

# CD and DVD upcycling activity

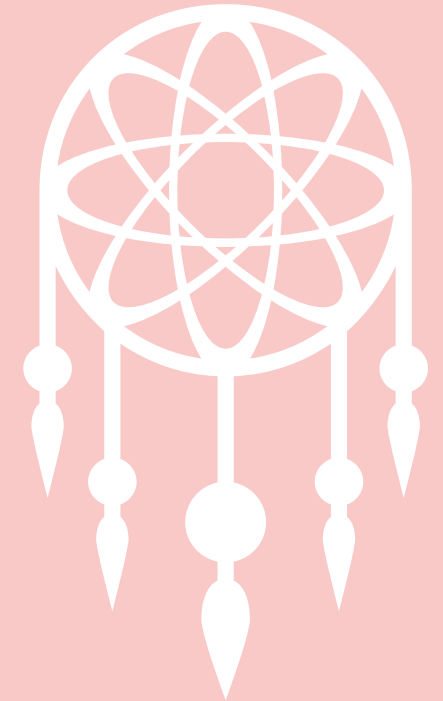
## Making a dream catcher

# About dream catchers

Originally created by Native Americans, the indigenous people of the United States of America.

They are a talisman to protect sleeping people from bad dreams.

Bad dreams are believed to be caught in the net and destroyed by sunlight.



# You will need

- ✓ Old CD or DVD
- ✓ Coloured wool, string or ribbon
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Beads, feathers or other decorations

# Step one

**Find an old CD or DVD and some coloured wool, string or ribbon**



# Step two

**Cut a long length of the string, thread it through the middle of your CD, wrap around the edge and tie a knot**

**This will be your 'wrap string'**



# Step three

**Wrap your string around the CD an odd number of times (e.g. 13 or 15 times) and tie a knot at the back**

**These will also be 'wrap strings'**



# Step four

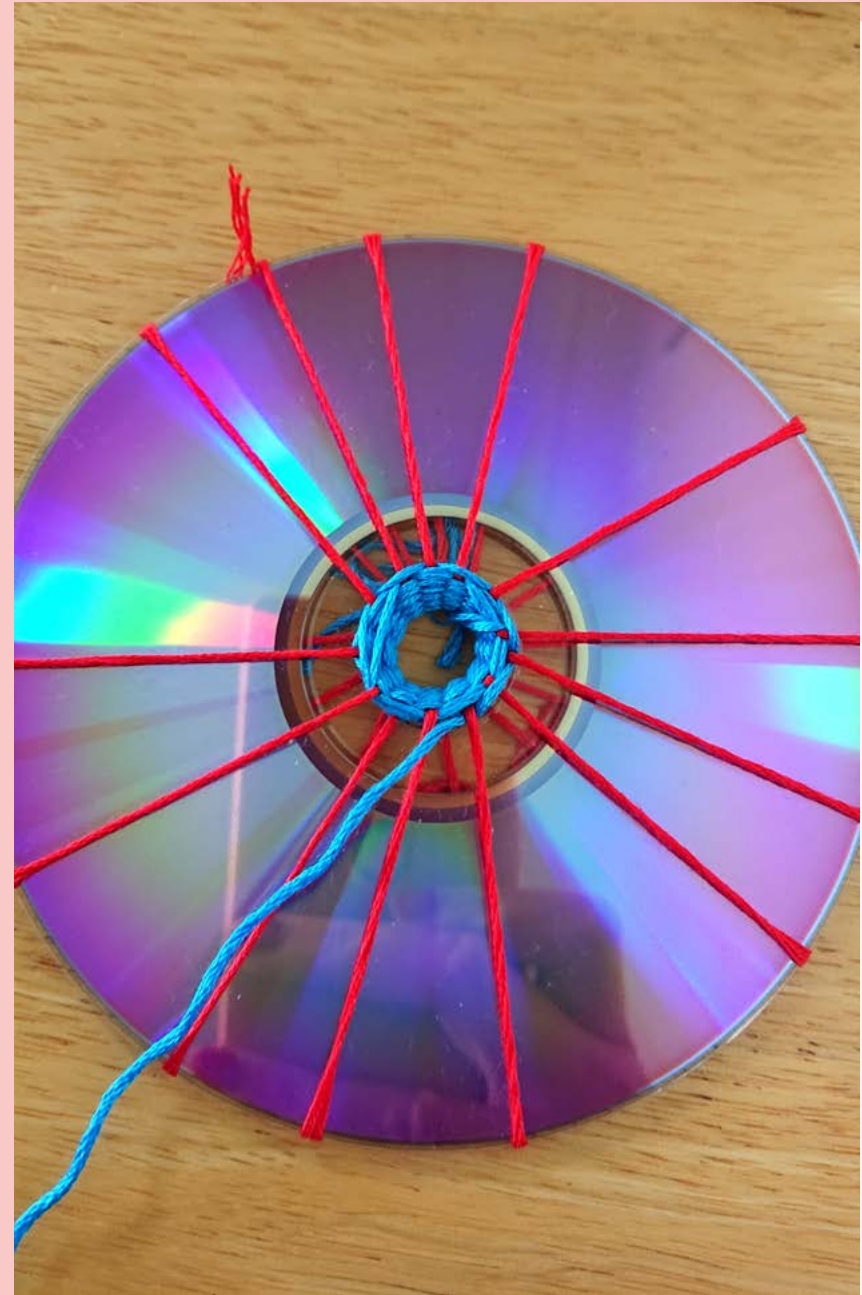
Cut another length of string, tie it to your wrap string on the back and thread it through the hole in your CD to the front



# Step five

**Weave your string over one string and then under the next – pulling tight as you go**

**Continue weaving and when you need new string, simply tie it to your old one and keep weaving**





# Step six

**When you have finished weaving, tie your string in a knot and carefully trim the end**



# Step seven

**Cut another length of string and loop it around two wrap strings at the back**

**Cut a slightly longer length of string and loop it around four wrap strings at the back**



# Step eight

**Thread your beads, feathers or other decorations onto the strings and tie a knot at the end**



**Now you've finished creating your dream catcher, you can hang it above your bed!**

