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## Beading a Small Seasoning Shaker

For this project you will bead  
7 rounds or 2  $\frac{2}{3}$  rows in the 3-drop stitch

### Materials needed:

Plastic pony beads  
32 beads of color A  
16 beads of color B  
Seasoning shaker

60 inches thread, plastic craft  
lacing works best  
Tape  
Scissors

### GETTING STARTED

1. Tape thread to shaker with thread going to the left.
2. String 16 beads of color A and wrap clockwise around shaker.
3. Notice the first bead you strung on and remember for later.
4. Run the thread through all the beads once.
5. Go through that first bead and pull thread snug but not too tight.

### THE STARTING ROW

1. Count out 8 beads of color A.
2. Push all the beads over the left.
3. Pick up a bead – note this first bead and remember for later.
4. From the beads on the left push one to the right.
5. Skip this bead, with your thread go through next bead.
  - The thread goes under the bead you skipped.
  - The bead you picked up goes to the left of the skipped bead.
6. Repeat previous step with remaining beads.
7. Remember the first bead you strung? Go through that bead again to end the round. So, to end the round you are going through two beads, the last (8th) bead of the round and the 1<sup>st</sup> bead of the round.
8. This completes your starting row. The third bead (Color B) is the first bead of your first pattern, the row.

Left

Right

Q-lesson tutorial on [www.youtube.com/c/bluedotbeadwork](http://www.youtube.com/c/bluedotbeadwork)

## LET'S LEARN A PATTERN – THE ROW

It takes 3 rounds to make a row. With color B you will do 2 more rounds to make a row of color B.

The first round was the third bead in the starting row with Color B

1. Count out 8 beads of color B.
2. Pick up a bead and go through the lowest bead of the previous round. Note this first bead of your round.
3. Repeat with remaining 7 beads.
4. End the row by going through the first bead.
5. Count out 8 beads of color B.
6. Pick up a bead and go through the lowest bead of the previous round. Note this first bead of the round.
7. Repeat with remaining 7 beads.
8. End the row by going through the first bead. You have done your first pattern, the row!

## TO FINISH

Repeat the steps above for 2 more rounds in color A.

You have completed your first project in 3-drop gourd!!!

Weave extra thread up through beads and snip off excess.

### How did you get those numbers? The count explained.

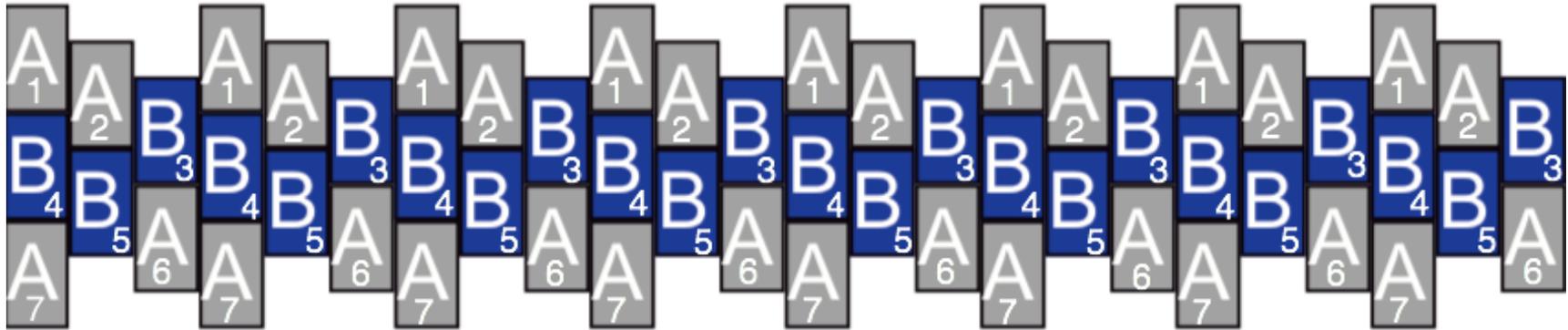
1. String enough beads to go around the shaker.
2. Count the beads and add or subtract to get a number divisible by 6.
3. Remove  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the beads and leave the other  $\frac{2}{3}$  on.

Another way to see it is you are dividing the total number of beads around the object by 3 and removing that amount.

For Example:

The total number around the shaker is 24, which is divisible by 6

$$24 \div 3 = 8 \quad \text{Remove 8 beads leave 16 on.}$$



<b>Round 1</b>	<b>Color A</b>
<b>Round 2</b>	<b>Color A</b>
<b>Round 3</b>	<b>Color B</b>
<b>Round 4</b>	<b>Color B</b>
<b>Round 5</b>	<b>Color B</b>
<b>Round 6</b>	<b>Color A</b>
<b>Round 7</b>	<b>Color A</b>

Place one bead of each color in squares below for reference

Color A

Color B