



Bracelets for Eid Celebration

For one month each year, some people in India fast to pray. They do not eat or drink during daylight hours to show their devotion to their god. At the end of the month they have a huge party. Bracelets made of colorful braided ribbon and buttons decorated with sparkles are often made and worn by children for this festival. Let's make them.

1. Carefully cut out the circle from the heavy tabs to make a 'button.' Use magic markers to give it a fun background color. Color both sides.
2. Pick one side to decorate. Carefully draw a pattern with pen. Use a simple pattern, but fashion it after the patterns of mandelas in our passports, or the henna designs we drew on our hands.
3. Use Tacky glue to glue the 'jewels' into places on the design.
4. While the glue is drying, take 3 pieces of colorful ribbon, knot them together approximately 2 inches from the end, braid them together, and then knot the other end.
5. When the glue is dry on the jewels, take a tiny piece of ribbon and run it through the hole on the 'button.' Tie a big loop, about the size of a quarter, so that you can run the braided ribbon through it. Knot it.
6. Wear the bracelet, or give it to a friend!