Hammering

- If you have to hold the nail or spike in an awkward position when you are getting started, try using a pair of pliers.

- When starting to nail, swing the hammer with reduced force in case you miss and hit yourself. Hold the nail or spike near the head while starting it.

- If you keep your elbow close to the surface that you are nailing into, you’ll be more accurate.

- Once the nail or spike is started, start to hit it more forcefully.

- Move your other hand away. Seems obvious, but this is a common error.