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PAPER BEAD BRACELET

SUPPLIES & TOOLS

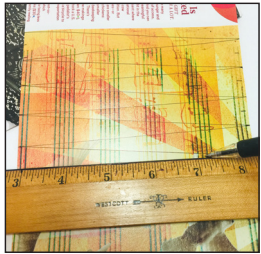
- Paper Scraps – magazines, wrapping paper, candy wrappers, etc.
- Glue Stick #30033570 or Tacky Glue #1360916
- Varnish - Glossy #30119192
- Beads – for stringing between paper beads
- Stretchy Cord Elastic #30004180 or other bead stringing material

TOOLS:

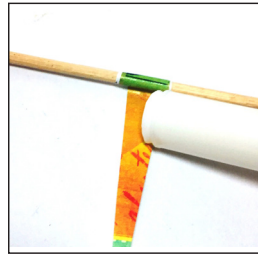
- Bamboo skewer, toothpicks, etc. for rolling beads
- Pen and ruler
- Scissors
- Small paint brush for varnish



INSTRUCTIONS



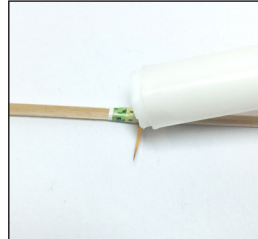
1. Take a magazine page. Use the pen to draw elongated triangles about 3/4 in. at the widest end and 3 - 4 in length. Experiment with the lengths and the beginning widths of the triangles to get different shapes and sizes of beads. The longer you make the strips, the thicker your bead will be.



5. Carefully roll the strip around the stick, keeping the paper centered. Add a little glue every so often.



2. Cut the triangle strips apart.



6. When you get to the pointed end, make sure you add enough glue to secure the tip down.



3. Trim the corners on the wider end of the strips.



7. Add a coat of varnish on the outside of the bead to make it more durable. Make sure the varnish does not get on the stick or your bead will end up glued to the stick. Let dry.



4. Take the widest end of the strip and wrap around a bamboo skewer or toothpick. Add a little glue to hold it in place. Make sure you do not get glue on the stick so the bead will be able to slide off later.



8. When the beads are dry, string them onto the stretchy cord or other stringing material, alternating with other beads to make a bracelet or necklace. They are great for earrings, too, since they are so lightweight.

