

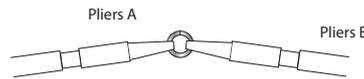
Materials needed for this project

- Links or rings of your choice
- Jump Rings
- Chain
- Clasp of your Choice
- Beads of your choice
- Headpins and Eye pins if you are using beads

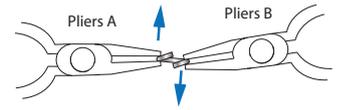
Have a look through these instructions and learn the basics first. Shaped links and rings come in different shapes and sizes, they are fun and really easy to make into any kind of jewellery. They are great on their own or you can incorporate them into any project you have, to make them more fun.

Opening and Closing a Jump Ring

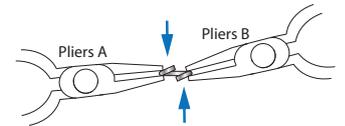
Step 1. Hold Jump ring with 2 pairs of pliers.



Step 2. Gently push the Jump ring apart, moving Pliers A away from you and pliers B towards you.



Step 3. With the pliers in the same position, reverse the action in Step 2, pulling pliers A towards you and pushing pliers B away from you.



Attaching the chain.

Step 1. Take a jump ring and open using your pliers.

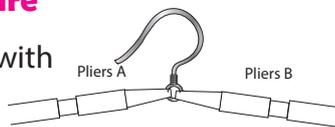
Step 2. Slide the jump ring through the last link on your chain and add a Colourful ring if you like. Close ring.



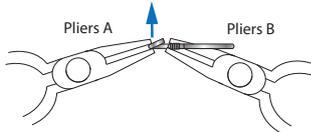
Step 3. Decide how long you need your chain and cut to length, then attach another jump ring to the the other side of the chain etc....

Opening an Ear Wire

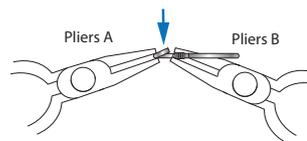
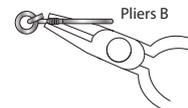
Step 1. Hold Ear Wire with 2 pairs of pliers.



Step 2. Gently push the ring held by Pliers A away from you, holding Pliers B firmly in front of you.



Step 3. Hook your Earring onto the Ear Wire.



Step 4. Holding the pliers in the same position, reverse the action in Step 2, pulling pliers A towards you and holding pliers B firmly in front of you.

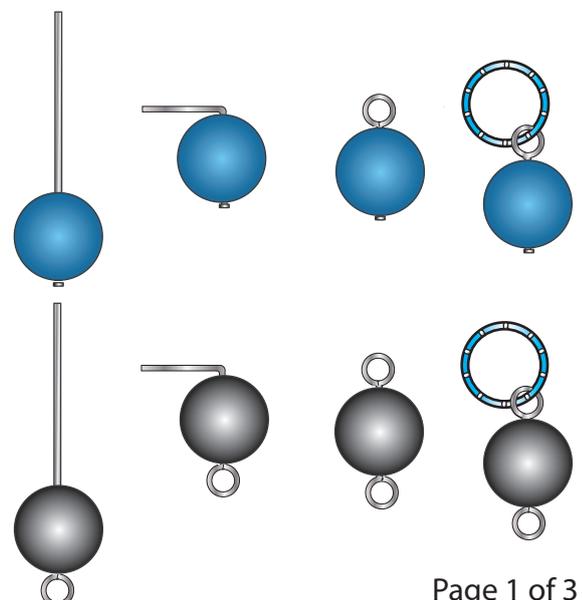
Creating a loop on a Head Pin or Eye Pin

Step 1. Take a Head pin or Eye Pin and slide on a bead from your pack.

Step 2. Using your round nose pliers, bend the top of your headpin as close as you can on the top of the bead, at a 90 degree angle. Cut your Head pin leaving 1cm.

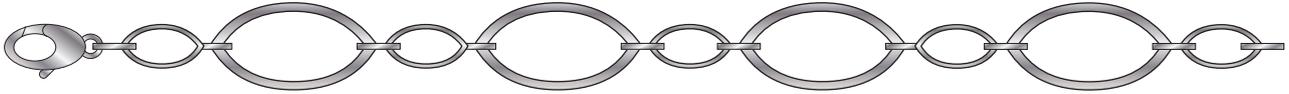
Step 3. Again, using your round nose pliers, bend the wire up and around forming a loop at the top.

