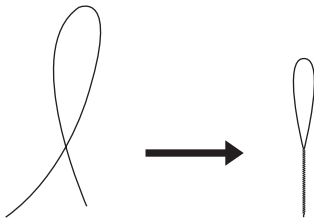
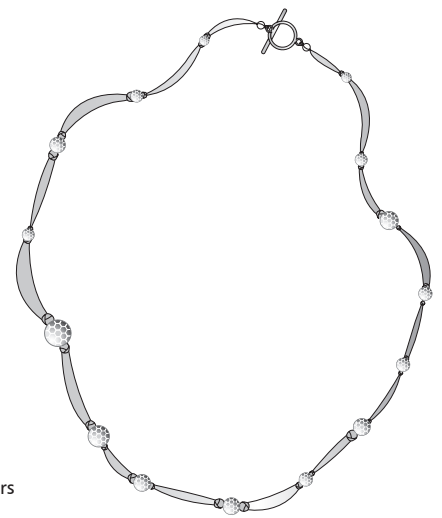
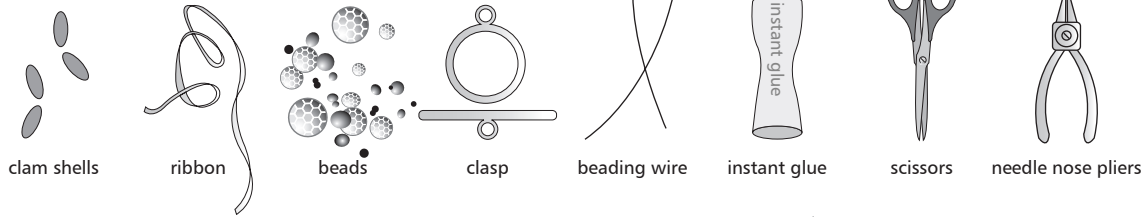
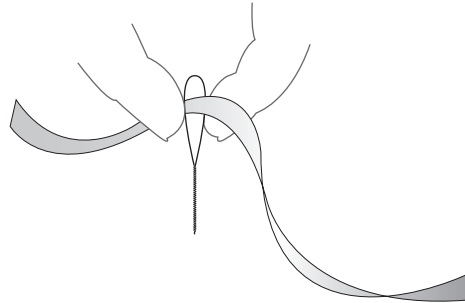


# knotting ribbon with clam shell ends

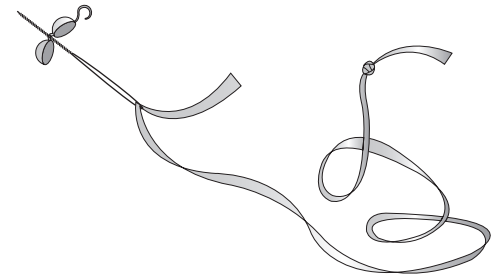
you will need the following supplies:



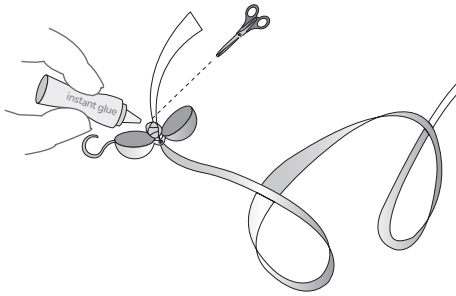
**Step 1:** Take 3" of beading wire, fold it in half, and twist it several times leaving an "eye" at the top. This will act as your beading needle.



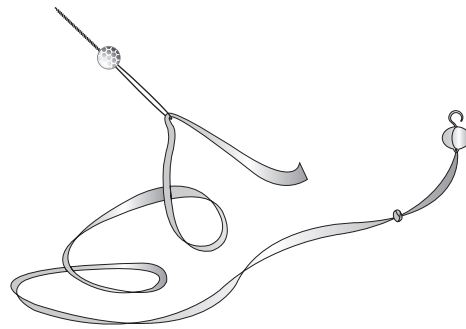
**Step 2:** Cut a piece of ribbon several inches longer than desired length of finished product. Feed the through the "eye" of your needle leaving a 3-inch tail. Pinch the "eye" closed.



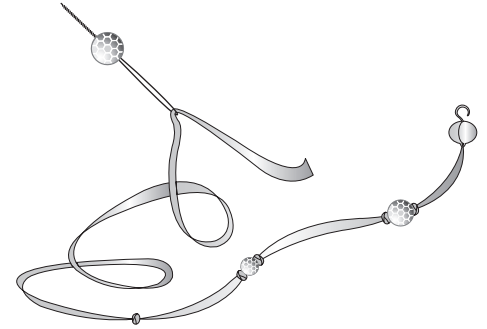
**Step 3:** Tie a double knot at the bottom of your ribbon. (Depending on how thick your ribbon is you may need a triple knot.) Thread a clam shell onto the needle and push over the knot.



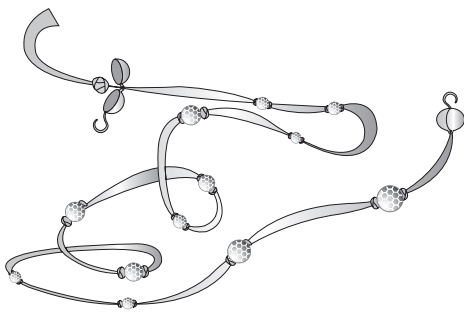
**Step 4:** Drop a small amount of instant glue onto the knot and cut off excess tail. Use your needle nose pliers to close the clam shell over the knot.



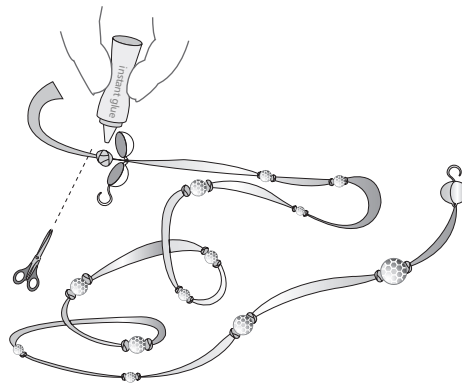
**Step 5:** To add beads, tie a knot, add a bead and tie another knot to hold it in place.



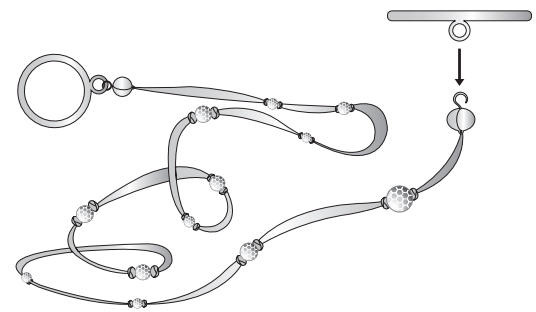
**Step 6:** Add as many beads, spaced out to your preference until you are 1.5" from your desired length.



**Step 7:** Without tying a knot first, add the second clam shell. Now tie a double or triple knot where you would like the clam shell to end up.



**Step 8:** Push the clam shell up to the knot and apply step 4.



**Step 9:** To finish, attach your clasp by hooking the open loop of the clam shell over the hoop of the clasp and close hoop. Repeat to finish other side.