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BEADWORK

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	60 inches thread, plastic craft lacing works best
32 beads of color A _____	Tape
24 beads of color B _____	Scissors
Seasoning shaker	

GETTING STARTED

1. Tape thread to shaker with thread going to the left.
2. String 16 beads of green (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 orange (color B).
2. Push all the beads over the left.
3. Pick up a bead - note this first bead & remember it's the trickster bead.
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 1st bead of the round.
8. This completes your starting row. The orange third bead (Color B) is the first bead of your first pattern, the row.

Left

Right

LET'S LEARN A PATTERN – THE ROW

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

The first round was the third bead in the starting row with orange (color B).

1. Count out 8 beads of orange (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 this round of 8 by going through the first bead.
5. Count out 8 beads of orange (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 round of 8 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 green (color A).
You have completed your first project in 3-drop gourd!!!

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

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

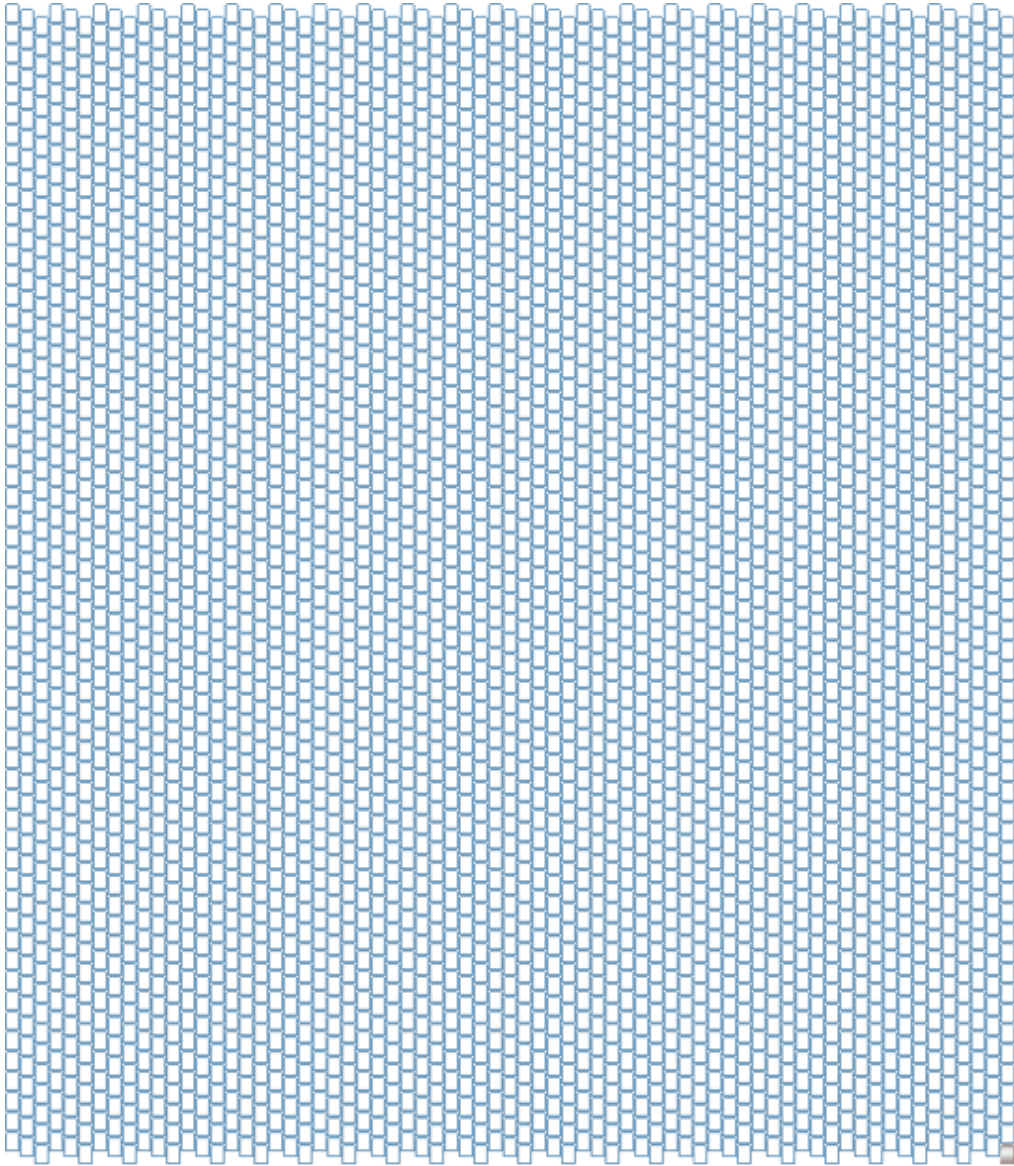
Counting for the Starting Row

1. String enough beads to go around the object.
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 total number around the object is 30.
 $30 \div 3 = 10$
 Remove 10 beads, leave 20 on.

