

Make a Friendship Bracelet

Making a friendship bracelet is a great way to show someone you care about them. You can give your friendship bracelet to an elderly friend or a young child or anyone in between. Make sure your parent, guardian, or teacher knows what you're doing and never put the beads in your mouth, nose or ears. Also, never leave your beads where younger children can get to them.

Supplies:

1. Plastic coated wire
2. Small beads - any color
3. Wire cutters
4. Ruler
5. Pencil



Instructions:

1. Cut three strands of wire large enough to fit around your wrist, plus an additional 4 inches. Cut one additional length of wire $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches longer than the other strands.
2. Twist about $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches of the ends together. Leave the longer strand extended 1". Roll this piece around a pen to form a loop.
3. Wrap the end of the long strand tightly around the base of the loop to cover the other loose ends and to hold the loop closed. Clip any extra wire from the wrapped strand.
4. Slide beads onto one of the strands of wire, using as many beads as you want. Twist the remaining strands together around the beads leaving 2 inches at the end of the strands.
5. Twist the wire ends tightly for about $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches of the remaining wire, fold tightly at center of twisted end area, bend to form a hook. Wrap one of the remaining wire ends tightly around the base of the hook to secure the hook then cut off remaining wires.

