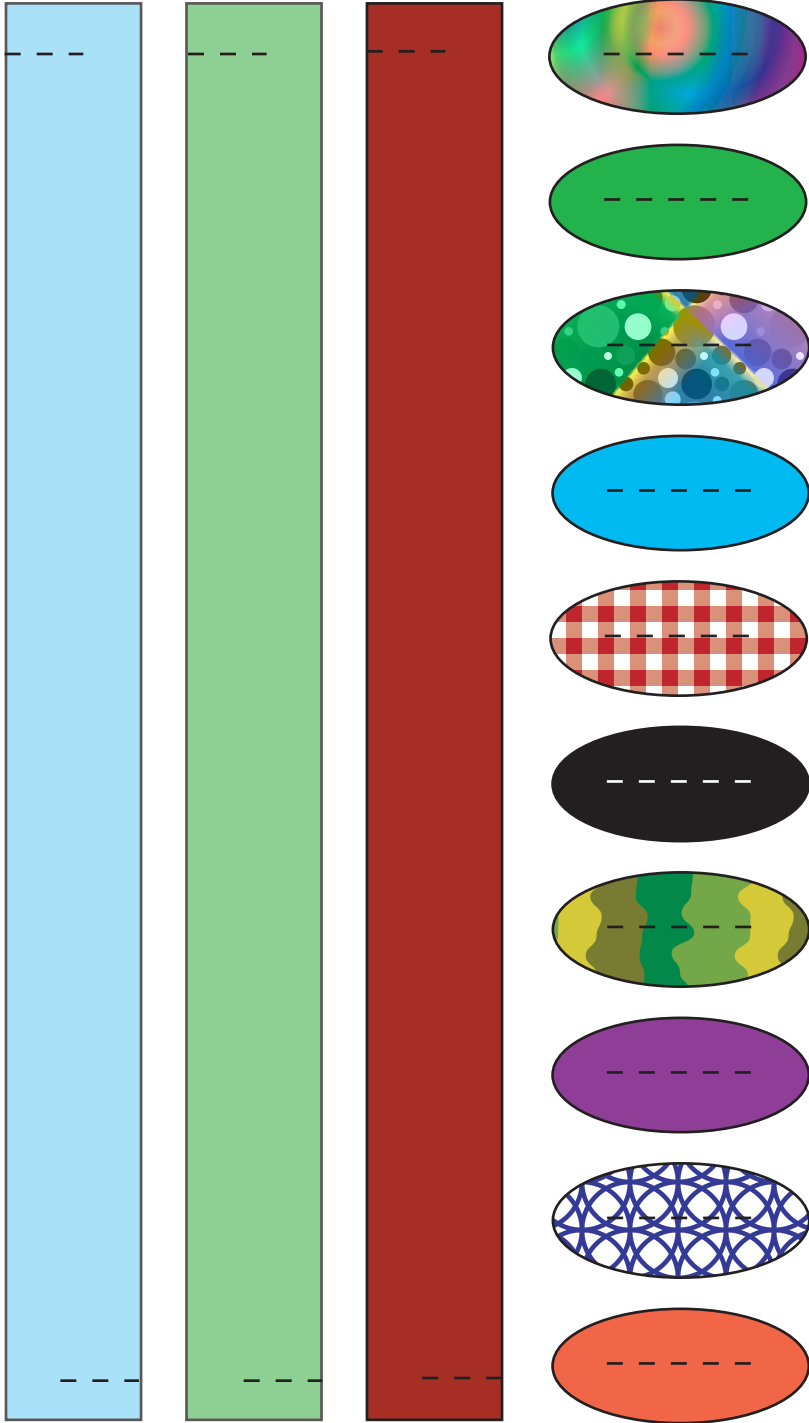


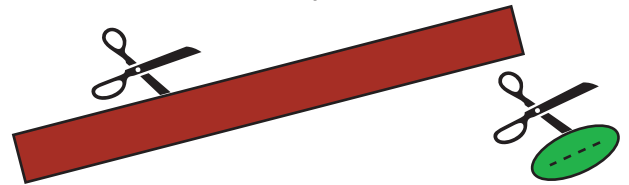
Beading Project

Beads were used as a natural decoration as far back as 30,000 years ago. Beads have also been used as money and this is perhaps their most important role in history. Various peoples have used them in trade, most notably the Africans and the Native American Indians. Beads were originally made by prehistoric people using bone, seeds, shell, and stone. Today you can find beads made from all kinds of materials like glass, plastic, bone, horn, ivory, metal, shell, pearl, coral, gemstones, polymer clay, metal clay, resin, synthetic minerals, wood, ceramic, fiber, paper, and seeds.



Directions Note: This worksheet is best printed out in color.

1. Cut out vertical strips and beads.



2. Cut the dotted lines on beads. (Hint, don't stab! Just fold the bead in half and make a small cut to get the line started.)



3. Thread beads on strips using the openings you have cut.



4. Cut the dotted lines on strips.



5. Secure ends of the bracelet.

