

# 20 DIY Jewelry and Keychains

## Location Type:

Small urban area (e.g. community space, courtyard, or mobile youth centre spot), ideally calm and shaded for relaxed focus.

## Target Group:

Everybody

## Contact Organisation:

Roter Baum Berlin

## Goals and Benefits

- Develop fine motor skills, patience, and creativity through manual art and craft work.
- Encourage focus and mindfulness by engaging participants in a calm and detailed activity.
- Create an informal environment that supports communication, peer connection, and emotional expression.
- Foster responsibility and care for shared materials and tools.

## Implementation tips

### 1. Introduction and Material Setup (0–10 min)

Facilitators present available materials and show basic techniques for tying, threading, and combining colors. Participants choose what they want to create (bracelet, necklace, or keychain).

### 2. Creative Process (10–45 min)

Participants design and create their own items, experimenting with colors, patterns, and materials. Facilitators support as needed, while allowing autonomy and creativity.

### 3. Sharing and Finishing (45–60 min)

Once completed, participants can show their creations, exchange ideas, or gift their handmade items to others. Facilitators encourage appreciation and mutual feedback.

### 4. Clean-up (60–70 min)

Participants help sort remaining materials and clean the workspace, promoting shared responsibility.

## Materials Used

- Threads, cords, strings, colorful beads, hooks, clasps, and scissors.
- Small trays or containers to sort materials and avoid loss.
- Tables and seating in a comfortable, accessible area.

## Reflection and Evaluation

**Guided short reflection** or informal conversation:

- What did you enjoy most about making your bracelet or necklace?
- How did you decide on colors or patterns?
- Did the activity help you relax or connect with others?

**Observation:** Engagement level, creativity, patience, cooperation, and respectful use of materials.

**Feedback:** Verbal group sharing – what participants learned, how they felt, and whether they'd like to try similar crafts again.

**Learning Outcomes:** Improved manual dexterity, artistic sense, ability to concentrate and express creativity, and strengthened social bonds.

**Practical Results:** Completed handmade items (bracelets, necklaces, or keychains) demonstrating participants' effort and creativity.

**Facilitator Review:** Reflection on material quality, group atmosphere, and conversational dynamics observed during the activity.