

Supplies:

Chipboard loom
Yarn assortment
Tape
Plastic Needle
Scissors

Loom Weaving



These instructions are based on the cardboard mini-loom instructions from The Met. Your loom is provided in your kit, so you can follow along from the part where you thread the loom.

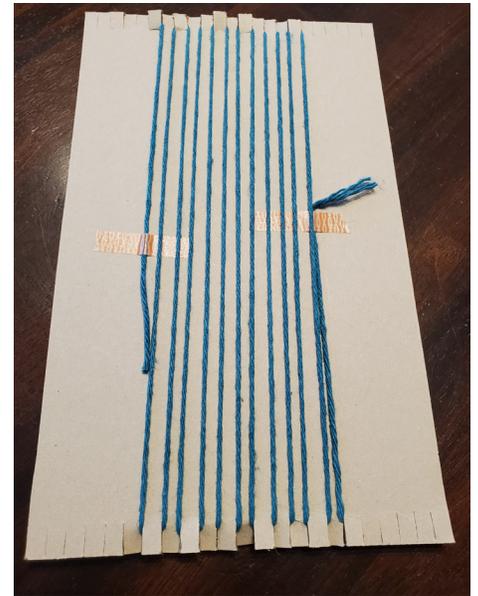
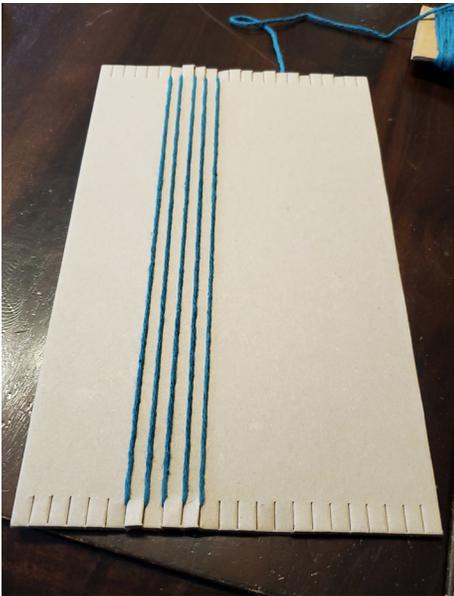
Please complete with parent supervision.

You can view the fun video tutorial at <https://www.metmuseum.org/metmedia/video/metkids/metkids-create/weave-on-a-mini-loom>

Prepare your loom by opening up the slits at the top and bottom of loom.



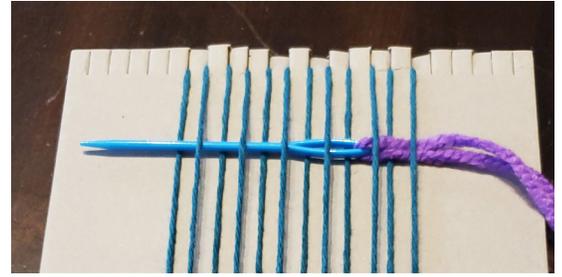
Thread Your Loom



1. Tape the yarn on the back of the loom, under the first slit
2. Turn your loom to the front and thread the yarn through the first slit at the top, then the first slit at the bottom.
3. Turn your loom to the back and thread the yarn through the next slit at the top.
4. Turn your loom to the front and thread the yarn through the second slit at the bottom.
5. Continue to thread the yarn like this through the rest of the slits. Continue to desired length. Have an even number of threads on the front of the board.
6. When you've finished, cut the yarn and tape the loose end on the back.
7. This lengthwise, up-and-down thread is called the warp.

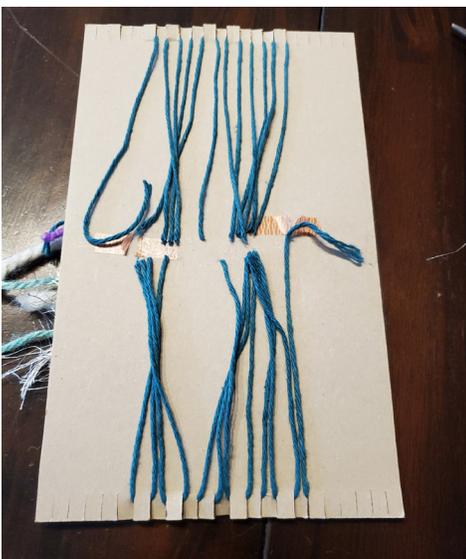
Weave

1. Thread the yarn through the needle. Start with a piece of yarn no longer than a yard. It might be helpful to tie it to the needle
2. This horizontal, left-to-right, right-to-left yarn is called the weft.
3. On the front of the loom, start weaving the weft under the first warp on the left and over the second warp, then under and over until you reach the right end.



4. Pull the weft yarn all the way through, but leave a tail (about 3 inches, or 7.5 cm) on the left side.
5. Loop the needle under the last warp on the right, so it catches. Then weave it over and under all the way to the left side. Pull the weft yarn all the way through, but not so tight that you pull the warp threads together.
6. Push the second row of weft tightly against the first.
7. Continue to weave the weft back and forth, under and over the warp, and push each row of weft tightly against the rest. Don't pull too much in order to keep an even weave throughout your weaving.
8. When you'd like to change colors, cut the weft yarn, leaving a tail (about 3 inches, or 7.5 cm).
9. Begin the new weft color where you left off and continue to weave.
10. Add as many colors as you like.
11. Once you fill the loom, cut the last row of weft yarn, leaving a tail (about 3 inches, or 7.5 cm).
12. Thread the loose tails into the looped ends of the weft and cut any extra yarn that sticks out.

Remove Your Weaving



1. On the back of the loom, remove the tape from the ends and cut the warp in the middle.



2. Turn the loom to the front and pull two adjacent warp yarns from the slits and knot them together.

3. Repeat with each pair of warp yarns to remove the weaving from the cardboard loom. Cut any loose ends on the side after they have been threaded through the weft on the sides

4. Tie off the top in the same manner as the bottom.



5. To create a hall hanging, get a stick from outside, turn over, and double knot again toward the weaved piece.



6. You have a wall hanging to keep or give as a gift!

