

## ACCESSORIES: NECKLACE MADE FROM PLASTIC GLASSES



### MATERIALS REQUIRED

Plastic glasses or bottles, a leather hand-held hole punch, chain, an oven, pliers and a carabiner fastener.

### DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY

Medium.

### APPROXIMATED TIME REQUIRED

2 hours.

### LEARNING GOALS

Learn how to use plastic as a material to make jewellery.

### ABILITIES DEVELOPED

Attention, determination, fine handling, accuracy, hand-eye dexterity.

**STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Cut the plastic glasses on irregular pieces of different size and shape.
2. Make holes on them with the hand-held hole punch.
3. Put the pieces on a baking tray. Feed the tray into the oven and the heat will twist the plastic pieces giving them an aesthetic organic shape. Be careful that the oven is not too hot, otherwise the plastic will melt (around 150°C). When the pieces have reached the shape you want, let them cool down outside.
4. Cut the chain to the desired length- chains are usually sold on craft shops or DIY stores. Open the links with a pair of pliers and set the plastic pieces in there.



5. Add a carabiner fastener in one of the endings and a metal ring in the other.



#### TIPS

You can combine different shades of the same colour to create a gradient effect or mix diverse colours.

Another idea is to add colourful glass beads in order to create different designs.