

Straw Weaving



Items needed (quantity per creation)

- 3 straws (if they are the ones with a bend it will be easier to chop that piece off)
- 3 x 40cm pieces of wool
- 12 x 3m piece of wool (this will vary depending on wrist size)
- 1 small piece of solid card (8cm x 4cm)
- Tape
- Scissors

Instructions

1- Tie the three shorter pieces of wool together at one end and thread each piece of wool through a plastic straw. Only the ends of this wool will be seen in your final project. The straws will act as your loom.

2- Wrap your long piece of wool around the cardboard. The cardboard will act like your shuttle as you weave.

Tie the loose end of your wool to your other 3 pieces of wool that have been threaded through the straws. Secure the knotted wool to the table with a piece of tape. This will hold your loom in place as you weave.

3- Use the cardboard shuttle to weave your wool over the first straw, under the second, and then over the third. You will continue weaving back and forth. Use your fingers to push the yarn against the top of the loom, keeping the rows tight together. At first it will seem slow progress but once the first few rows are on it gets much easier. I taped the top of my first weave to the straw as it tended to slip off.

4- Once your project is long enough, carefully slide the straws down, and off the wool, one at a time. You will need to hold your weaving in place so it doesn't unravel.

5- Tie your loose ends of wool together to secure it. Cut off extra wool, leaving it long enough to tie the two ends together to form your bracelet.

