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Understanding Wood Grain

 Each tool cut below will have a different reaction in the wood depending on the grain. The bottom line is all of the cuts work. You just need to understand the wood grain before you push the carving tool into your project.

The first one will cut into the grain and have a tendency to chip up your project.

The third cut will again like the first one "A" cause the wood to chip up but it will only chip up until B and or the grain changes as it does.

The second cut will cut into the grain and will leave a clean smooth cut.

In "D" you will have less chance of chipping up then you will have in A and C.

