**TASK: Adjust Shade Length**

**Use If/When:** Shade is too long or short

**Tools Needed:** N/A

Depending on the material ordered, some shades cannot be cut to the exact finished blind length. On an outside mount, they will typically be cut up to ½” longer. Over time, natural shades can relax/stretch or shrink.

1. **Too Long:**
   - An additional fold can be added to the bottom hem to take up the extra material. If available, hot glue should be used to hold the fold. If hot glue is not available, Elmer’s glue can be substituted. Ample time must be given to allow the hem to dry before hanging.
   - **Note:** Be careful not to get glue on any other part of the shade. Check carefully to make sure this procedure does not result in the shade being too short.
   - **Note:** Can only be done on standard hem shades without a liner.

   ![Prior to glued fold](image1) ![After glued fold](image2)

2. **Too Short**
   - Allow the shade to hang for a few days. If the material does not relax to the proper length, it can be stretched slightly by pulling gently on the bottom hem.