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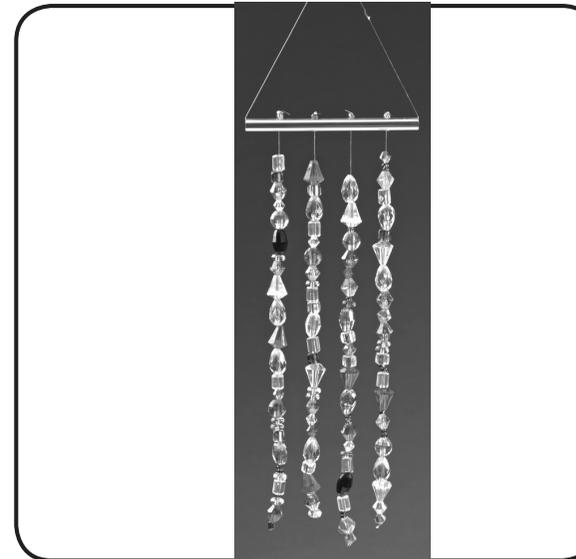
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PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE STARTING



### YOUR KIT CONTAINS:

- Metal Tubes
- Nylon Cord
- Assorted Beads
- Plastic Table Cover

**AGE GROUP: 8 and up**  
**PREP TIME: 8 minutes**  
**PROJECT TIME: 60 minutes**

### YOU WILL NEED:

- Scissors
- Tape
- Glue (optional)

## PROJECT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Each person gets five nylon cords – four to string beads on and one to use for hanging the suncatcher once it is finished and 8 small beads (4 for top, 4 for ends). Start by taking a piece of nylon and string it through the length of the tube end to end. Tape the ends until you are finished. Next, thread one nylon cord through the pre-drilled hole in the tube. Secure the cord by stringing one of the smaller beads at the top side of the tube and make a double knot so that the nylon can't slip back through (see Figure A). Repeat this for the other three. Where you tie off each strip, if you want the strips to all be the same lengths, be sure to measure before you tie the knot. If you want the strips to be different lengths, you can make the knot at different places and just trim off the excess at the bottom.
2. Now you are ready to start stringing your beads, which you can do however you want. Here are some stringing tips:
  - a. Some beads will look different if you string them in different directions. Lay out beads prior to stringing to see how you would like them to look.
  - b. If you want space between beads, loop the nylon back through a bead to make it stationary (see Figure B).
  - c. When you tie off the end, try to use a small bead like you did at the top. It will hold the knot better.
3. To finish off your suncatcher, if you have any beads left, you can string them on the top hanger to finish it. Tie a double knot with both ends of the top piece and it is ready to hang!

**TIP:** To ensure that the knots stay secure, put a small dot of glue onto the knots and allow to dry.

FIGURE A

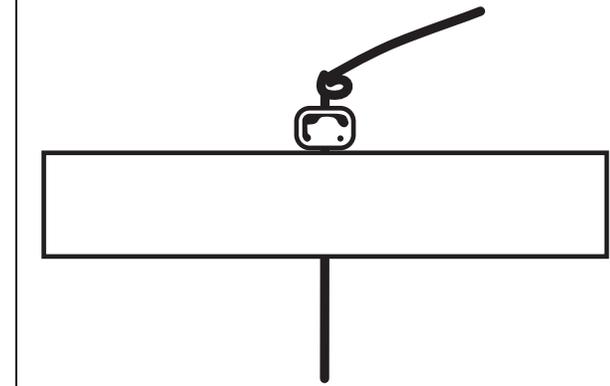


FIGURE B

