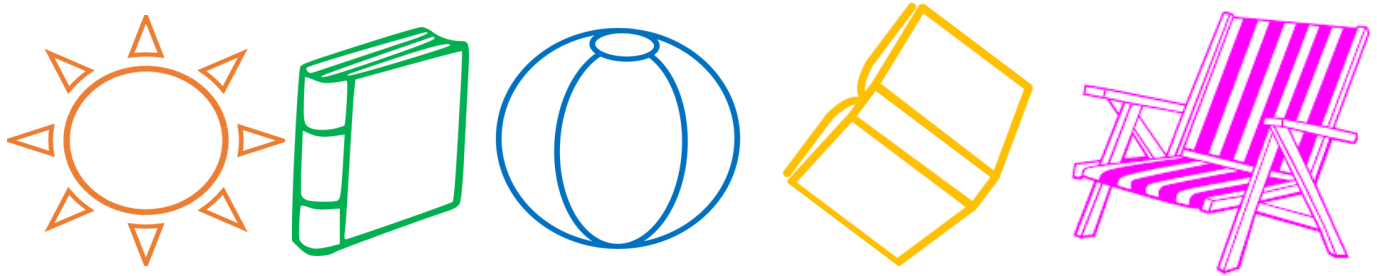


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Live Video Chat Craft Instructions: T-Shirt Totes

This is a great project, because it's environmentally friendly and gives your favorite old shirts new life. No sewing required!

Did you know that about 100 billion plastic bags are used annually in the US alone and only about 2% of them are recycled? Check it out at www.droptheplasticbag.org. Today we'll make our own reusable bags out of an old T-shirt.

Step 1: Cut Sleeves Off of Shirt



Step 2: Cut Neck Out of Shirt



**Tip: Use a magic marker to draw your lines before you cut them.
The marker will come out in the wash.**

Step 3: Cut Slits and Tie Knots



Tip: Knot these strips really tight, and then go back and double knot them. You want your bag to be able to carry heavier things— like books!



Optional:
Cut off two fringes to use as bows for your handles.

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You can make your strips really long to leave a long fringe at the bottom of your bag (but you will have less space inside the bag).