Step 4. Attach your component to any of the colourful rings in your box with either a jump ring or by the loop you have created but with the same technique like you would open and close a jump ring.

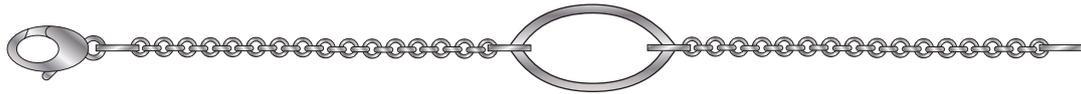


Bracelets and Necklaces

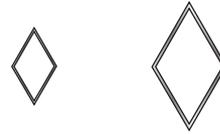
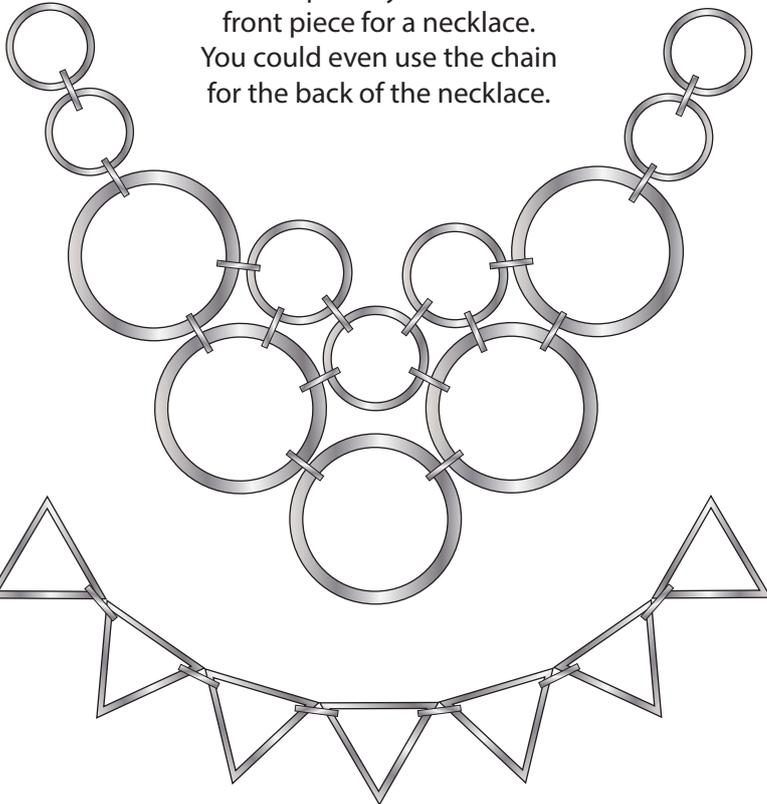
For Bracelets and Necklaces the possibilities are endless. The process is the same as for the earrings just link up your components in any way you want and add a lobster claw clasp to one end of your jewellery.



Or you could just add a larger geometric ring in the middle and cut an equal length of chain going to the back of your bracelet, finishing it off with a jump ring on one side and a lobster clasp on the other.



Try linking different sizes together in multiple ways to create a front piece for a necklace. You could even use the chain for the back of the necklace.



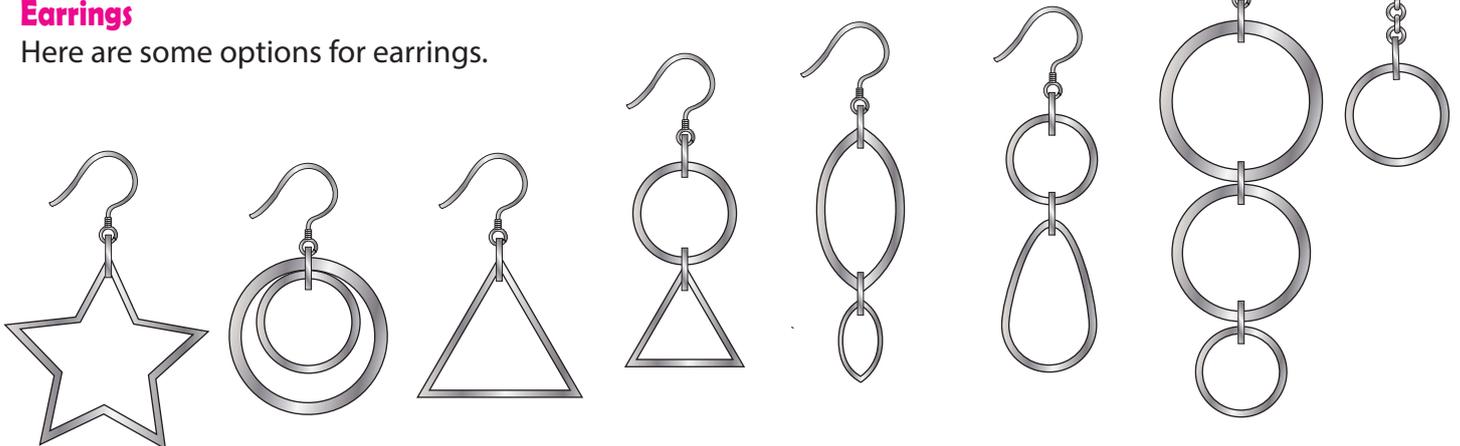
You can link up the different shapes of rings with jump rings and chain to form a necklace or bracelet. You could make each length of chain the same length or different lengths. If you make your pattern long enough you won't need a clasp, just link up the last piece of chain with the first geometric ring.



