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Bendy Bags



We are going to be making some Bendy Bags



This is a bag to keep little objects in it, with a top that bends to close up.



This is the same type of bag but for sunglasses.

What will you put in your bag?

Who are you making it for?

What would you like the bag to do?

(Complete the sheet)

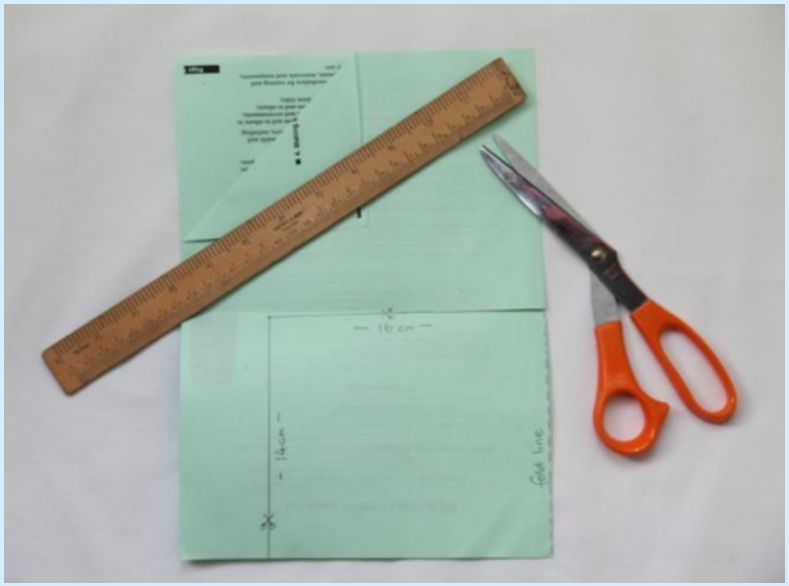
Design what your bag will look like.

Choose what is going in your bag so we can make sure the size is right.

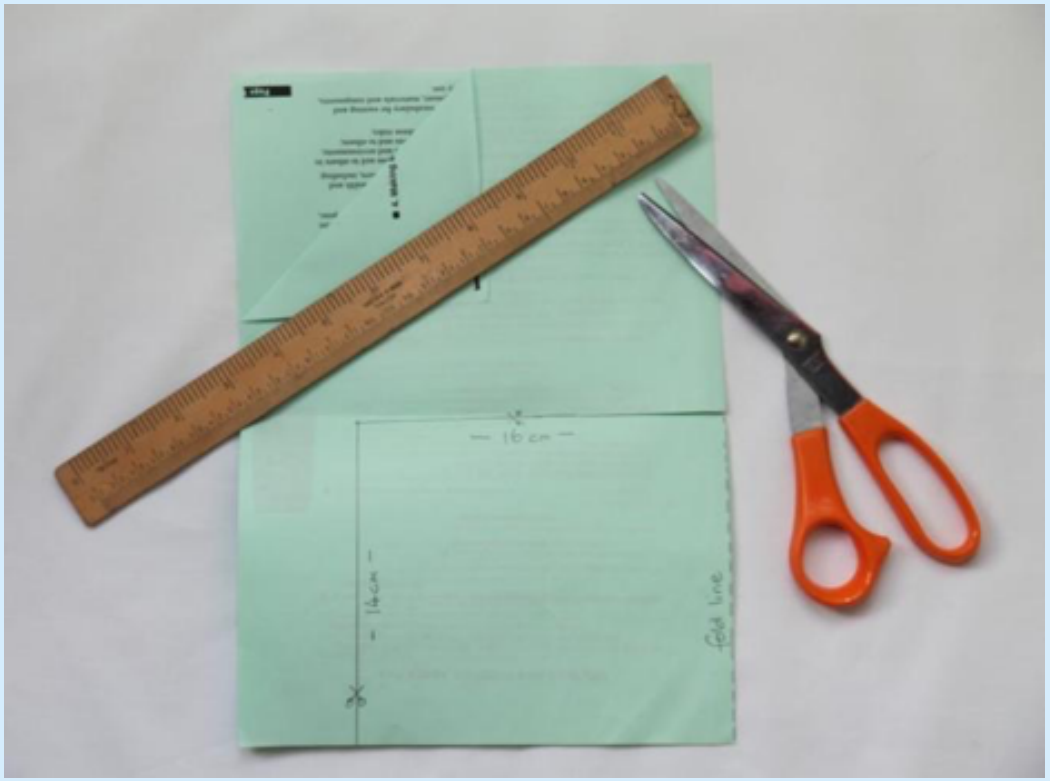


We will be using felt material to make our bags.

We need to test it with paper first to make sure it is big enough.



