

Bead Fun for Little Hands!

Three super-easy bead crafts - just for kids!

Yay, let's make pretty things with beads! No tricky tools, no hard steps - just big colorful beads and your imagination. (Scissors are a grown-up's job!)

■ Rainbow Bracelet

You need: Colorful pony beads, stretchy elastic cord, tape. Grown-up: scissors!

1. Wrap the cord around your wrist, then cut it a little LONGER. Ask a grown-up to do the cutting!
2. Tape one end of the cord to the table so your beads don't slide off.
3. String your beads in a rainbow: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple!
4. Keep going until it fits comfy around your wrist.
5. Ask a grown-up to tie a tight double knot. Trim the extra cord.
6. Slide it on, give a wiggle, and show everybody!

■ Beaded Bookmark

You need: A long ribbon and lots of pony beads. Grown-up: scissors!

1. Cut your ribbon as long as your arm (grown-up cuts!).
2. Tie a big knot at one end of the ribbon.
3. String on your favorite beads - any pattern YOU like!
4. Tie another knot at the top so the beads stay put.
5. Tuck it into your book. Happy reading!

■ Wiggly Bead Worm

You need: 1 pipe cleaner and a handful of pony beads.

1. Curl one end of the pipe cleaner into a tiny loop so beads stay on.
2. String on lots of colorful beads - stripes, rainbows, any pattern!
3. Curl the other end into a loop too, so nothing slides off.
4. Bend your worm into a wiggly S shape.
5. He wiggles! Give him a name!

You did it, little artist! Show off your bead treasures!