



Outline Your Skillshare Class

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| Step 2: Check out a Few Tips | Check out this section of our Teacher Handbook for tips on how to outline your video lessons. |
| Step 3: Outline Your Class | Outline your class using the “Video Lesson Outline” table below. Add your class project in the “Project Description” table. |
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Video Lesson Outline

Make Your Own Hat With Loom Knitting!

Best practices:

- **Be specific**
 - Keep your title to 30–70 characters
- **Incorporate keywords relevant to your class**
 - Topic, skills or techniques, tools, project, takeaways
- **Use proper capitalization**

Class Description

Your class description is a brief overview of your class and should cover:

- *What the class is about and a few of the skills students will learn*
- *An overview of the class project*
- *Who the class is geared toward or if any prior knowledge or experience is required*

In this class, I'll show you my process for making a simple hat using a round loom as well as a few other basic tools.

I love loom knitting. You can knit anything from a small simple hat to a big cozy blanket. Over five years ago, my roommate taught me how to loom knit in college. I remember having so much fun

looming away while we watched episodes of Doctor Who together (which was whenever we decided to take a break from studying).

This step-by-step loom knitting class is aimed at beginner level students, but all are welcomed to take the course. We will go through supplies needed, basic terms, casting on, making the brim, knitting the rest of the hat, and closing the hat as well as a few other bonus techniques.

I've learned a lot since then about the ways of the loom, and I want to share my knowledge with you so that we all can experience the joy of creating something for ourselves (or someone we know) and smile saying, "You see that cool thing? I made that."

By the end of this class, I hope you have discovered how delightful loom knitting can be as well as learned a new skill to add to your leisure list.

Outlining your class is one of the best ways to ensure your video lessons are well-organized and engaging:

| Tips & Best Practices | Video Lesson Title | Video Format | Video Length | Talking Points & Key Concepts |
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| <p><i>Add as many video lessons as you need. To add more rows: Right click > Insert row</i></p> | <p><i>Give each video lesson a clear, concise title.</i></p> | <p><i>Examples: Talking Head, Physical Demo, Screencast and Slides. Aim to vary your video format every 1 - 2 minutes to keep your audience engaged.</i></p> | <p><i>Video lessons are 2-5 minutes, on average .</i></p> | <p><i>Skillshare classes are typically 20-60 minutes in total length. Each video lesson can include: a demonstration of techniques, definition of concepts, examples and your unique perspective!</i></p> |
| <p><i>In the first video, give a brief (<4 min) overview of who you are, what you'll be teaching, what students will learn and why this class is important. For a more complete intro video template, head here.</i></p> | <p><i>Introduction</i></p> | <p><i>Physical demo & voiceover</i></p> | <p><i>>1 min</i></p> | <p><i>Brief overview of the class & self introduction</i></p> |

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| <p><i>Throughout your video lessons, be sure to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Define key concepts ● Show students how to complete the class project ● Share personal tips, tricks and hacks | Choose Your Yarn | Physical demo & voiceover | 1-2 min | The importance, definition, and location of skein weight (yarn thickness). |
| | Supplies | Physical demo & voiceover | >1 min | Brief overview of supplies |
| | Cast On | Physical demo & voiceover | 1-2 min | Physical demo of how to start & complete a simple cast on. |
| | Make the Brim | Physical demo & voiceover | 4-5 min | Continuation of physical demo and stitch type. |
| | Continue Knitting the Hat | Physical demo & voiceover | 1-2 min | A brief explanation of how the length of the hat correlates to rows. |
| | Switching Colors (optional) | Physical demo & voiceover | 1-2min | An optional physical demo of switching from one yarn color to another yarn color. |
| | Close the Hat | Physical demo & voiceover | 3-4 min | Continuation of making the rest of the hat as well as how to cast off & tie off the hat. |
| | Adding a Pom Pom (optional) | Physical demo & voiceover | 1-2 min | An optional physical demo of adding a pom pom to a hat. |
| <p><i>In your last video lesson recap key points of the class and encourage students to post their projects to the project gallery.</i></p> | Closing Thoughts | Voiceover & talking head | 1-2 min | Instructor's final thoughts and tips for the class as well as a reminder/overview of the class project. |

Class Project

All Skillshare classes include a class project that prompts students to put their new skills to action. Come up with an exercise or assignment that students can easily complete. Learning more about crafting a class project [here](#):

Project Description

Start with a concise sentence that summarizes the entire project. Follow with a few lines or a brief paragraph explaining the details of the project in more depth. What will students need to do to complete the project? If appropriate, you can share a step-by-step list of instructions.

Wrap up the class project description by describing exactly what the finished project will look like, what format it should be in, etc... Finally, encourage your students to share their project in the class project gallery.

Your project for this class is simple. Create a wearable loom knitted hat for you or someone you know.

- Be sure to post pictures of your hat as well as a fun description.
- This can be as brief as one word or as long as a few paragraphs.
- The goal for writing the description should be to capture your experience with this project.
- Don't forget to have fun!

Yarn Weight Examples: <https://www.dummies.com/crafts/knitting/knitting-yarn/yarn-weight-thickness/>

Helpful Links:

[Class Publishing Checklist](#)

[Teacher Handbook](#)

[Class Merchandising Guide](#)

[Teach Challenge](#)

Curious to see how a great outline can produce a fantastic class? Check out these outlines and the fabulous classes that came from them!

- Dylan Mierzwinski's [outline](#) for her class [Digitizing Hand Drawn Sketches with Character](#)
- Stanley Idesis' [outline](#) for his class [Content That Attracts: Discover Content Ideas and Grow Your Audience](#)