Weaving – straw weaving to make a chunky bangle

Weaving is a technique to explore using wool and straws to make a bangle.

Here's what to do:

3 straws of the right length for your wrist (eg. shorter straws for smaller wrists).

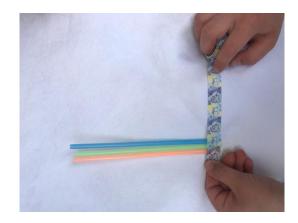
Tape the ends of the straws together to hold them in place. $\boldsymbol{\vee}$



Cut three pieces of yarn that are roughly double the length of the straws and thread each piece through a straw. At one end, tie all three strands together in a knot \rightarrow





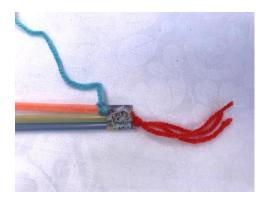


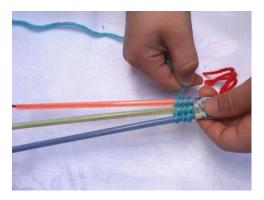


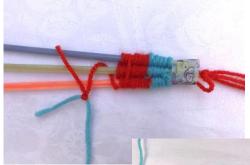
Choose a colour of yarn that you would like to begin weaving with. Tie it to the first straw using a double knot to hold it in place.

Begin weaving in an under & over pattern. Over the first straw, under the next, back over the next. When going in the opposite direction, make sure to do the opposite pattern to the one before it. When you have woven enough of one colour, tie on your next coloured piece of yarn and continue.

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At the end of the straws, wrap the yarn around the end of the straws and make a loop. Pull the end of the yarn through the loop to make a knot.

Pull tight and double knot it to tie it off. Carefully, push your weaving up to reveal the straws and begin to slide the straws completely out.

Push the weaving up tight and straighten it up as needed. Tie the bangle onto your wrist and trim the left-over yarn.

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