wrapping goes over the pole (one hand inside the poles, one outside), down under the pole, making a cross (switch bundles to opposite hands while underneath). Each person continues working in unison, bringing the twine up, over another stick, down, and cross, until your shelf is complete. End the lashing with a square knot. The design possibilities for this type of lashing are endless.

