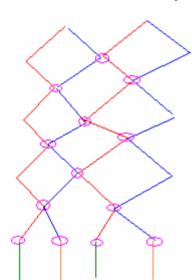


## **Shopping Bag Revenge**

What you need: Lots of plastic shopping bags, Scissors.

**Instructions:** Cut up the plastic bags going in a spiral and making long strips about 5cm wide. Take two strips and tie them together at one end. Now lay six of them out on a table with the knots in the middle. Now take the first two strips on your side of the knots and tie them in a knot about 5cm along the strips. Knot every two strips across the table. Now skip one strip and knot the next two together (making a



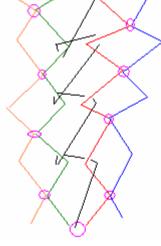
shopping bag with a handle! Happy shopping!

diamond pattern). Keep knotting like this until you reach the end of your strips. Now turn the work around and do exactly the same the other side. You now have a rectangular net.

Fold the net across where you make the first knots. Take another long strip of plastic – an especially wide one, and tie to the bottom at the fold. Now 'sew' the

sides together by weaving the plastic in and out of the edges. When you get to the top tie a knot in the last two loops and loop over to the other side, tie a knot in the first two loops and then continue weaving down the other side. Fasten off by tying a last knot to the fold on the other side.

You now have a unique recycled Happy shopping!



## Why Not:

- Do this with a friend sitting on the other side of the table doing the other side then you can make two, one each!
- Learn to knit or crochet and make other things with your shopping bag strips, like beanies or hats.
- Learn to macramé and make pot hangers or toilet roll holders with your plastic yarn.