You might need to add some beads or something from your stash to the point of the triangles to weigh them down so they would always sit the right way on your neck.

Earrings

Here are some options for earrings.



Shaped Links

Using Links with Beads

Necklace

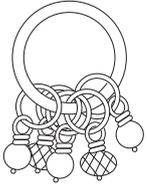
Step 1 - Take 21 Head pins and thread a pearl onto each one, then with your round nose pliers, create a loop above the pearl and wrap wire around the post. Trim excess wire.



Step 2 - Take another 14 Head pins and thread a faceted bead onto each one, then repeat creating a loop on each pin.

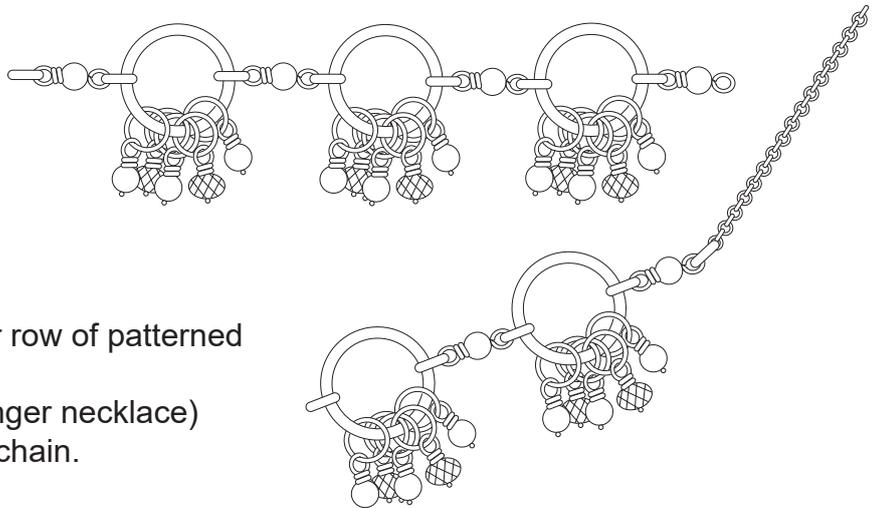


Step 3 - Now take 8 eye pins and thread a pearl onto each one, then repeat creating a loop on each pin.



Step 4 - Take 7 patterned rings and with 6mm jump rings, attach 3 x pearl drops and 2 x faceted bead drops to each ring.

Step 5 - Then with your pearl links attach each patterned ring, together with a pearl link in-between, with smaller jump rings. Make sure that the pearls and faceted bead drops are all hanging on the same side of each patterned ring.



Step 6 - On the pearl link at the end of your row of patterned rings on each side, attach 11cm of chain. (Add longer length chain if you require a longer necklace) finally attach clasp and ring to either of the chain.

Earrings

Step 1 - Thread a pearl onto 2 Ball pins and a faceted crystal onto 4 Ball pins then with your round nose pliers, create a loop above each bead and wrap wire around the post. Trim excess wire.

Step 2 - Now take 2 eye pins and thread a pearl onto each one, then repeat Step 1. creating a loop on each pin.

Step 3 - Take 2 patterned rings and with 6mm jump rings, attach 1 x pearl drop and 2 x faceted bead drops to each ring.

Step 4 - Using the open end of the eye pin, take your pearl links and attach this to each of the patterned rings.

Step 5 - Now attach an ear wire to the patterned ring.



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