pumpkins on the Vine

Pumpkin perfection!

Decorate for fall with this playful garland inspired by the pumpkin patch

Supplies:

- 4 lengths of orange yarn, approximately 16 yards (48') long
- 1 length of brown yarn, approximately three and half feet (3.5') long
- Four (4) green pipe cleaners, two inches (2") long
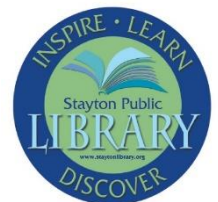- One (1) piece of cardboard about 1.5" x 3" in size
- Scissors

Instructions:

1. Cut a slit about one inch (1") deep and a quarter inch (1/4") wide into the cardboard as in **Figure 1.**

2. Unwind your length of brown yarn, this will serve as the backbone of the garland.

3. Thread the brown yarn through the slit in the cardboard, about six inches (6") from the left end of the brown yarn **(Fig. 2).**

4. Keeping the brown yarn between the cardboard slit, place the pipe cleaner perpendicular to the slit as in **Figure 3.** Hold in place.

5. Wrap your first length of orange yarn around the cardboard as in **Figure 4.**

6. While the orange yarn is wrapped around the cardboard, use the brown yarn to tie the pom-pom tightly around the middle. See **Figure 5.**

7. Slide the yarn off the cardboard. Turn the pom-pom over, and tie another, even tighter knot on the other side of the pom-pom in relation to your last knot.

8. Cut the looped ends with sharp scissors **(Figure 6).** Take care to not cut the brown yarn or pipe cleaner.

9. The pom-pom will come out looking shaggy and uneven. Trim your pom-pom for an even, fluffy look. Refer to **Figure 7** for a before and after picture.

10. Repeat steps three (3) through nine (9) until you have four pom-poms on your garland. Leave approximately six inches (6") between each pom-pom.

11. To finish, tie loops in both ends of the brown yarn for easy hanging with tacks or command hooks.

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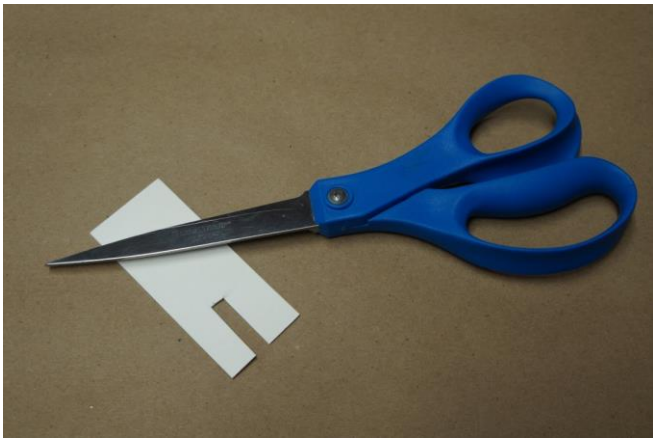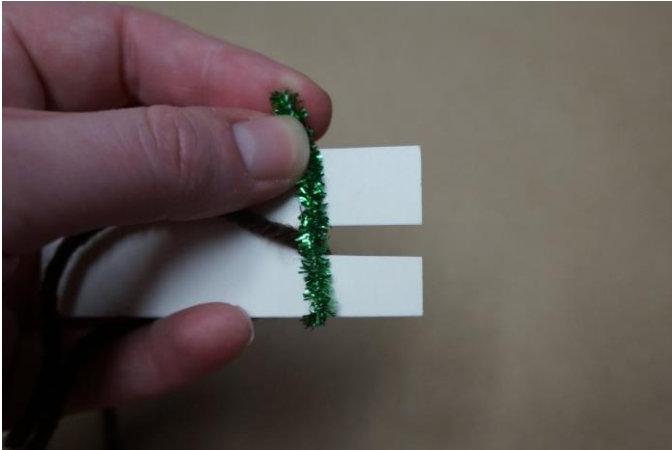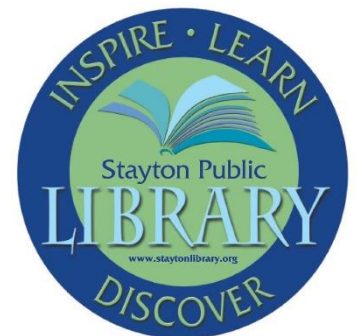**Figure 1**

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