

## Week 7

This week we will make the cord and tassels. Below you see two ways to make the cord and two ways to make tassels.

If you are going to close the bag with a slide bead, the cord only needs to be a little longer than the circumference of the bag.

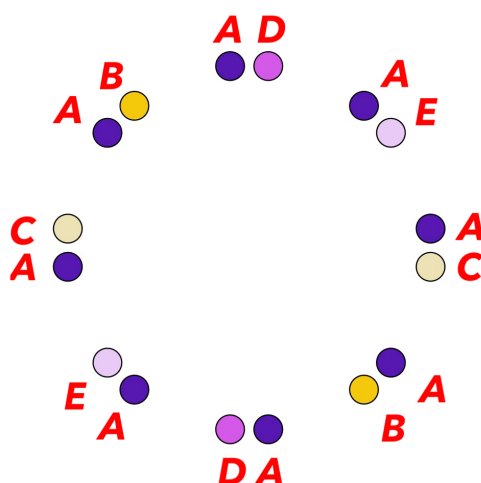
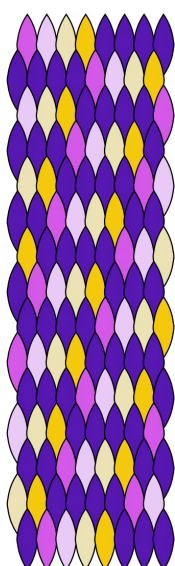
If you are going to tie the cord, the cord needs to be longer. Put a piece of yarn through the holes of the bag, tie the yarn. Then measure this length.

### Kumihimo cord

The cord can be made with a Kumihimo disc. In this video you can see how to make a Kumihimo cord. [youtu.be/ft\\_zDytmOs](https://youtu.be/ft_zDytmOs)

For a Kumihimo cord, the yarns need to be about 3 times the length of the cord.  
(Do Not fold them in half)

In the picture below you see the start sequence of the yarns on the disc.



A Kumihimo cord stretches a lot. When you are at about 3/4 of the length you need, hold the cord on both ends and pull. The cord will become longer. Pull the cord again just before you reach the desired length.

The Kumihimo cord will look like this.



## 8 strand braided cord

You can also make an 8 strand braided cord. See this video [youtu.be/kxW5MIJKeh8](https://youtu.be/kxW5MIJKeh8)  
If you never made a braid like this before, I suggest you make a test piece first.

You choose one color as the main color, you need 4 yarns of the main color. And you use 1 yarns of the other colors. So that is 8 yarns. But to make the cord thick enough, you will need to double all the yarns, so 16 in total.  
The yarns need to be about 3 times the length of the cord.

Take the 16 yarns and make a knot and then start braiding. To prevent tangling of the yarns, wind the yarns on bobbins, clothes pegs or a piece of card board.

In the picture below, you see what an 8 stranded braid looks like. Color A is used as the main color in the picture below.



## Tassel

Put the cord through your bag BEFORE you make the tassels. Once the tassels are on the cord, it won't fit through the holes anymore.

In this video you can see how to make 'normal' tassels. [youtu.be/KZ8ihSvKxmA](https://youtu.be/KZ8ihSvKxmA)

In this video you can see you how to make a 'macrame' tassel. [youtu.be/6VoBaxBK1h4](https://youtu.be/6VoBaxBK1h4)

You can make the tassels as long and as thick as you like. You can put all the colors together. Or keep the colors separated.

In the picture of the tassel below, Nelda used 18 yarns per color. She used colors B, C, D and E for the tassel and she wrapped it with color A.

The Kumihimo cord with tassel will look like this.







At the end of week 7, the round bag with cord and tassels will look like this.

