God's Eye Turtle

You will need:

- Popsicle sticks or any flat sticks
- Yarn or colored string
- Markers or paint
- Scissors
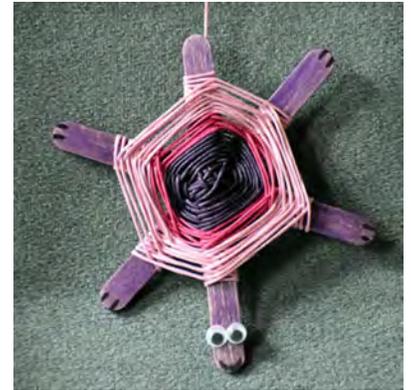
Directions:

1. Color the ends of 3 popsicle sticks.

   Note: If using a thinner yarn/sting, color the whole stick.

2. Cut a piece of yarn or string about 2' long. Tie one end of it to the middle of the popsicle sticks.
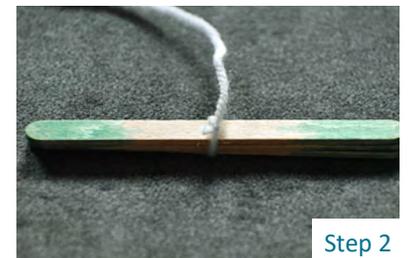
3. Spread the bottom 2 sticks out to make an X. The top stick will be the head and tail of the turtle.

4. Bring the piece of yarn up between 2 sticks and wrap over the top and between the sticks on the opposite side. Turn the sticks and bring the yarn up between 2 new sticks and wrap over top to the opposite side. Turn and repeat until you have wrapped each stick several times creating a star-like pattern.

5. Now wrap the yarn around one stick so the yarn comes back over the top of the stick and over to the stick next to it.

Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

Step 4

Step 5

6. Bring the yarn over the top of the next stick and wrap under and back over to the next stick.

Step 6

7. Keep repeating this pattern until you have gone around each stick 3-4 times and the pattern looks like the picture.

Step 7

8. You can either keep going using the same color yarn or add different colors. To add a different color, just tie the end of the new color to the end of the old color.
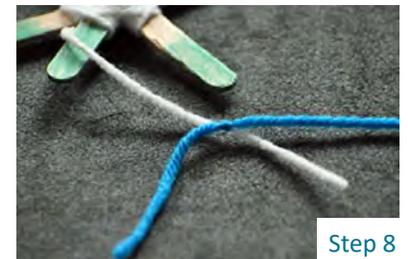
   Note: You can slide the knot of the new yarn up or down the old yarn so the knot is hidden on the bottom of the turtle


Step 8

9. Continue the wrapping pattern with the new color.

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10. Keep wrapping adding new colors or alternating colors if you want until you get to about 1/2"-1" from the end of the sticks.
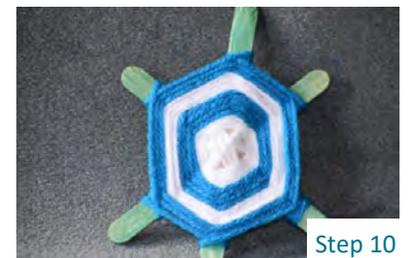
Step 10

12. Tie off yarn on the bottom and cut off all excess yarn.

   Optional: Tie off but do not cut off the excess and use it to hang your turtle.
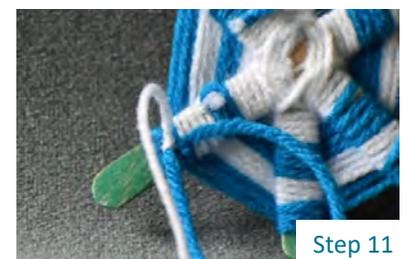
Step 11

12. Decorate head and feet of turtle.

Step 12

12. Try different colors and patterns and create a nest of turtles!

Step 13