

MAKING A SMALL WOODEN DROP SPINDLE HIGH WHORL STYLE

Materials:

toy car wheel @ 2 1/2" with 1/4" center hole

1/4" dowel 7 1/4" long - you get up to 4 or more of these when you buy the dowel either at the hardware or craft store

Small screw hooks - the smaller ones are less likely to split the dowel

Directions:

Measure off dowel in 7 1/4" lengths, cut with clippers used in basketry or trimming plants.

You can paint or stain all pieces or have the kids paint them

Put the dowel through the axle-hole in the wheel so that one end of the dowel extends @ 1" beyond the wheel (now this part is called the whorl). If you want to make sure the whorl doesn't slip up and down the whorl you can glue with a good wood glue.

Screw the cup hook onto the shorter dowel end. The spindle is ready for use.

