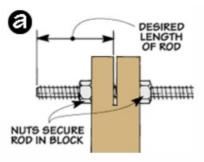


CUTTING THREADED ROD (OR CUTTING A BOLT)

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Cutting threaded rod is difficult as the rod spins as you try to make the cut or alternatively crush the threads when the tithe jaws of the vice are too tight? Or it just adds up with a mangled less-than-straight cut.

? Here's a simple way to make this job a lot cleaner. Instead of clamping the threaded rod directly in the vice, use an ordinary wood block that can be tightened in the vice. The rod passes through a hole drilled near the end of the block, and a thin kerf guides the hacksaw blade while the cut is made.



You can prevent the rod from spinning as you make

the cut by threading a nut on each end until it's snug (but not tight) against the block (see 'a')

The nut remaining on the cut-off piece can be used to clean up the threads damaged by the saw by removing the nut (see 'b')

