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Abstract (en)  
A shoe-lace gripper (8) device is disclosed which is configured to grip a shoe-lace and prevent withdrawal of the shoe-lace (2) through an eyelet (4) of the shoe (1). The gripper device comprises a pair of gripper elements (17a,17b) and means to lock (23,24), clamp or urge the gripper element together in a gripping configuration so as to grip a length of the shoe-lace between two gripper elements. The gripper elements are configured to urge or deform part of the shoe-lace into a tortuous path, thereby securing the gripper device of the shoe-lace in a fixed position along the shoe-lace.  
<IMAGE>

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