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# Cardboard Weaving Looms

## Materials

- 8" x 6" Piece of Cardboard
- Scissors OR Xacto Knife
- Ruler
- Yarn
- [Yarn Needle](#)
- Tape
- Glue
- [Pom-Pom Maker \(optional\)](#)
- [Beads \(optional\)](#)
- Twigs or [Wooden Dowel](#)

## Directions

### Loom:

- 1) Cut cardboard to 8" x 6"
- 2) Place ruler 1/2" from the top (Short side of the cardboard), and draw a line
- 3) Use the ruler to measure in 1" on each side of the line and make a hash mark. Continue making hash marks within the 1" margins every 3/8"



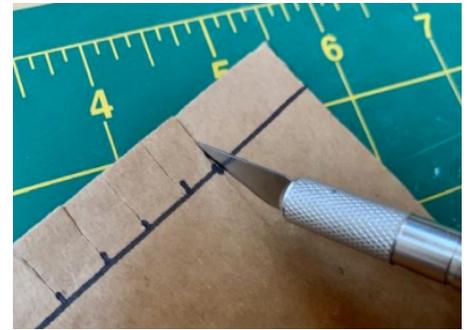
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- 4) Repeat steps 2 and 3 on the bottom side of the cardboard
- 5) Using scissors or an Xacto knife, cut along the hash marks on both sides from the edge of the cardboard up to the 1/2" line
- 6) Cut 2 strips of cardboard that are 6" x 1/2"
- 7) Glue the strips against the 1/2" lines on both sides
- 8) Cut one piece of yarn for each notch and thread them through the top and bottom. Leave a few inches at each end and tape them to the back.



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#### Weaving:

- 1) Cut a 2 foot piece of yarn. Thread it through yarn needle and tie a knot to fasten it
- 2) Slide the needle under the first thread of the loom. Bring it up and over the second thread, and back under the third thread. Continue with this weaving pattern until you reach the end. Once you get all the way across leave a few inches of yarn at the end. Tie a knot to fasten the yarn against the first thread of the loom.
- 3) Continue again in the opposite direction, making sure that your weaving pattern is opposite from the first time so it does not unravel.
- 4) After completing several rows, gently push them up the loom so they are snug. Continue every few rows
- 5) If you would like to add additional colors, repeat steps 1-4. Be careful to leave a few inches of yarn at each end when you cut or attach a new piece



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#### Removing Weaving from Loom:

- 1) Remove tape from the back of the loom and gently pull your weaving out of the notches.
- 2) Tie together the vertical threads of your loom (thread 1 and 2 together, thread 3 and 4 together, etc). Double knot.
- 3) For the excess woven thread on the sides, thread them back through the weaving so they disappear. You can also tape them to the back if this is too time consuming.

#### Decorations (optional)

- 1) Pom-poms: Follow the instructions included with your kit or make them by hand. Once you are done, thread them through the bottom of your weaving and tie them on. Feel free to also add beads to your pom-poms or tassels.
- 2) Twig: To attach the twig, prepare the yarn needle and stitch the twig to the top of your weaving. You can also add a hanger by tying an additional piece of yarn to either side of the twig. If you wish, you can add beads to your hanger as well.

