

# “Milly the Snake”

FIRST WEAVING PROJECT FOR THE KINDERGARTEN CHILD

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Milly the snake goes in and out,  
Through the forest floor she slithers about.

She climbs up trees,  
To visit the gnomes;  
Then down she slithers,  
Greeting bunnies in their homes.

Milly the snake goes in and out,  
Through the forest floor she slithers about.

At the end of the path,  
She turns around;  
Then again she goes,  
In and out of burrows

Milly the snake goes in and out,  
Through the forest floor she slithers about.

Till her new home she sees  
on the path straight right ahead  
A big mound of mud  
to rest her tired head.

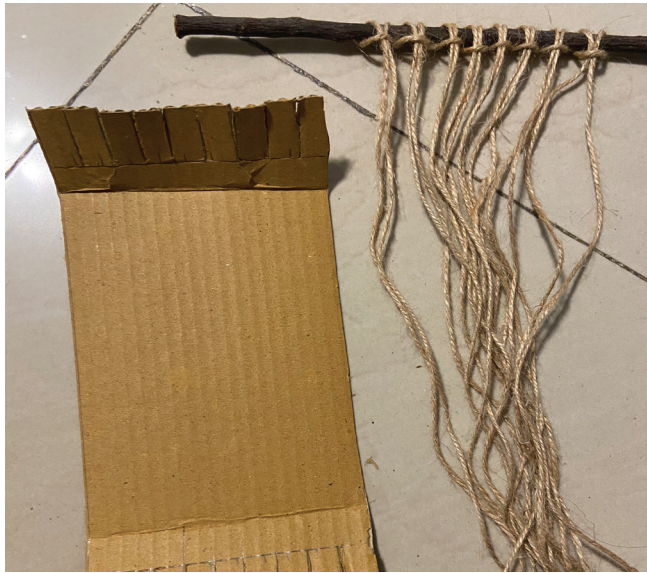
Now Milly the snake is fast asleep,  
Her slithering has stopped, she’s counting sheep,  
And she’s covered herself, with the blanket she weaved  
1,2,3 zzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzz

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# MAKING YOUR DIY LOOM

[a piece of firm cardboard (3ply or more); 2 metres of twine or rope;  
a 6" inch twig or stick, 1/2 metre long bits of yarn (6 to 7 colours) and scissors]



## CREATING THE LOOM

1. Cut the cardboard to size 5" by 9" (inches)
2. Draw a line half an inch from the bottom and top edges
3. Mark a point on the line drawn above at every 1/2 inch mark and the top and the bottom edges. You will get 10 points on either side
4. Draw 10 lines from the points to the edges and cut them
5. Now draw a line on either side 1 inch inwards from where you cut and fold to make a crease
6. Cut 10 strings each being 24 inches long
7. Attach all the 10 strings by folding them double and then looping them over the twig as shown in the picture
8. Next pass those 10 strings through the slits you have made in the bottom edge
9. Tie knots at the bottom as shown in the picture. This will avoid the warp from slipping when the children are weaving

## WEAVING AND FINISHING

1. We can begin weaving now with the colours yarn
2. Once you finish weaving, use a sewing needle and weave in all the ends and trim
3. Time to take it off the loom - start with the bottom and pull off. Next you can pull off the part attached to the twig
4. Last step is to secure the bottom by tying 2 knotted strings into a single knot. 10 strings become 5.



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