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**Basic Materials for Creating Dolls**

For the Little Wilds Workshop, you don't have to have everything on this list. Please have some fabric, yarn, sewing and/or glue gun materials, scissors, pipe cleaners/wire, a sock, material to form a small body, such as clothespins, and some stuffing.

Suggested materials for purchase can be found at Blick: Little Wilds Supplies

- Assorted yarn, different textures, and widths
- String
- Sewing supplies: thread, needles,
- Scissors
- Pipe cleaners and wire
- Glue gun
- Decorative & Clothing Embellishments

## Ideas for Materials

### Yarn, Thread

- Yarn and/or embroidery floss
- Unraveled knitwear
- Twine, jute, or hemp
- Ribbon scraps
- Old wigs or hair extensions

### Structural & Body Forms

- Cardboard tubes (toilet paper/paper towel rolls)
- Wire (from hangers, old electronics—bendable for armatures)
- Bottle caps, corks
- Wooden spoons or clothespins
- Sticks, twigs, driftwood
- Air dry clay

**Paper & Mixed Media**

- Newspaper, magazines
- Brown paper bags
- Old books or sheet music
- Gift wrap scraps
- Paperboard (cereal boxes, packaging)

**Assorted fabrics and Soft Materials**

*Some should be larger so they can be cut to form the core of the doll, i.e. for wrapping.*

- Old clothing (t-shirts, dresses, socks, sweaters)
- Muslin
- Scarves and shawls
- Fabric scraps
- Pillowcases, bedsheets, curtains
- Felted wool (from shrunk sweaters)
- Denim from old jeans
- Lace, doilies, tablecloths
- Stuffing from old pillows or cushions, or polyfill, or other stuffing
- Scraps of leather or vinyl

**Embellishments**

- Zippers
- Lace trim, elastic
- Sequins, patches
- Old brooches or costume jewelry
- Belts or bag straps
- Feathers
- Beads, feathers, rhinestones, etc.
- Buttons (eyes, embellishments)
- Broken jewelry pieces
- Old keys
- Shells or stones

**Unexpected / Found Objects**

- Plastic containers (cut/shaped)
- Mesh produce bags
- Old gloves

- Tea bags (dried, for texture/staining)
- Coffee filters (great for dyeing and layering)
- Magazine clippings or paper collage
- Cereal box (for the chipboard)
- Aluminum Foil
- Many other items you may having lying around