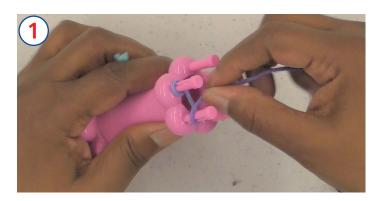
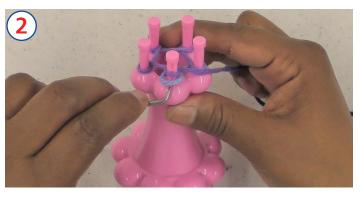
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Cast on: Grab your knitting tool and hold it so the smaller end is at the top, and thread one end of your yarn through the center hole from the top. Pull the yarn so a few inches are coming out the bottom of the tool, and hold that length in the same hand that you're holding the tool. With the other hand, wrap the top length of your yarn around each tooth of the knitting tool. Wrap your yarn from the inside hole to the outside of the knitting tool, bringing your yarn around one tooth at a time in the same direction. Stop when you've wrapped the yarn around each tooth.



Pull down on the tail of the yarn coming out the bottom of your tool to keep it tight. Grab the knitting hook. Wrap the yarn around from inside to outside of the first tooth – there are now two loops on this tooth. Using the needle, pick up the bottom loop from the outside of the tool and bring it over the top of the tooth.



Pull down on the tail again – this will tighten the loop that was just pulled over the tooth to the inside hole of the knitting tool. Moving in the same direction as before, continue to the next tooth and wrap your yarn around it from inside to outside. Use the knitting tool to pull the bottom loop over the top loop and the top tooth. Continue this process around each tooth of the knitting tool – making sure to wrap the yarn in the same direction, and rotate the tool in the same direction each time. Between each loop, you can pull the tail at the bottom of the tool to tighten your knitting.



After some time, you will start to see a length of knitted yarn emerge from the bottom of the knitting tool – you're spool knitting! Once you have at least 6 inches of knitted yarn, you can cast off. After your last stitch, take the loop of yarn from that same tooth, remove it and place it on the next loop over, in the same direction you have been working. Now that you have two loops on one tooth, lift the bottom one over the top just like before. Next, move that single loop over to the next tooth, and bring the bottom loop over the top. Repeat this process until there's only one loop left on one tooth of your knitting tool.

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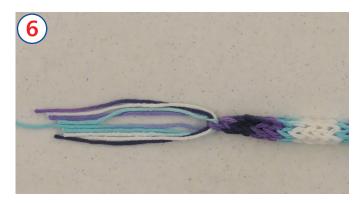


Cut the yarn so there's three inches remaining to work with, and thread the tail in your needle. Carefully, remove the last loop, and thread your needle through the loop, bringing the yarn through it. Pull the yarn tightly. Now the knitted parts of this yarn are secured.



Attach the key ring to make a keychain. On the other end of your project, there should be a tail of yarn a couple inches long. Thread the needle on to the tail and bring it through the key ring, then poke it through a loop in the end of the knitted part, bring it through the key ring again. Loop it through one or two more times until the key ring feels secure. Make a knot with the yarn and trim the excess tail.

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Decide what you want to make out of your spool knitting. It can be a keychain, a bracelet, necklace, or something else. If you want, add a tassel. With your tape measure or ruler, measure 4 strands of yarn 8 inches long. Thread each piece of yarn into the needle – you can do them one or two pieces at a time. Thread the needle through one end of your project and pull the yarn halfway through, so there's an equal length of yarn coming out both ends of the loop. Measure one more piece of 8-inch yarn and tie it in a knot around each piece of yarn coming out the end of your project. Trim your tassel to the desired length.