

Make bracelets

Collect from around your home

- nylon thread, elastic thread tape or cotton thread tape

- Plastic or wood beads (or you can make your own beads out of salt clay and baking them in the oven)

Scissors

1. To get started, cut off a piece of thread long enough to fit loosely around the wrist once or several times, plus a generous allowance for knotting.
2. Make a knot at one end of the thread so that the beads do not slip off.
3. Thread the beads until the desired length is reached. For younger children it is a good idea to add a simple knot after each bead. This allows each bead to be individually highlighted and protected from friction. In addition, there is no danger of losing all the beads if the thread should break.
4. Knot the two ends of the thread tightly together and your bracelet is done.

Preparation

With classic pearl bracelets there are no limits to your creativity. Whether colourful, black and white or transparent, made of plastic or wood - the beads can be combined in any order you like.

Bracelets made of iron-on beads

Collect from around your home

- elastic rubber band or pipe cleaner
- Iron-on beads
- Oven
- Baking tray
- baking paper

1. Preheat the oven to about 200 degrees Celsius (adjust according to your own oven)
2. Place the beads upright (so you can see the hole) on a baking tray lined with baking paper, ensuring there is sufficient distance between the beads, so they do not melt into one.
3. Place the baking tray in the oven for roughly 3 minutes, or until the beads have melted. Caution: If the beads remain in the oven too long, there is a risk that there will be no hole in the middle afterwards, so keep a close eye on them. The time needed to melt the beads down will depend on your oven and the particular beads you are using.
4. Leave the beads to cool down completely.
5. Thread the beads onto either an elastic rubber band or a pipe cleaner, tie up the ends and it is ready to be worn

Bracelets made of gummy sweets

Collect from around your home

- Gummy sweets of your choice
- sewing needle and some pins
- transparent varnish (optional)
- Cord or thread
- Pearl beads (optional)

NOTE:

Gummy sweet bracelets are not be suitable for consumption due to the transparent varnish coating. Should you wish for them to remain edible, just skip this step.

1. Pierce each gummy sweet crosswise in the middle with a pin and dip it in transparent varnish for a few seconds. The varnish will preserve the gummy sweet and allow it to remain firm and shiny for a longer period of time. Repeat this with as many sweets as needed to create a bracelet. Remember: The bracelets can also be made without varnish, to allow the sweets to remain edible.
2. Allow the gummy sweets to dry completely. Make a knot at one end of the string and thread them on one by one. To make it a little easier, use a sewing needle to thread the sweets. If you have some pearl beads, you can add these on between the gummy sweets to create a more decorative pattern.