Fold a sheet of A3 paper and cut out a pattern or template for your bendy bag. Add 2cm each side for the seams and 3cm at the top for the channel. OR you may be able to 'cheat' and open out a suitable paper bag to use as your pattern.



Fold down the top edge of your template to model the channel, then check that your bag will be big enough to hold your things.



You will need to choose the colour felt that you would like.



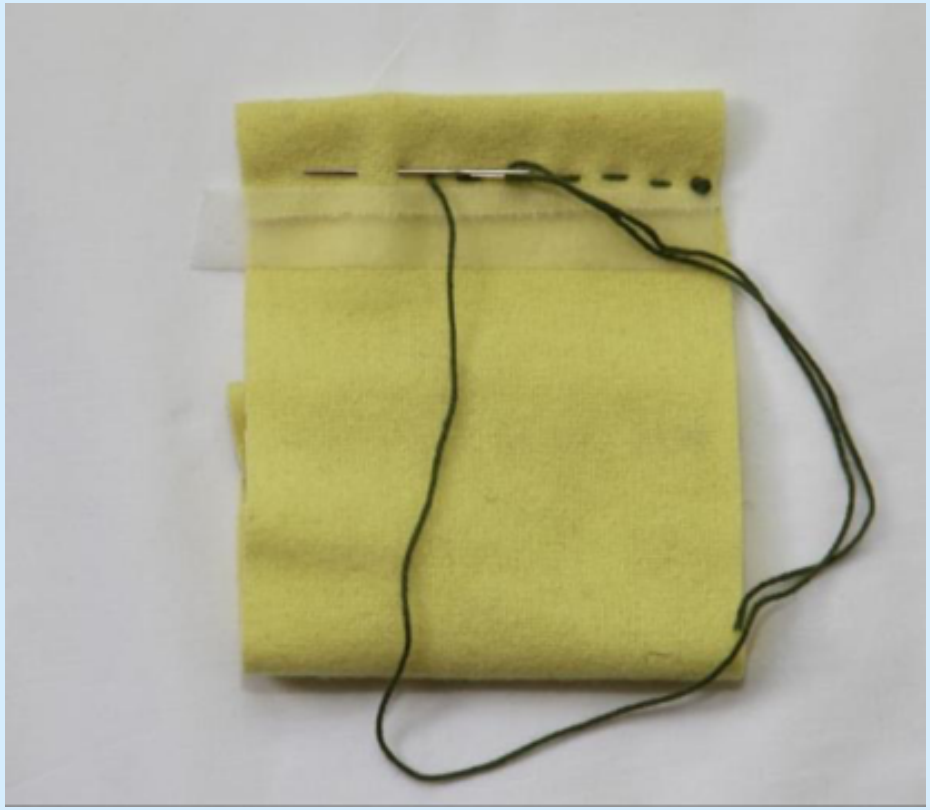
Open your pattern out flat and use clear sticky tape to stick it on to your fabric.



Carefully cut out the fabric following the edges of your pattern.



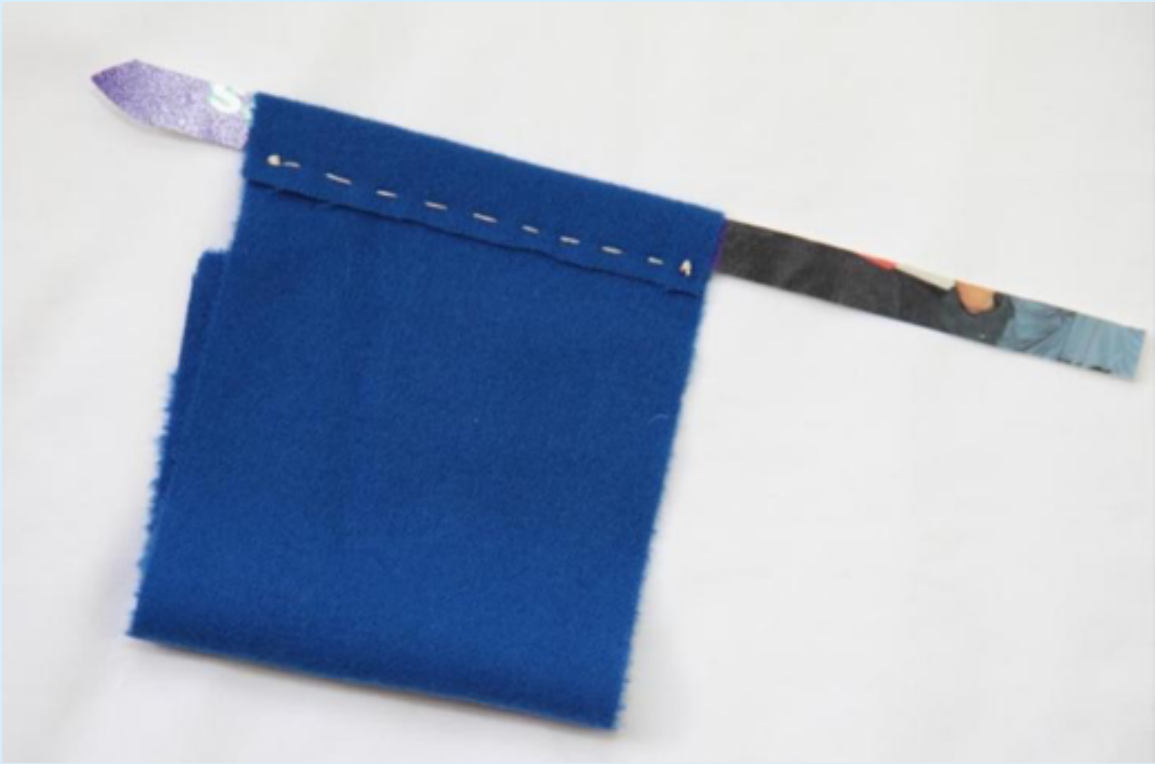
Fold the top of your bag down 3cm and tape it in place. Choose a colour of embroidery cotton and thread a large needle.



