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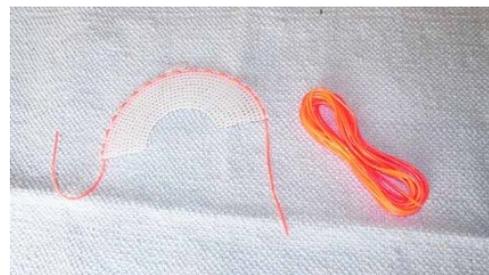
- 6 inch mesh craft circle
- star beads
- plastic lanyard cord in several colors



1—Cut 6" mesh circle apart (one circle will make two rainbow projects)



2—Begin with one color, cutting about 20" of ribbon, string, or plastic lanyard cord, weave in and out of top row.



3 —Add second color skipping a row to make the weaving easier for younger children, weave in & out.



4—Add color 3, skip a row on the mesh circle, weave in and out of row.



5—Add color 4, skip a row, and weave in and out.



6—Add color 5, skip a row on the mesh, weave in and out.



7—Add color 6, weaving some stars in along the bottom row.



8—Finally, slip star beads on the ends of the strings, lanyard, or ribbons. Tie two knots under the beads.



TIPS

1. Using at least 12 rows for the rainbow on the mesh rainbow shape cut out with provide younger children with more support while weaving.
2. Have crafters skip rows when weaving for an easier time visualizing where to pull the strings, ribbons, or lanyards through the holes in the mesh.
3. The colors could be put in order of rainbow colors (ROY G. BIV=red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet, in the actual order of colors in the rainbow). Or, the children may select colors they like.
4. Younger students will most likely be able to weave, but may have trouble tying the knots at the end of the strings, ribbons, or lanyards.
5. Tie a string at the top so the mobiles may be hung up.
6. Be practical and purchase or use available supplies. Do not feel like all the projects must match this one or all be the same.
7. Plastic lanyard cord is easiest for younger children to poke through the mesh holes as it stays stiff.
8. For this project, the weaving was down over two holes, and up after one hole. Weaving can vary.