

PAMA @ Home Virtual Family Fun Activity Reusable T-Shirt Totes

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Reusable T-Shirt Totes

Celebrate Earth Day by making something old new again! Turn an old t-shirt into a reusable tote bag instead of throwing it away.



Materials:

- Old T-Shirt
- Scissors (Fabric scissors work best)
- Ruler
- Marker

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Step 1:

Take your old t-shirt and place it on a flat surface. Cut the sleeves and collar off at the seams. Tip: if the material isn't too thick, fold the shirt in half to cut it so both sides are even.

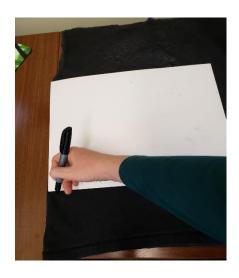


Step 2:

Decide if you would like your fringe on the inside or outside of your bag. If you want it on the outside, leave your bag as is. If you want the fringe on the inside, then turn your shirt inside out.

Step 3:

Decide how deep you would like your bag. Use a ruler to draw a line across your shirt for where the bottom of your bag will be.



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Step 4:

Cut from the bottom of your shirt to the line you made. Cut through both layers of the shirt at the same time so each fringe is the same. Cut lines should be about 3cm/1 inch apart.



Step 5:

Once the whole bottom of the shirt is a fringe, you will start tying. Take the first pair of your fringe (the top and bottom pieces) and tie them into a knot. Continue until your whole shirt is tied front to back one fringe at a time.

Step 6:

To strengthen your bag, you will now tie pieces of fringe together side by side. Start at the second fringe on the top of your bag and tie it to the fringe on the right. Repeat across your whole bag and then repeat on the back. By the end, you should not be able to see any holes between your knots and your bag is ready to go!





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