



Weaving for Kids



Supplies for your weaving activity

You will need:

- a piece of heavy cardboard
- a pair of safety scissors
- one or more balls of wool
- sticky tape

Directions...

1. Gather together your materials. We will be making your loom first. Cut your cardboard into a rectangle shape for the base of your loom.
2. Cut slots on two of the edges opposite each other. Mine are 1/2 inch apart starting 1 inch in from each side. If you want to you can also cut out a shuttle (like a large cardboard needle).
3. Weaving involves warp and weft, warp threads in the picture above are blue and the weft is red. To start weaving on your cardboard loom thread the warp thread from back to the front in the first slot. Take the thread to the opposite slot and place it in the slot, wind the thread over to the next slot and bring it back to the front. Keep threading your loom going up and down until you reach the other side. Stick down the two ends at the back of the loom with some sticky tape.
4. To create your woven fabric you thread the weft under and over the warp threads on the loom alternating on each row. If you go under a warp thread in one row, you go over it in the next. Starting on the side of the loom where you taped down the warp tail. Keep going backwards and forwards until your fabric is the size you want it to be. Try to finish on the same side as the other taped down warp tail.





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5. You should have two corners with one red thread and one blue thread (sticky taped down). Tie the two threads together securely.
6. Turn your loom over and one by one cut the threads between the slots. Tie the two ends together securely before you cut the next loop.
7. When you have tied off all the end threads, you are all done!

