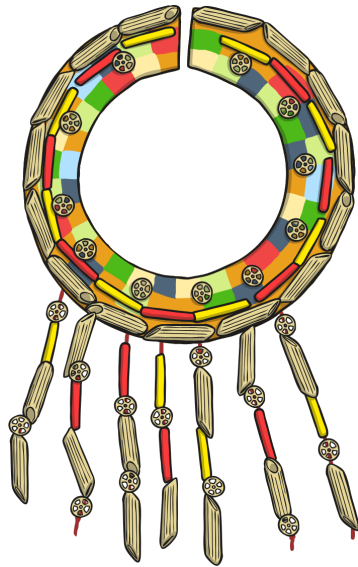


Pasta Maasai Necklace

Maasai Jewellery

The Maasai are a tribe who have lived in areas of Tanzania and Kenya for hundreds of years. They are nomadic cattle herders, which means they move with their herds of cows from place to place.

Their jewellery is made of colourful beads arranged into patterns. The colours they like to combine in these patterns are blue, green, red, yellow, orange, black and white.

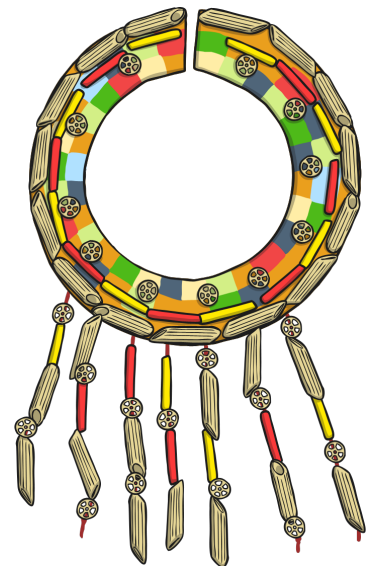


You will need:

- Dry pasta shapes
- Paper plate
- Scissors
- Pencil
- White glue
- String
- Paintbrushes
- Blue, green, red, yellow, orange, black and white paint

Instructions

1. Paint some dry pasta in your chosen colours and leave the pasta to dry.
2. While you wait for it to dry, cut a slit into the edge of your paper plate and then cut out the middle of the plate. The slit will allow you to put the necklace on and take it off easily.
3. Use a pencil to draw a pattern onto the paper plate. You can use ideas from the design on the picture at the top of the page or create your own.
4. Once your design is finished, paint it onto the paper plate using a paintbrush and different coloured paints.
5. When it has dried, use white glue to stick some of the pasta around the edges of the plate. You can use unpainted pasta or the pasta you painted in step 1 but remember to leave some painted pasta for the hanging part of the necklace.
6. Make seven hanging strings, that are about the same length, by threading the string through the pasta. Ask an adult for help to tie knots at both ends of the string.
7. Use glue to stick the seven hanging strings to the bottom of your African necklace.
8. Wear it on a special occasion or give it to a special person as a present.



We hope the information on our website and resources is useful. It is your responsibility to note that some ingredients and/or materials used might cause allergic reactions or health problems and to ensure that you are fully aware of the allergies and health conditions of those taking part. If you have any concerns about your own or somebody else's health or wellbeing, always speak to a qualified health professional. Remember, activities listed within the resource should always be supervised by an appropriate adult.