

Paper Bead Bracelet

Instructions via: <https://www.thriftyfun.com/Paper-Bead-Bracelet-1.html>



Supplies:

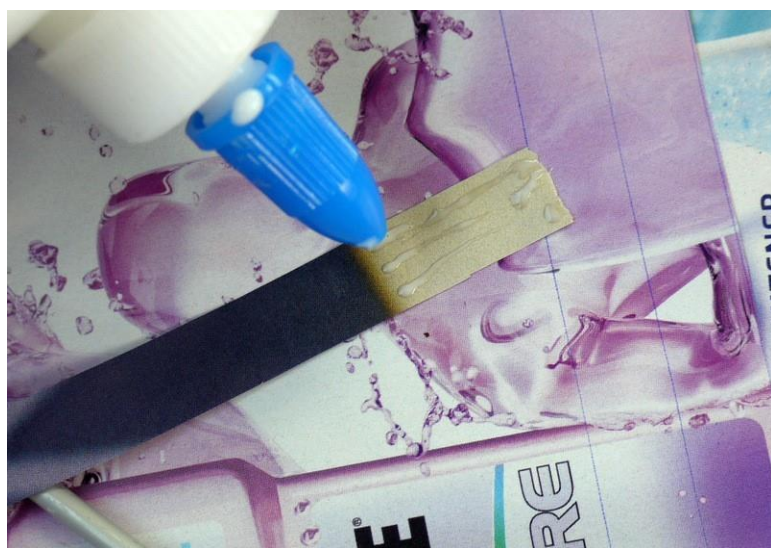
- colourful glossy paper (The library has provided Marvel Superhero wrapping paper.)
- PVA glue
- 1 knitting needle (The library has provided a chopstick.)
- scissors
- 1 ruler to measure
- pen or pencil
- string or cord
- 1 fastener

Steps:

1. Choose your paper. It is best to choose pages from the same magazine so that your strips of paper are the same thickness and length.
2. Decide what length you want each bead to be. Measure and mark accordingly. I made mine 1cm each.
3. Do the same along the opposite edge and use your ruler to join them up. Then cut along the lines to form strips of paper.



4. Remember when choosing your page, that only one end of the strip will show so it doesn't matter what is on the rest of the paper.
5. Apply glue to the wrong side of one end.



6. Stick this to your knitting needle (chopstick) and wind it up. I would recommend a thickness of between 2mm – 4mm.



7. Stick down the other end with more glue.



8. Slide the bead off the needle and leave to dry.



9. If the bead unwinds a bit when you slide it off, just gently press it back in.



10. Use a piece of cord or string to measure your wrist and use this to work out how many beads you need.



11. Arrange your beads in order.

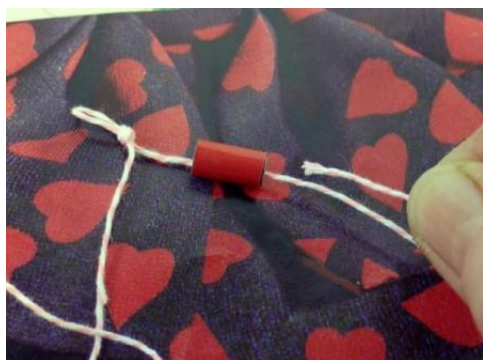


12. Now you will need to cut a piece of string or cord to use for assembling your bracelet. You could just guess, but this could cause frustration if you get to the end and there is not quite enough. To calculate how much you will need, double the measurement of your wrist (A). Then double the length of a bead and multiply this by the number of beads you are using (B). Add $A+B$ then add another 12 inches or so.

Now take your length of cord and double it up. Tie a knot near the end to form a loop. Thread your first bead onto one end.



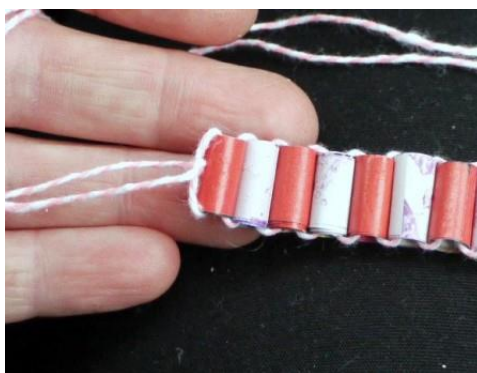
13. Thread the other end through the same bead in the opposite direction.



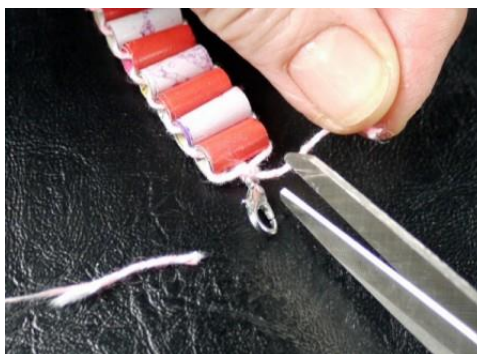
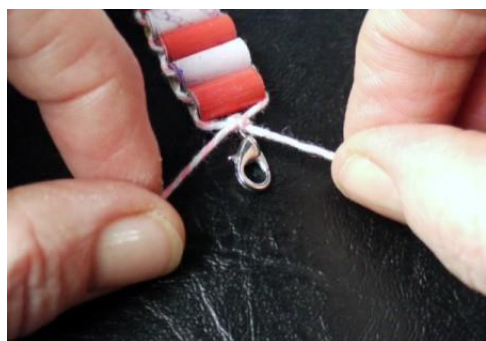
14. Repeat this with every bead.



15. When you have used up all your beads, tie a double knot at the end.



16. Tie your fastener on tightly and snip the ends close.



17. Use a little PVA glue to ensure the knot doesn't work loose.



18. Fasten together using the loop at the other end.



The end.