

ACCESSORIES: NECKLACE MADE FROM JEANS



MATERIALS REQUIRED

A pair of jeans, thread, scissors, a sewing machine and satin ribbon.

DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY

High.

APPROXIMATED TIME REQUIRED

Depends on the length of your necklace. You will need about three hours to make a short one.

LEARNING GOALS

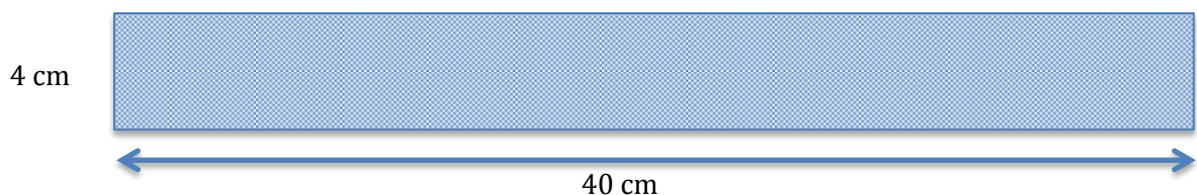
Learn how to work with denim and how to make jewellery with it- necklaces, bracelets...

ABILITIES DEVELOPED

Attention, determination, fine handling, accuracy.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut the jeans into strips. They should be 4 centimetres wide.





2. Fold each strip so its edge cannot be seen. This way it will look nicer and the fabric will not fray. You can also iron the strips, so you can see the fold clearer and it becomes easier to sew.



3. Sew each strip with a sewing machine. Keep in mind that denim is a very tough fabric so you will need a special needle. You have to be very careful when sewing so it doesn't break. Use a hard-wearing thread to avoid breakages.



4. Now we are going to do the links of the necklace. First cut the strips in pieces of 8 centimetres long. Take one piece and sew its two edges, this way you have the first link. Then put another piece inside it and sew its two edges again. You have to repeat this move until the necklace reaches the length you want.





5. To close the necklace you can sew a piece of ribbon to each end, so you can tie and untie it easily. If the necklace is long you can close it by putting one strip inside the first link and the last one and sew its borders as you have done with all the others.

TIPS

You can use different kinds of denim, make the links of different length or with, or even change the colour of the thread that you are using. Like this your necklaces will be unique!

To make the work easier, you can glue the links instead of sewing them.

