Make as many as you like, but please do not sell the instructions or the looms for personal profit, thank you very much

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Mini Purse Loom Instructions:

This is the web site that I looked at and decided that I could make a loom too. http://www.loomknittinghelp.com/intro/makeloom.html I hope it helps you too.

To make the mini purse loom you will need:

2 identical wide tooth combs with at least 20 tynes, best priced at your local beauty supply store.

2 #8-32 self locking nuts

2 #8-32 two inch bolts

4 #8-32 machine screw (hexagon) nuts

4 #8 finishing washers

1 plastic juice box straw.

a drill with a 11/64size bit

screw driver

needle nose pliers

kitchen utility scissors

a sharpie marker

(all the parts in assembly picture #1)

**Make sure that when you drill the holes you do it on a telephone book or workbench BECAUSE IT WILL DAMAGE your counter tops or tabletop.**

Lay one comb flat on your work surface. Use one finishing to mark your holes on the corner of the comb. Make sure that that the edges line up smothly before you use the marker to place a dot in the center of the hole, do this in both corners as close to the edge as possible. Slowly drill your holes completely through. Place the first comb over the second undrilled comb and use the first comb as your template for the second set of holes, as they have to match perfectly or your loom will be uneven when you assemble it.

Take your first bolt, add on one finishing washer, feed it into the first hole in your comb, add one machine screw hexagon nut and tighten. Do the same in the second hole of the same comb, making sure the bolts are facing the same way.(Should look like the assembly picture #2)
I cut my straw in two pieces. I made them both 1&2/16th of an inch long, that's one inch and 2 little tiny lines over the inch mark on my ruler. I am TERRIBLE at math. Take the tip of your scissors and insert them into the end of the straw, cutting in a straight line to the other end, do this to both pieces, this will make a nice protective sleeve to fit over your bolt threads. Slide one onto each bolt.

Thread the other machine screw (hexagon) nuts on your bolts just until they meet the straws. Add your second comb, make sure the holes line up correctly, and that everything is even, add the finishing washers-one per bolt with the flat side against the comb. Now, add your self locking nuts. (assembly picture #3)

There should be NO wiggle or give in the loom, if there is, tighten accordingly.

Congradulations, you just made a mini purse size loom!

Small Circular Loom:

I made the mini circular loom out of an empty "M&M's mini container", by first using my scissors to trim off the lid as close to the lip on the tube. I used a flat paddle bit to drill out the bottom, or you can use a hand saw and cut it.

Use a fine grit sand paper and lightly sand to take off any burs on the inside and on the outside edge.

I used a marker to decide where to place my finishing nails that I used for my pegs. Use as between 4 and 10, it's up to you.

**In order for your pegs to be straight, you need to keep them flush with the top of the tube, you'll notice that the bottom of the nails are not touching the length of the tube, it's okay for now.**

Use the tip of your scissor to clipout a small notch where you've marked your pegs and secure the finishing nails with a glue gun, do this for all the pegs.

Use your glue gun and carefully fill in the gap between the tube and the ends of finishing nails until they are covered. You'll need to do this in a couple of passes, let the glue dry between each layer.

I then got some Hemp string, macrome stuff, and carefully glued it on to cover the nails so that is looked finished, but it really makes a nice grip. See Picture #4

That's how I did it, if you make one. Send me a picture, I'd love to see it.