

MAKE YOUR OWN REBOZO!

Do you know how your clothes are made? Look at your jeans. Some threads go one way and others cross over those threads. This is called weaving. What other clothes are made of woven fabric?

Each area of the world has its own distinctive (originally handmade) fabric. The colors used to dye the yarn often come from local plants. Throughout Central and South America, people often dress in their own woven fabrics. Mexican men may carry a traditional serape over one shoulder. This blanket can be wrapped around them to keep warm. Women's shawls are called rebozos, and double as baby carriers.



Supplies:

- 1. Construction Paper**
- 2. Scissors**
- 3. Crayons or markers**

Steps:

- 1. With crayons or markers draw a woven design for a serape or rebozo on black construction paper. Choose bright colors that stand out next to each other. To make the pattern look like it was woven, keep thread colors going in the same direction.**
- 2. A fringe is created when woven fabric is removed from the loom and loose ends of the thread are tied so they do not unravel. To make similar fringe, cut two pieces of colored paper the same width as the short ends of your serape or rebozo.**

