

Take & Make

Pot of Gold!

Materials Provided:

- 1 Paper Plate
- Red Yarn
- Orange Yarn
- Yellow Yarn
- Green Yarn
- Blue Yarn
- Purple Yarn
- 24 Yellow Beads

Additional Materials Needed:

- Pencil
- Scissors
- Hole Punch
- Markers or Crayons
- Tape (Optional)



Directions:

- Fold the paper plate in half and draw the outline of a semi-circle and the pot of gold.
- Next, cut out the pot of gold shape. You might need a grown-up to help with this step!
- At this point, I like to unfold the plate and color in my pot of gold and some grass!

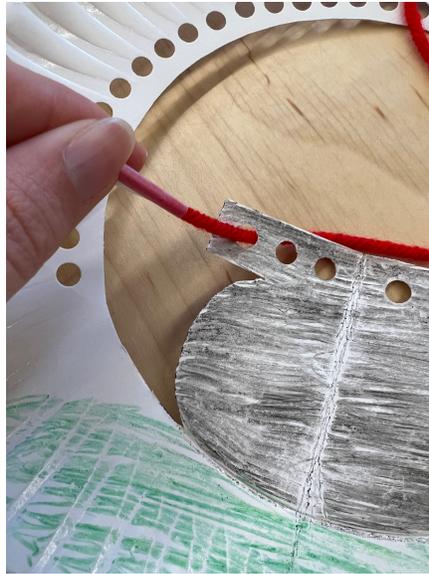


- Keeping the plate open and using my hole punch, I add 1 hole in the center of the plate. I used the crease from the fold to help find the center.
- Next I refold the plate and punch 3 holes into the "rim" of the pot and 17 holes along the edge of the plate.
 - Technically, you do not need to refold the plate to punch the holes, I just wanted all my holes to be symmetrical, however by folding the plate it was tougher to punch the holes.
- When finished, you'll have a total of 6 holes in the "rim" of the pot and 35 holes along the edge of the plate.



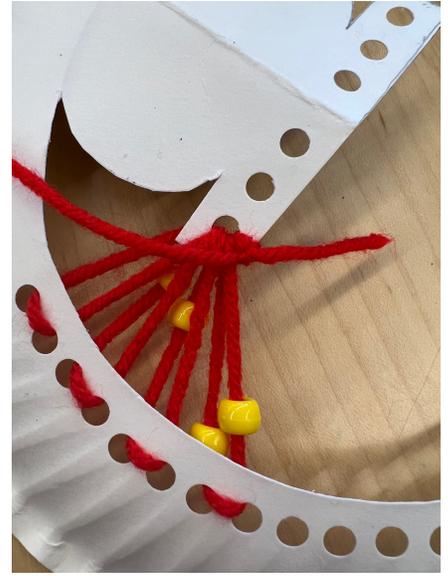
- Now it's time to begin threading the yarn!

- TIP - before you begin, I suggest wrapping a small piece of tape around one end of each yarn strand. This will keep the yarn from unraveling as you work with it!
- Take the piece of red yarn and thread it almost all the way through the leftmost hole in the pot.
- Secure it in a knot at the back and be sure to leave a little tail.



- Now, thread the yarn through the same hole in the pot, going from back-to-front. Then thread the yarn through the first hole on the edge of the plate, this time front-to-back.
- Bring the yarn back to the front through the second hole on the edge of the plate.
- You're going to thread the yarn back through the same hole in the pot, again going from back-to-front.





- Continue this process while sporadically adding beads to represent the gold!
 - You've been given 24 yellow beads - 4 for each color thread!
- The red yarn will thread through 8 "edge" holes total always going back through the same hole in the pot of gold.
- After going through the 8th "edge" hole, bring the thread back through the "pot" hole one last time. Then tie off in a knot using the tail at the back of the plate.
- You will now repeat this process with every color yarn!
- A few things to keep in mind:
 - The first hole of each color will be the last hole of the previous color.
 - The two end colors (red and purple) will thread through 8 "edge" holes, while the four inner colors (orange, yellow, green, and blue) will thread through 6 "edge" holes.
 - When threading the four inner colors, I went through some of the 6 "assigned" holes more than once to give my rainbow a fuller look.





FINISHED FRONT



FINISHED BACK

- For added fun, you could color the rest of the plate in blue for the sky or you could even punch a hole at the top of the plate so that you can hang your pot of gold!

