

Rainbow Seed Bead Slide

fun strands of seed beads strung in all colors of the rainbow!

Techniques:

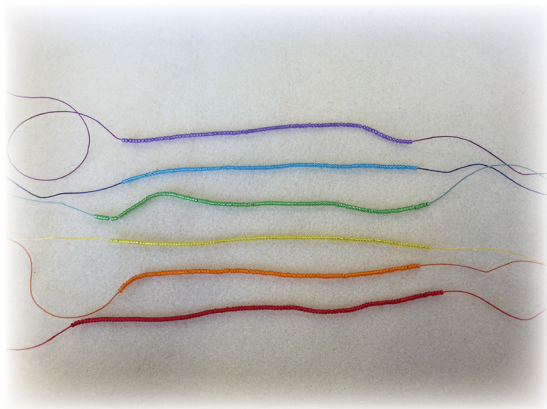
knotting
braiding

Tools you need:

sharp scissors
tweezers
bead stoppers (highly recommended!)
twisted wire needle (optional)

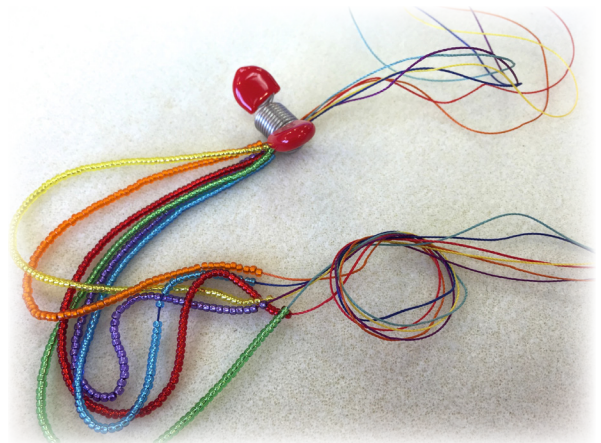
Supplies:

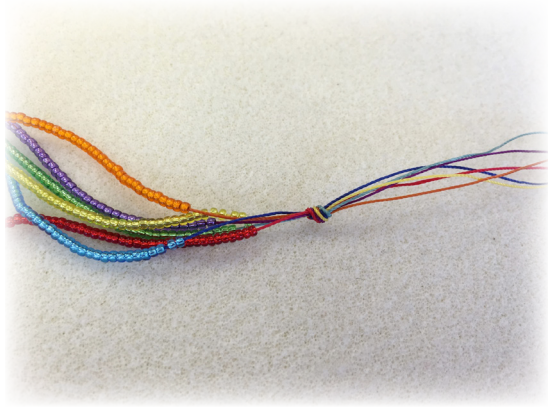
11/0 seed beads - 6 colors
(approx. 150 pc. EACH)
mini mac nylon cord cord - 6 colors
(approx. 2 feet EACH)
large hole bead (must fit at least 6 strands of cord) - 2 pc.
^these are your pulley ends
large hole bead (must fit at least 12 strands of cord) - 1 pc.
^^this is your 'clasp'



1) String the beads onto the matching cords.
The length should fit around your wrist and just touch. Make sure there is a minimum 8" tail on both sides. Use a bead stopper to hold the ends!

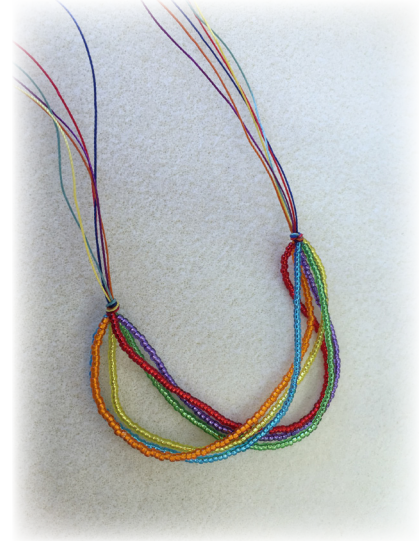
2) Overhand knot one side.





3) Pull the knot tight. Make sure you like the length, and that all the strands are the same, before knotting the other side!

4) Push all the beads against the knot, and overhand knot the other side. *tip: you can use knotting tweezers to place your second knot right up against the seed beads.

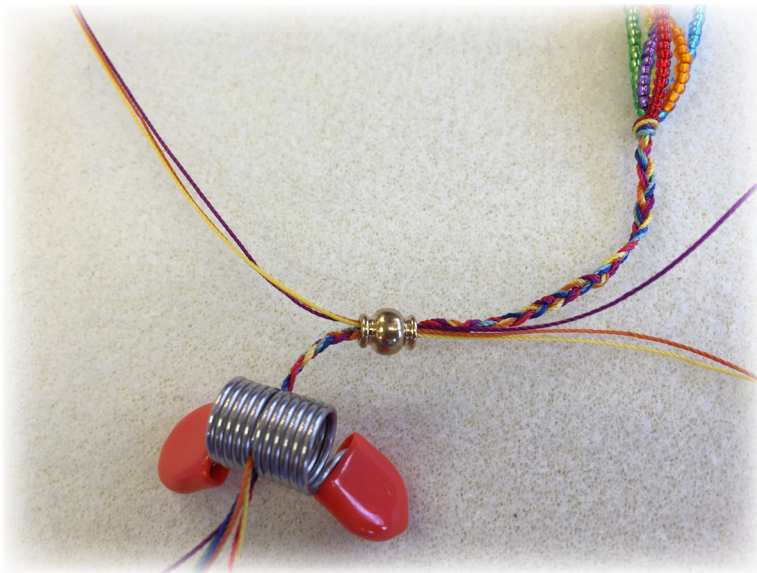


5) Divide the 6 strings into 3 sections. Do a 3-strand braid with those 3 sections and use a bead stopper to hold that end.



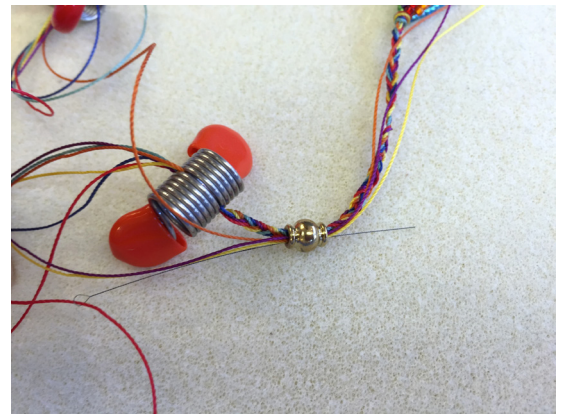
6) Slide the "clasp" bead onto the braided section and pinch the end with a bead stopper so your braid doesn't come undone.





7) Braid the other side and pinch with a bead stopper. String through the “clasp” bead. Make sure the cords cross, or make an “x”.

8) If you can't push your cords through the “clasp” bead, you can use a twisted wire needle to assist!
*tip: it's easier to pull cords through one or two strands at a time, rather than trying to pull them through the bead all at once.



9) Pull through to the braided section, moving the bead stopper to pinch the loose ends of cord, so the braid doesn't unravel.

10) String on your pulley bead onto the end.





11) Overhand knot to keep the pulley bead on - be sure to size the bracelet to fit over your hand before pulling the knot tight.

12) Option! Add beads onto the tails and tie over hand knots to end (not pictured).

Trim away excess threads with sharp scissors.

You are done!
Enjoy!!

