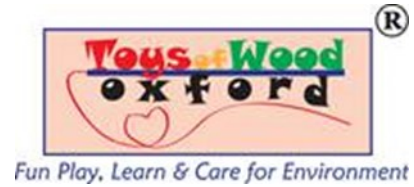


# Wooden Beads for Jewellery

## Making



As well as developing two-handed play this game gives the helper hand practice in:

- Thumb/finger grasping*
- Holding*
- Reaching*
- Releasing*
- Wrist and forearm movement*

The first time that your child plays with this toy, tie a knot in the end of the elastic or string provided to thread the beads onto. Encourage your child to hold the string in one hand and pick up the beads with the finger and thumb of the other hand.

Spread the beads on a table so that your child has to stretch out to reach them. Ask your child to use whichever hand is closest to pick up the beads. Your child may find it easier to switch hands to thread the beads.

You may need to help your child to tie the end of the necklace or bracelet that he/she makes.

Encourage your child to put the necklace over his/her head or the bracelet on the wrist of their helper hand and ask them to turn the hand palm up and down to show it off!



Although the illustration shows a child sitting on the floor we recommend doing this activity at a table. Please see the 'Set-up for Play' page of the Fun 'n' Games website:

<http://research.ncl.ac.uk/hemiplegiaresearch-fungames>