

Yarn Storage Made Easy

1. Wash and dry a two-liter soda bottle.
2. Using a razor blade or utility knife, cut around the base of the bottle. Leave an inch of plastic to act as a hinge.
3. Grab a skein of yarn and locate the end of the yarn that comes from the center of the skein. (This is the end that will allow you to pull yarn freely without it getting tangled. Dig around in one end or the other until you find it.) Pull about a foot yarn from the skein.
4. Hold back the hinged base of the soda bottle and slide the skein inside the bottle so that the end of the skein that feeds the yarn out is at the neck-end of the bottle.
5. With a finger, fish inside the neck of the bottle and pull the yarn through the neck so that it hangs out eight to ten inches.

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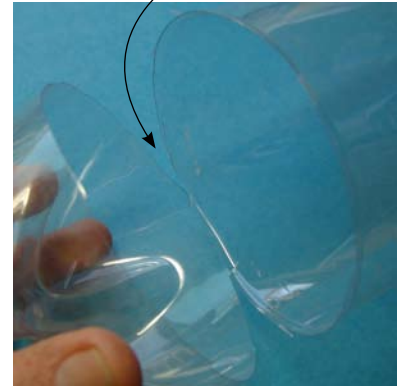


Fig. 9-12
A two-liter soda bottle is all you need to make a handy yarn dispenser.



6. Place six bottles in the kind of cardboard box in which large bottles of wine are shipped. You can find these at just about any grocery store.



Fig. 9-13
If you tie a pair of scissors near the boxes, you'll make it easier for your students to cut a new piece of yarn.