

# Younger Elementary Craft



## Materials

- ❑ ¼-inch (0.6 cm) clear vinyl tubing (available at home-improvement stores)
- ❑ seed beads
- ❑ plastic confetti
- ❑ metallic pipe cleaners
- ❑ variety of paint pens

## For Each Child

- ❑ one colored wood barrel bead (with large hole)
- ❑ two ½-inch (1.3 cm) round magnets

## Standard Supplies

- ❑ scissors
- ❑ measuring stick
- ❑ shallow containers
- ❑ low-temperature glue gun and glue sticks

## Totally Tubular Necklace

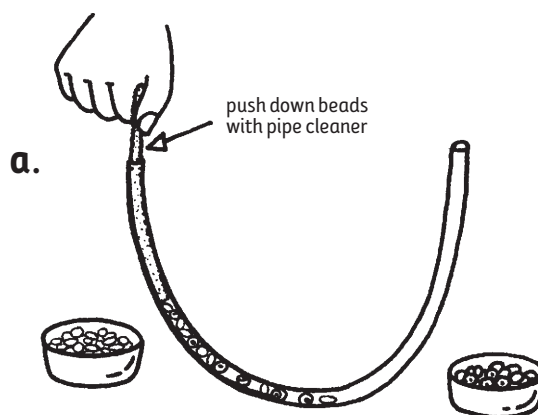
(15–20 minutes)

### Preparation

Cut tubing into 20-inch (51 cm) lengths, making one for each child. Place seed beads and confetti in separate containers. Plug in glue gun out of reach of children.

### Instruct each child in the following procedures:

- ➊ Insert seed beads and confetti into tubing to decorate necklace. Use pipe cleaners to push items through tube (image a).



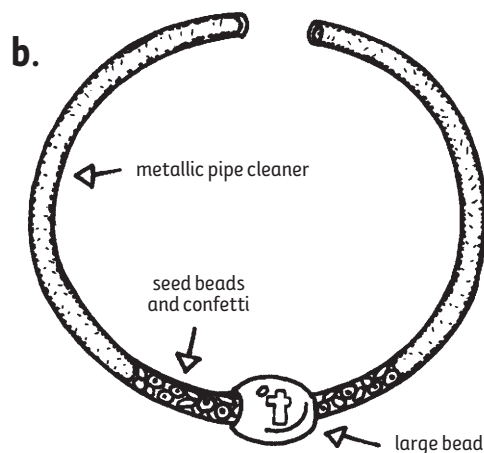
- ➋ Insert pipe cleaners into tube to decorate necklace. Cut wires into shorter pieces, if desired.



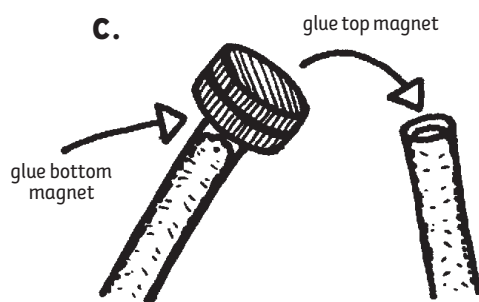
## Craft Tip

These necklaces are designed to appeal to kids of both genders. If, however, you have any boys who are reluctant to make jewelry, ask them to make the necklace for their mother or sister.

- Thread one large barrel bead onto tubing (image b). Use paint pen to draw a cross on the large bead.



- Attach two magnets to each other. With help from an adult, use glue gun to attach the outer sides of magnets to the ends of plastic tube (image c). Allow glue to harden.



- To wear your Totally Tubular Necklace, pull magnets apart, put necklace around your neck and reconnect magnets in back.

## Conversation

**When you turn the magnets the right way, what happens?** (They stick together.)

**What happens when you try to put the wrong sides of magnets together?** (They won't connect.) **The same thing happened when Adam and Eve sinned. At first, Adam and Eve were connected to God. They loved God and talked with Him every day. But when they turned away from God and chose to do wrong, they couldn't be close to God anymore.**

**The same thing is true of us, because we all sin. But God had a plan to send Jesus so that everyone can be close to Him again. Then it's like turning the magnets around so that they connect—we can stick to God forever!**