



## Dog Rope Toy

Make this rope toy for your dog at home or for shelter dogs! Volunteer from home and donate the finished items at any spcaLA Pet Adoption Center. **4 donated toys count as one hour of service.**



### MATERIALS:

- Scissors for cutting fabric
- 3 strips of fleece (2 inches wide by 6 feet long)
  - Purchasing Note: A 2-yard (6') piece of fabric will yield about 25 to 30 strips.
  - If you would like the same effect as the photos, you will need different colors of fabric; however, using the same color also works.

### Step 1:

Cut out 3 strips of 2"x6' fabric



### Step 2:

Lay all 3 strips together one on top of the other





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### Step 3:

Fold bundle of strips in half to find the middle.



### Step 4:

Hold the fabric about 5" from the middle.

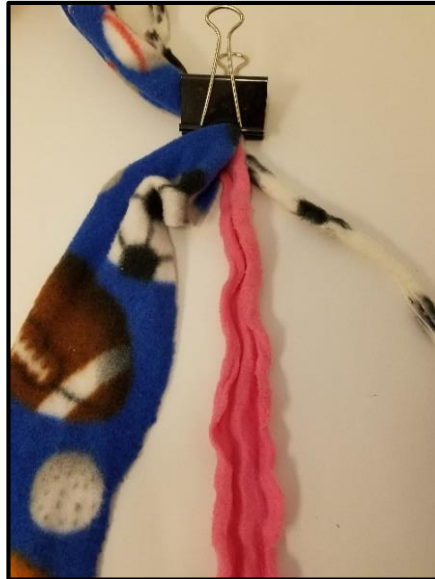




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### Step 5:

Secure fabric 5" from the middle. This can be done with a clip, a rubber band, a friend's hand, etc.



### Step 6:

Braid the strips of fabric for about 10", using the secured spot in the middle as the starting point.

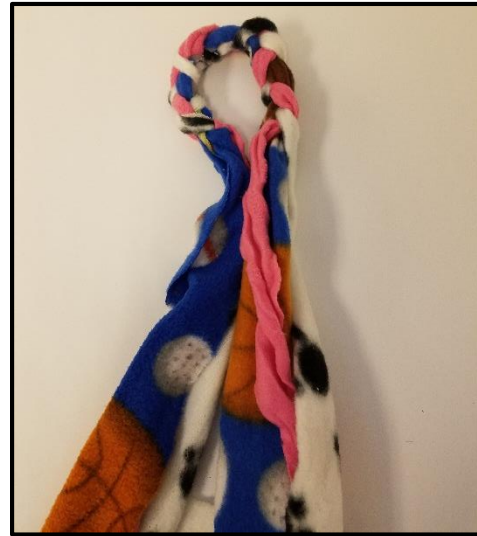




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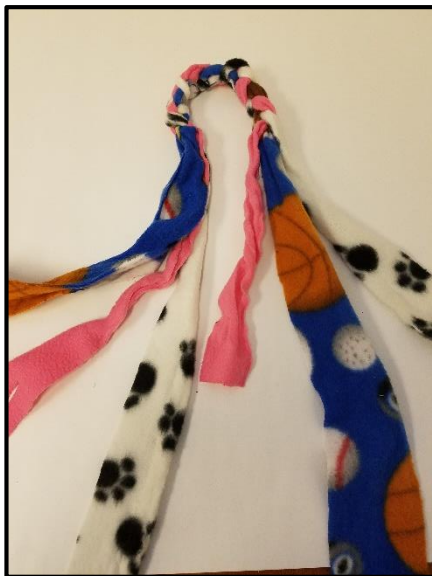
### Step 7:

Fold the braid in half and remove clip. This braid becomes the handle of the toy.



### Step 8:

There should be 6 loose strips of fabric. Match them up in pairs. If you have 3 different colors, you can pair them by color.





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### Step 9:

Now that you have sections, braid as far down as you can. The tighter the braid, the better.



### Step 10:

When you get to the end, tie in a knot. You can either leave the loose ends or trim the excess, making sure the knot remains secure. If desired, snip the loose ends of fabric to create fringe. All done!

