



Making a Tiny Textile

Activity for ages 6+. Adult supervision recommended.

Step 1:

Use **scissors** to cut a 3.5 inch x 6 inch piece of **cardboard**. Along the shorter sides, cut 1 cm—long slits 1/4 inch apart.



Step 2:

Wrap **embroidery thread or thin yarn** around the cardboard, top to bottom, through the slits to create the "warp." **Tape** the ends of the thread to the back of the cardboard.



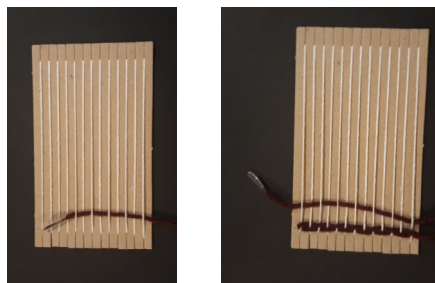
Step 3:

Select a **yarn** and wrap tape around one end to create a grip.



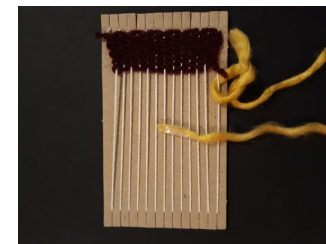
Step 4:

Begin weaving yarn through the warp, using an under/over pattern. When you reach the end of a row, push the row down and begin weaving the opposite direction using the under/over pattern.



Step 5:

If you would like to change colors, tie the end of the first yarn to the outside warp, then tie the end of the second yarn to the same warp, create a tape grip, and begin weaving again.



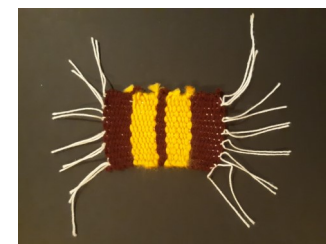
Step 6:

When finished, turn loom over. Untape the two end warp strands, and cut the remaining warp strands through the middle.



Step 7:

Tie pairs of the warp strands in knots (if an uneven number, three may be tied into one knot).



Step 8:

Trim as desired to create fringe for your textile.

