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## Focus Question

What are the steps for building a guitar?



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## **Introduction**

A guitar can be made by a machine.

A guitar can also be made by hand.

When Stephen makes a guitar, he needs to follow certain steps.





## **Step 1: Design and Planning**

He needs to choose the size and look of the guitar. Then he plans his design on paper.





## Step 2: Tracing and Cutting

Next, he traces the design onto wood.

Then he cuts the wood.

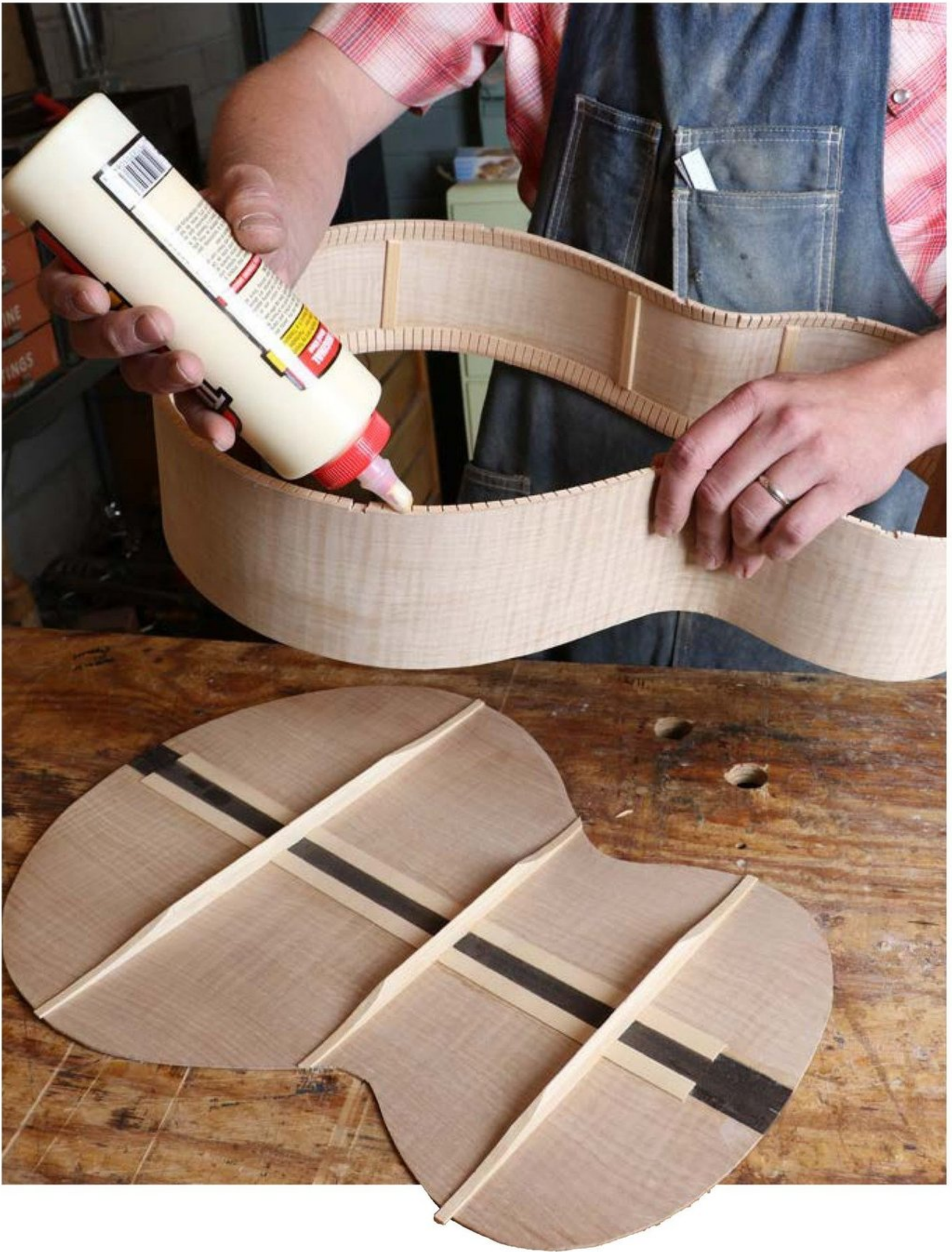




## Step 3: Bending

Stephen bends the wood for the body of the guitar. He uses steam to help bend the wood.





## Step 4: Gluing

Next, he glues the body together.





