

# MoB MAKERS

## MAKE YOUR OWN MASK!

GET CREATIVE IN THIS MASK MAKING ACTIVITY  
WITH CHANTAL FRASER



### YOU WILL NEED:

- Paper to create a pattern
- Pen
- Old clothes (e.g. t-shirts, polo shirts)
- Sharp scissors
- Hot glue gun
- Found materials such as ribbon, beads, shells, patches, leftover craft pieces, other fabric
- Needle and thread (optional)

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## HOW TO:

1. Create a pattern by drawing a rectangle on paper that measures 34cm x 10cm for adults, or 25cm x 8cm for kids.
2. Cut out the rectangle, then fold it in half lengthways, to create a smaller long rectangle.
3. Draw a curved line from one open fold side to the other open fold, so when you unfold the pattern, it looks more like an oblong instead of a sharp rectangle.
4. Mark side slits about 1 cm away from each side for your ears. If it's too long or too short, adjust the measurements of your pattern before you cut.
5. Place your paper pattern on your t-shirt and trace and cut. Make sure you cut both layers of fabric.
6. Separate the layers and keep one to work on, the other layer will provide the backing when you finish.



7. Draw the desired artwork on your fabric to guide you as you adorn the mask.
8. Cut thin strips of T-shirt fabric and gather any other materials you wish to use as decoration. Tip: Metallic ribbon is a great embellishment.



9. Using your hot glue gun, start gluing each strip along the fabric to create a fringe. Tip: To create braiding, cut three strips of fabric, plait, then tie knots at each end or fix using some hot glue.



10. Once you have finished adorning your mask, cut your ear slits in the fabric.

11. Place the layers together and apply hot glue inside each layer where the ear slits are.

12. Your facemask is complete!



### OPTIONAL EXTRAS:

If you're handy with a needle and thread, hand-stitch the seams of the mask and ear slits with contrasting stitching.

If you aren't that great with plaiting, create a long colourful cord by wrapping strips of fabric with thread. Start by cutting a long thin piece of fabric, glue one end of thread to the end of the strip, fold the fabric over then wrap the thread around the strip of fabric (as tightly or loosely as you like) until you get the desired length.