Peg Loom Instructions

Terminology: the yarn threaded through the pegs is called the **warp**. The yarn woven between the pegs is called the **weft**.

1. Determine the length of your project (example: 12”). Double this number (example: 24”), and then add 6-8 extra inches for tying and fringe. (example: 30-32”). Cut 7 pieces of **warp** yarn to this length and thread one piece through each peg, pulling to make the yarn equal lengths on either side of the peg.

2. Loosely tie the warp together in two sections, using a knot you can easily remove.

3. To begin weaving, tie the **weft** yarn to the first peg on the left.

4. As illustrated above, run the weft through the pegs alternating in front of and behind each peg.

5. When you reach the end of the row, run the weft around the right side peg.

6. Weave back towards the left, this time running the weft on the opposite side of each peg as shown above. You’re officially weaving!

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7. To change colors (if desired) cut your weft and tie on another color yarn.
8. When your woven piece is about one inch from the top of the peg it is time to slide your weaving onto the warp. Carefully lift the left side peg out of the hole. The woven piece will remain on the warp yarn. Place the peg back in the hole.
9. Repeat step 8 across the rest of the pegs.

10. Continue weaving as before.
11. When your piece reaches an inch from the top of the pegs again, pull them out and slide the weaving down as in step 8.
12. Continue weaving, removing pegs and sliding the woven piece down the warp yarn, until you reach the desired length of your project.
13. Once you’ve reached the desired project length, cut the weft yarn and tie to the first warp thread on the left.
14. Untie the warp threads at the bottom of your piece.
15. For our project, we will be tying the warp threads to a stick (for a wall hanging). You can also tie the threads together to make fringe. Tie the warp to the stick and trim the warp ends.
16. Using your fingers like a rake, gently move the weft down the warp threads toward the stick. Pack the weft as tightly or as loosely as you’d like.
17. Cut the warp threads off the pegs. Tie the warp ends to secure the weaving. Tying both ends from one peg to both ends from the peg next to it will insure your weaving does not unravel.
18. To complete the wall hanging, tie an extra piece of yarn to the stick and hang from your wall!

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Other project ideas:

- You don’t have to use all seven pegs--use three or four to make a belt or four or five to make a scarf.
- Change colors in the middle of the rows to experiment with design elements.
- Use alternative materials for the weft--strips of recycled clothing or sheets, strips of plastic bags, raffia, ribbon, etc.
- Sew a few smaller weavings together to make quilts, placemats, or rugs.