

CAT WANDS

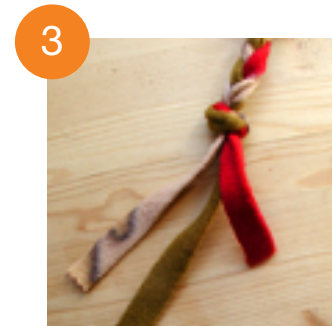


MATERIALS FOR EACH WAND

- 1 dowel (12–18 inches long)
- 3 strips of fleece (each 36 inches long, three-fourths of an inch wide)
- 1 thin piece of fleece (5 inches long, one-half inch wide)
- Permanent markers
- Carpet tape

DIRECTIONS

1. Wrap a 1½-inch-by-1½ inch piece of tape around the tip of a dowel.
2. Take the three long fleece strips and press them against the tape (photo 1).
3. Tie the thin piece of fleece tightly around the end of the dowel and fleece (photo 2).



ACTIVITY

1. Have one student hold the wand while another student braids the fleece strips. Be sure to make the braid nice and tight.
2. Tie a knot in the end of the braid, making sure to leave 3-4 inches of loose fleece at the bottom (photo 3).
3. String three beads on each loose strand. Make sure to tie a knot in the end of each fleece so that the bead can't fall off.
4. Use permanent markers to color and decorate the dowels.

