

LOOM WEAVING

Weaving can be done with many materials, so don't be afraid to grab something weird and weave with it!



Step ONE: flip your wood frame around to its backside.

Step TWO:
begin nailing nails



along one side of the frame, about $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch apart. *Be sure to leave some of the nail sticking out!*

Step THREE: now, locate the other side of the frame that is opposite to the one you just put nails into.



Step FOUR: begin nailing nails along that opposite side of the frame, about $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch apart. *Be sure to leave some of the nail sticking out!*

-You should now have nails in two sides of the frame, opposite from one another.

Step FIVE: select a thinner string/yarn



to start the

loom. You will start by tying it to one nail on the edge of the frame.



Step SIX: then you will stretch the string up to

the opposite nail and around it, then back down to the second nail, then back up to the second nail, then back down to the third nail, and so on.....

*****you want to make sure these are tight!**



Step SEVEN: when you have stretched the string between all nails and



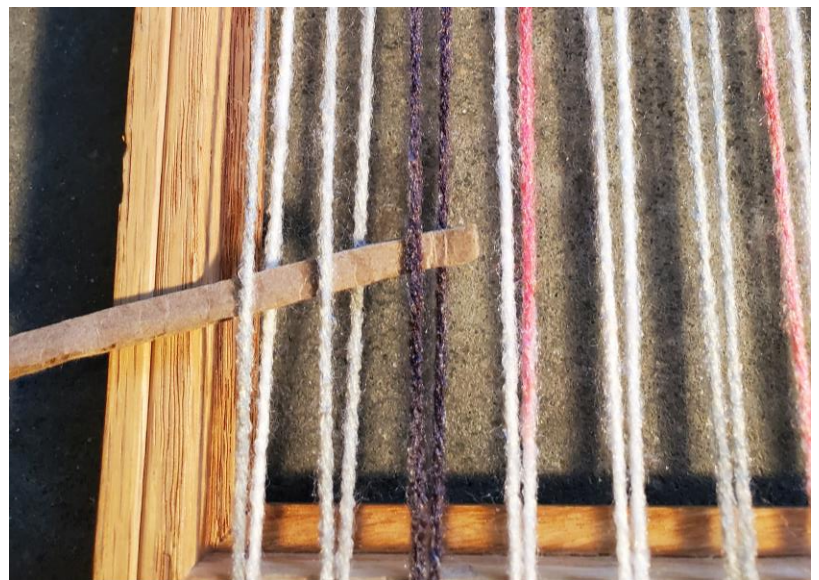
reached the other side, you will tie the string off on the last nail...making sure your strings are tight. When a frame is stretched with string, this is called the **WARP**, and creates the loom.

THIS IS YOUR LOOM with WARP strings.

NOW IT'S TIME TO WEAVE!

Step EIGHT: pick something to start weaving with...string, stick, t-shirt strip, etc. I started with a piece of cardboard I cut into a strip.

Step NINE: in order to weave, you have to take the material (cardboard, yarn, sticks, etc.) and move under one string and over the next string, in order. Over under, over under, over under. You do this until you have reached all the way across the loom strings (WARP).



Step TEN: push the material down to one edge. Now you are ready to weave again but....this time...

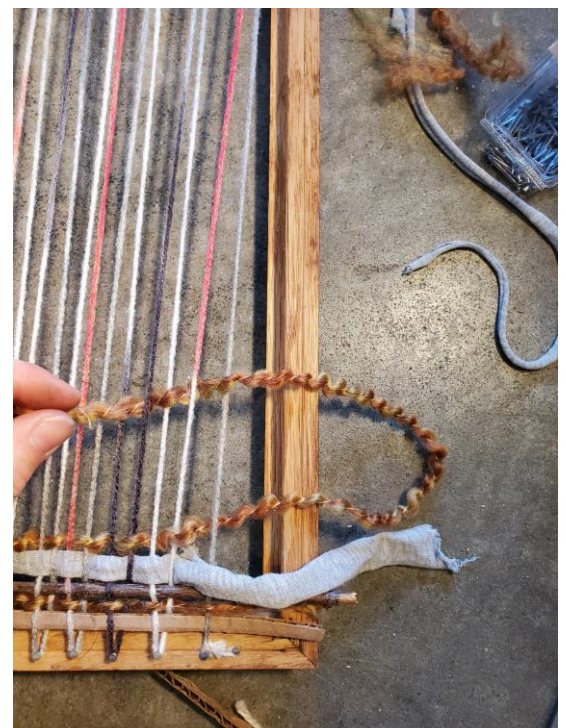


Step ELEVEN: you will weave a new material through again, but go opposite with your over and under, so it is different than the time before it. Weave, then push down.

Step TWELVE: then, if you are weaving yarn that you want to keep going with instead of only weaving it once, you will just turn the

yarn on the same side it came out of and keep going in the opposite direction and opposite over/under.

Step THIRTEEN: when you work with materials like t-shirt strips, cardboard, and





sticks, you will want to glue them down to the frame with hot glue. You don't HAVE to, but they stay better!

Step FOURTEEN: flip your frame around every once in a while to see what the weaving looks like from the “finished” side!

Now keep going until you filled the whole loom up!

