## Craft instructions for a grasping ring with name



## Craft accessories

- 1 half ring
- 2 wooden rings: size mini without holes
- PP polyester cord
- 3 safety beads
- Motif beads as you like, here e.g. stars and dragon
- Wooden beads
- Wooden lenses
- Letter cubes for your desired name
- 1 little bell



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## Step 1



It's best to sort and arrange the craft materials for your grasping ring first until it matches your ideas. Just let your imagination run wild. We always use safety beads in our DIY projects when we make dummy chains, grasping rings or name pendants. Since you can sink the knot into it, we find it more visually appealing than leaving it visible. In addition, the knot is also protected from small children's hands.

Step 2


Now take a piece of PP polyester string and melt the ends with the lighter. This will make it easier to pass it through the bead holes. First take a safety bead and string it on. Then tie a double knot at the larger hole of the safety bead. Tie the double knot with the lighter to hold the bead in place. Sink the knot completely into the hole. Depending on the design, string on more beads or pass the cord down through one of the openings in the side of the half ring.

## Step 3



Now you can string bead by bead as you have arranged them. When all the wooden beads are strung, push the two mini wooden rings onto the half ring. Then string the cord through the opening at the half ring's bottom so that it comes out at the top. The grasping ring is now closed. If necessary, string the beads that should be in front of the safety bead. Tie a simple knot on the half ring or the last bead. Then string the safety bead so that the larger opening faces away from the half ring. Pull the safety bead with a little force over the simple knot you just made. This will stabilise your grasping ring. Tie a double knot into the safety bead's opening. Now pull the string as tight as possible to get the double knot into the opening of the safety bead as well as possible. When the knot is in place, you can fuse it and sink it neatly.

## Step 4



Now you can make the middle bead strand. Take a piece of string and melt the ends again. String the bell onto one of the two ends of the string and push it into the middle of the piece of cord. Depending on the design, string the beads onto both ends of the cord, which should be underneath the half ring. Now push the two cord ends from below through the half ring's middle hole. String the desired beads on there as well. At the end there is another safety bead with the large opening facing upwards. Tie a double knot. Pull the string as tight as possible to get the double knot as close as possible to the hole. When the knot is in place, weld it and push it completely into the safety bead. It is important that you knot as tightly as possible so that the middle strand of bead is nice and tight.

