Ages 6 to 96

Why Knots?

Try tying knots in your ribbon to hold your beads in place. Knots can also be used as a decorative accent to your jewelry.

## Bracelets

- Wrap a necklace around your wrist a few times and wear it as a bracelet.
- You can also measure the ribbon to fit around your wrist, leaving enough extra ribbon for adding your clasps.
- If you don't want to use the clasps, leave enough extra ribbon to tie your bracelet into a bow.

Save any extra pieces for touch-up and repair.



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Your kit includes enough materials to make 4 necklaces. Or you can make a combination of necklaces and bracelets.

It's up to you!

#### A note to parents -

Stringing beads and creating jewelry is a great way to practice fine motor skills. When adding the clasps, beads and pearls included, your child will need to use the plastic needle. Depending on their age and skill level, they may need a little help with this step.

# Getting Started

- To make a necklace, select one silver cord, one white ribbon and one color ribbon.
- Using your plastic needle as shown, thread your cords through one half of the clasp. It should go inside the narrow end, and come out the wide end.

secure the knot.





• Decide on a pattern for your necklace. For ideas, refer to the pictures on the box.

### Stringing vour Beads

When creating your jewelry, you can use the pearls as spacer beads.

Notice that the other beads include jump rings for easy stringing. Be sure the gap of the jump ring is tightly closed so the beads do not fall off.

When you are finished, attach the other half of the jewelry clasp in the same way you attached the first side.

To close the clasp, snap both sides together. To open, hold both sides and bend at the seam to snap open.



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## Make a Pendant Necklace

- Bead half of your necklace.
- When you reach the middle of your ribbon, thread on a dolphin and clam shell bead as shown in picture A.
- Pull the needle back though the dolphin bead as shown in picture B.
- Tie a knot to secure as shown in picture C.
- Finish beading the rest of your necklace and attach the other side of the clasp.

Try making a pendant using other beads if you like.