Reference chart for starting row bead count

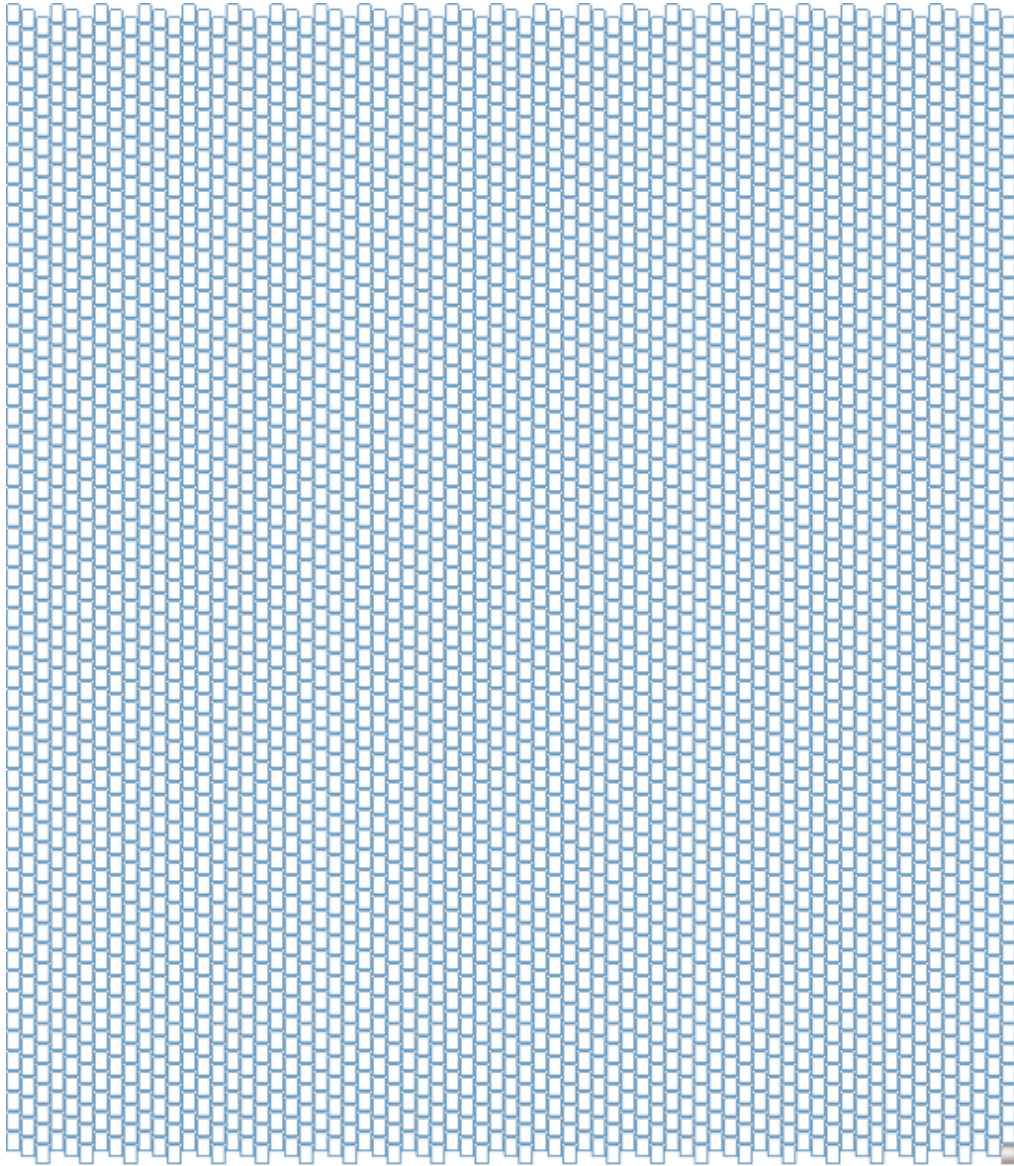
This is the total number of beads around the object. The total count around must be divisible by 6	This is the amount you remove	This is the amount left on
Total Round	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
6	2	4
12	4	8
18	6	12
24	8	16
30	10	20
36	12	24
42	14	28
48	16	32
54	18	36
60	20	40
66	22	44
72	24	48
78	26	52
84	28	56
90	30	60

3-drop Gourd Graph Paper



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