Sew straight along to make the channel. Make sure that your channel is more than 1cm wide as the plastic strip needs to slide through it. Repeat this on the other top edge.



Check to make sure that the plastic strip will slide into the channel. If you have decided to embroider or applique a design on the front this is the best time to do it.



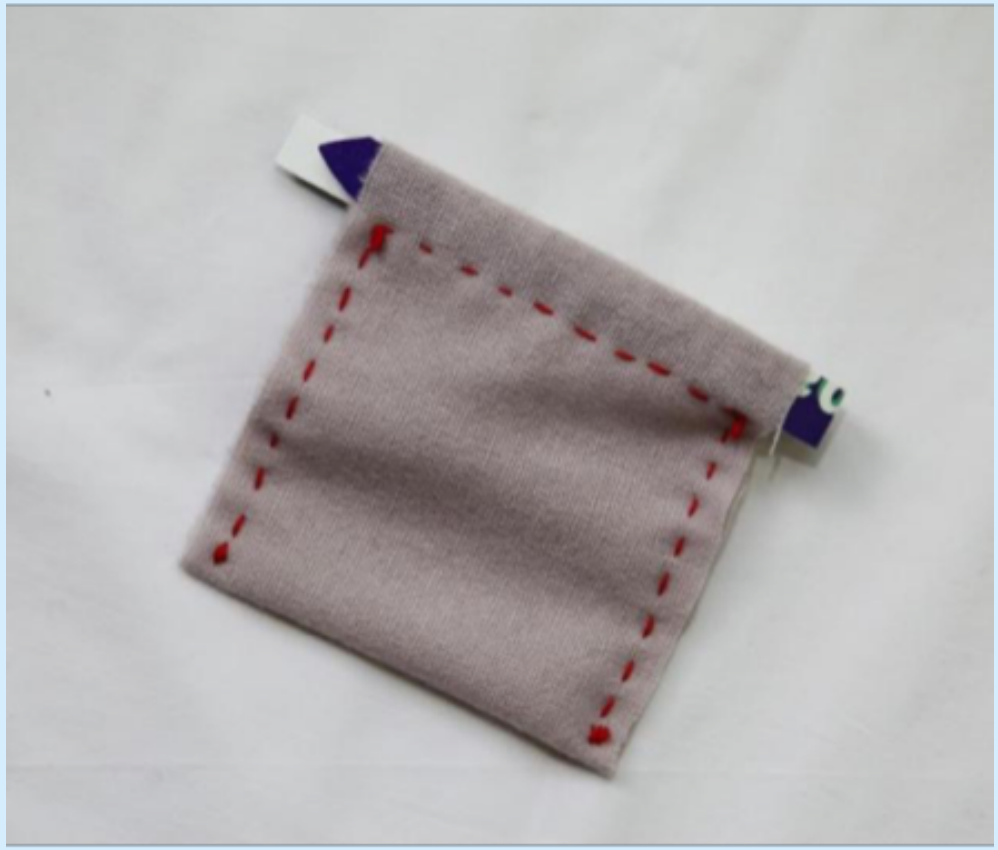
Sew up the other edges. Make sure you leave the top open



Slide a flexible plastic strip through each channel. Cut it off just a little bit shorter than the channel. OR…….



…….you may be able to find one strip long enough to do both channels. Fold it in half and thread it through both.



Your bendy bag is nearly finished. When the flexible plastic strip is in the channel add a few stitches to hold it in place.



Bendy Bags – now you can try yours out! Does it look the way you wanted? Does it hold the things you decided to keep in it?



What was the most difficult part of making your bag?

Complete the box on the tick list.