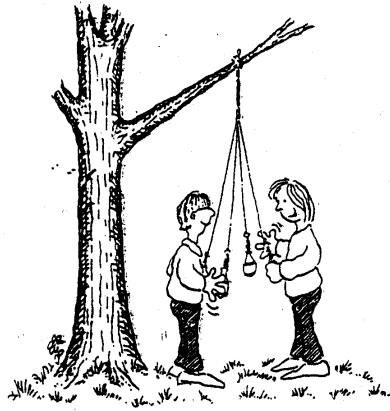
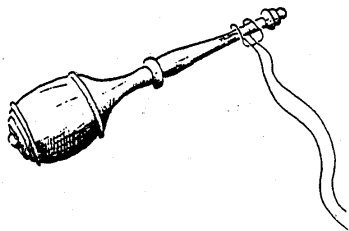


Interlocking



Materials

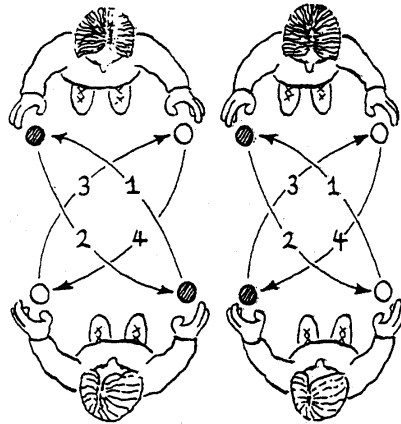
Woolen yarn and four bobbins.
 Instead of bobbins it is possible
 to use plastic bottles halved filled
 with water or sand.



Two children can use four bobbins to work on this type of plaiting.

- 1) On each bobbin, a loop is made in 2-3 m of yarn and is then secured and firmly wound on the bobbin. In this way the yarn is wound doubled. If the finished band is to be used as a belt, the yarn should be four-fold around the bobbin. The finished band will be a little shorter than the length of the folded yarns it is made of.
- 2) The yarn on the bobbins is secured with a knot (half-hitch). The loose ends of the yarn on the bobbins must be long enough to ensure that the bobbins are at hand height when the two persons working together stand 1-2 m apart.
- 3) The yarn ends from the bobbins are knotted together and hooked to the ceiling or a tree about 1 m above the hands.
- 4) The bobbins are swung towards each other so that the right and left hands of each person work together alternately. The yarns must pass each other as if the hands of the two persons were following through, with palms of the hands stroking each other. Gradually, as the yarn is used up, the two persons move closer to each other.
- 5) When the loose yarn has been used up, more can be released. The finished band is then lifted up to a convenient working height.

Different starting positions give different patterns. The pattern can also be varied with few or many colours.



Striped pattern

Spiral pattern