Weaving ideas for your classroom

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Finding appealing, simple and quick to make projects for your classroom can be a challenge. We put together this selection of published projects to assist you in introducing weaving to your makerspace. All of these projects are simple, quick to make, and introduce new weavers to the art and craft of weaving through project based lessons that are easy jumping off points for further explorations.

These projects can be downloaded from the Schacht website and used for your classroom curriculum. You’ll find them listed on the home page under E-Newes, Project and Newsletter Archives, or Blog. Also, sign up for our blog posts and monthly E-Newes newsletter for ongoing inspiration, techniques and project instructions.

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Weave a Wall Hanging

Fringe is in—and that’s really what this wall hanging is all about. Created on a simple frame loom, the School Loom, this project has a lot of fringe and not a lot of weaving—so it’s finished in no time. From How to Weave a Fringed Wall Hanging from the May 2017 Blog
Learn Techniques with this Wall Hanging

This sampler was woven on a simple frame loom, the Schacht Mini Loom, and explores a variety of tapestry/rug techniques. Find the Mini Loom Hanging in the February 2015 Blog.
Recycle and repurpose fabric with this quick and easy project. This project uses twisted fabric strips and yarn (made with the Schacht 3” Hi Lo Spindle). It is woven on a rigid heddle loom, the Cricket Loom, which is a friendly loom for beginners and especially kids. It could also be woven on the School Loom. The handle is made with the Incredible Rope Machine. Find “What’s for Dinner?” in the March 2012 Blog.
Purposeful Paper Weaving

You can explore the over, under, over, under of weaving with this card project. A heart shape was drawn on this white card, slits were cut with a mat knife, then woven with a fine textured paper for a handmade card. Find the Woven Heart Card in our February 2015 blog
This pocket with a flap was woven on a piece of shaped cardboard using cotton yarn and narrow fabric strips. Find the Pocket Weave Sachet in the February 2015 blog.
Start to Finish Red Valentine

This project combines a number of fiber techniques, beginning with dyeing the wool fleece with Koolaid. The fiber is teased and then spun on a simple drop spindle. The highly textured yarn is woven on a simple frame loom, the Schacht Mini Loom, for a fabric with a homespun look. The fabric is then lightly felted and sewn into a heartfelt gift. From February 2013 Yearning to Spin and Weave
Create a Heart on a Pin Loom—then Decorate

For this project, a red square was woven on the Schacht Zoom Loom, the fabric was felted, cut into a heart shape, trimmed with a blanket stitch in a contrasting color, and embellished with a button and beads. From “Weaving to Woo Week – Zoom Loom Pin”, February 2014 blog
Weaving little patches is a great way to explore weaving techniques. This little patch is woven on a simple frame loom in a pile technique known as rya (or ghiordes) knots. The pile was cut to different heights to give the heart dimension. Here the patch was attached to a pillow, but it could be applied to a jacket or bag, or even framed. From “Weaving to Woo Week – Mini Loom Heart Patch”, February 2014 blog
There’s so many things you can do with rope: create a fancy knot, decorate a package, make a special necklace, or trim a hand knit jacket. Here, fine linen yarn was twisted into cords using the Schacht Incredible Rope Machine. The two colors were joined using a lover’s knot to trim a package. From “Weaving to Woo Week – Lover’s Knot”, February 2014 blog
Holiday Decoration Event

Create one of these fun projects woven on a pin loom such as the Schacht Zoom Loom. Instructions for these are all found under Project + Newsletter Archives, Zoom Loom projects on the Schacht website.
This bag is a perfect beginner project, especially for kids. Two rectangles are woven on a frame loom the Schacht School Loom was used here. In this example, stripes in the warp and weft create a colorful plaid—a fun way to play with color. After weaving, the fabric was felted in the washing machine with careful supervision. The bag can be hand or machine sewn together and trimmed with a rope handle. We used the Incredible Rope Machine to make the handle using the same yarn as used for the bag fabric. From Newsletter Archive, summer 2009
Eight squares for the body are woven on a pin loom such as the Schacht Zoom Loom and 6 squares are woven for the dress for this cute project sure to delight old and young alike. Find complete instructions in the Newsletter Archie, summer 2013.
How to Make a Freeform Friendship Bracelet

Freeform tapestry techniques, dibby dabs of yarn, and beads are used to create this modern bracelet. This was woven on the Schacht Cricket rigid heddle loom, but it could also be made using the Schacht School Loom or Lilli Loom. February 2017 Blog
DIY Zoom Loom Holiday Flower Lights

Fine yarns are used on the Zoom Loom to make these open weave squares to which LED lights are attached. Super simple, and fun. From the December 2016 blog.
Zoom Loom Turkey

Four pin loom squares made on the Schacht Zoom Loom are all that’s required for this table topper for a Thanksgiving centerpiece. From the November 2016 blog
Tapestry Weaving – The Long and the Short of It

These two wall hangings illustrate more traditional tapestry on the left and highly textured modern weaving on the right. Both are woven on a simple frame loom, the Schacht School Loom. February 2016 blog
A space dyed novelty yarn is the starting point for this stunning cowl woven on the Schacht Zoom Loom pin loom. The squares are sewn together in pairs and the ends joined to make a circle. From the April 2015 Blog