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OCTOPUS PLUSH TOY

Materials:

- Sock
- Thread
- Stuffing
- Needle
- Buttons
- Catnip (optional)

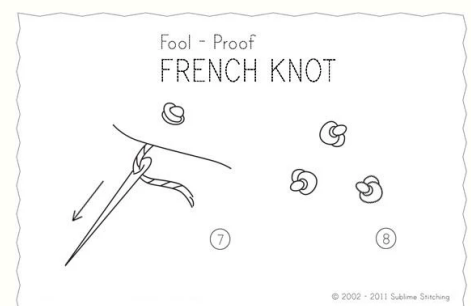
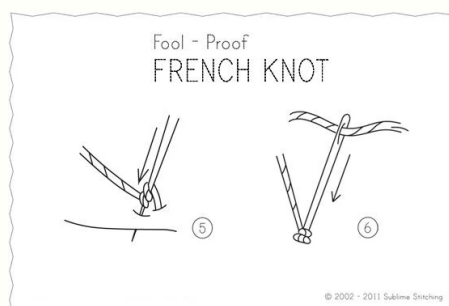
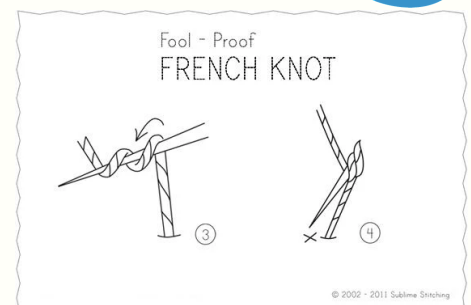
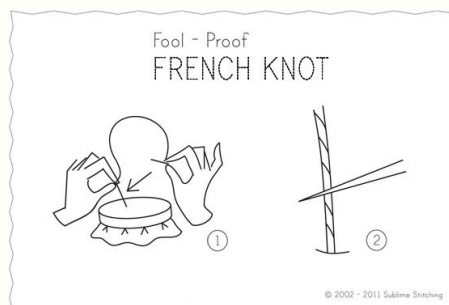
Instructions:

1. Grab a bit of stuffing and put it into the heel of the sock and gather the bottom of the sock to measure how big you want your octopus to be. While doing this, mark dots where you would like the eyes to be.
2. Cut an arch around the heel of the sock. Be sure this is a fair bit below where you had gathered the sock around the stuffing because the octopus needs its legs!
3. Without the stuffing in the sock, sew on the button eyes. Thread the needle and then tie a knot at the end of the thread. To make pupils in white eyes, you'll have to go back through the holes a couple of times to make the thread thicker or you can try tying a french knot which will make a little ball of thread (Instructions below). Once you've sewn the eye on, tie the end of the thread to secure it.
4. Now fill the heel with a bit of catnip (if this toy is for a cat) and stuffing.



5. Gather the bottom of the sock around the stuffing like you did at the beginning and tie it off very tightly with thread.

6. To make the legs, cut strips into the gathered end of the sock, making sure not to snip the thread you tied around it.





BRAIDED TUG TOY

Materials:

- 6 t-shirt or fleece strands
- Clipboard

Instructions:

1. Line all of the strands up and tie a knot
2. Clip the knot to the clipboard to hold it in place and separate the strands into 3 sections of two.
3. Twist each of the two strands together (see picture)
4. Braid the twisted strands, leaving enough room at the end to tie another knot. (see picture to learn how to braid).
5. Once the bottom knot is tied, trim any uneven strands at the end.



fig. 1



fig. 2



fig. 3



fig. 4



fig. 5



fig. 6