



How to Make a Face Tag Toy

Use kit materials provided by Gently Hugged and your Poly-fil to make this cute and useful toy. This sensory toy will decorate the Gently Hugged bag and help the baby develop hand-eye coordination and explore textures.



Step-by-Step Instructions

One toy requires:

Square of Fabric with Face circle

Backing fabric square

1 uniquely colored handle ribbon

4 5/8" ribbons

10 3/8" ribbons, 5 each of two colors

Each kit contains enough for 5 toys

- Place fabric with the smiley face right side up. Using an erasable pen and the circle template, draw a circle around the face. Also mark the ribbon markings.
- Fold the handle ribbon in half and pin at 12 o'clock, ensuring the cut edges of the ribbon are outside the drawn circle and the folded edge is inside the circle.
- Fold each 5/8" ribbon in half and pin at the fabric marks, again ensuring the cut edges of the ribbon are outside the drawn circle and the folded edge is inside the circle.
- Fold each 3/8" ribbon in half and pin one of each color between the 5/8" ribbons and the handle ribbon. Position in same direction as you did above.
- Using a small stitch length, 1.8mm or so, stitch on the drawn circle. Using a short stitch length ensures your toy will end up looking round as opposed to having straight edges.
- Place the backing circle on top of the face, right sides of fabric together. Flip your fabric over so the circle you just stitched is facing up.
- At the bottom of the sewn circle, underneath the face, mark 2 lines along the circle which you will not stitch, so you can turn your toy right-side out.
- Sew on top of the original stitching around the circle, leaving the space at the bottom open for turning.
- Trim the extra fabric to 1/4" around the circle, leaving 1/2" along the unstitched edge.
- Turn fabric right-side out and fill with poly stuffing until puffy, not tightly stuffed.
- Close the opening at the bottom by turning in the seam allowance and use your machine to stitch close to the edge along the open part. You can also hand stitch the opening closed.