## Step 5: Preparing the Body

He sands the wood to make it smooth.



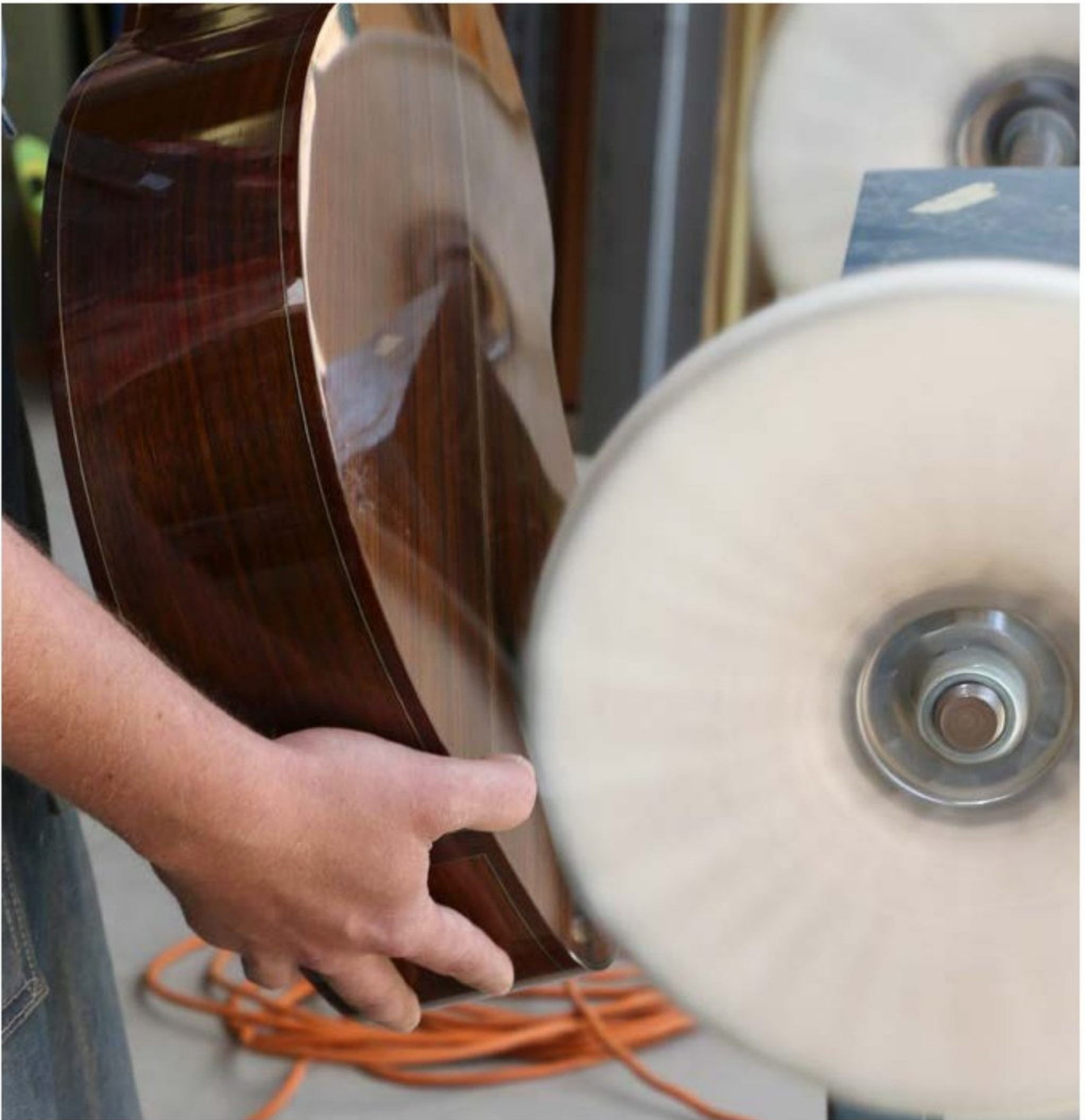


## Step 6: Attaching the Neck

Next, he glues the neck to the body.

He uses clamps to hold the neck in place while the glue dries.





## **Step 7: Staining and Buffing**

Then, Stephen stains the wood. Stain changes the color of the wood and makes it beautiful. When the wood is dry, he buffs it to a shine.





## Conclusion

Building a guitar takes time and effort.

Once Stephen has made one guitar, he wants to make another!



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