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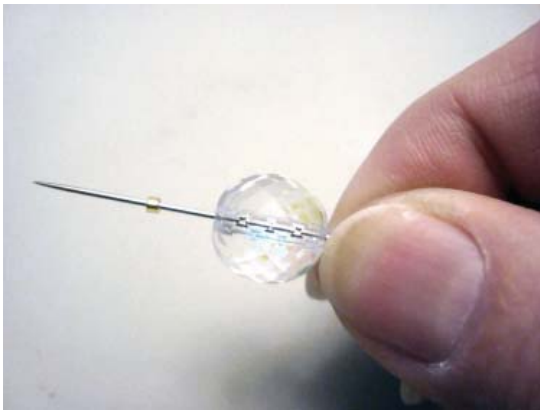
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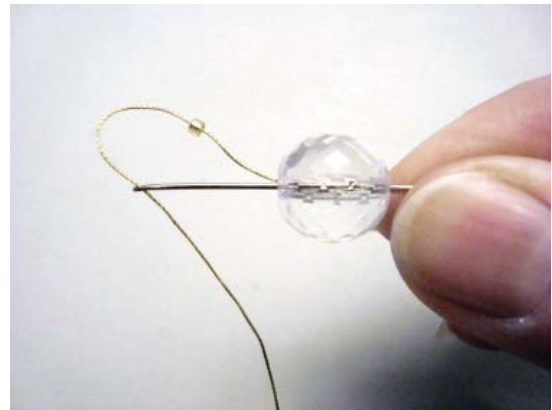
Adding Hanging Crystal Beads From Ornaments

-To add crystal beads to each ornaments, refer to the following photographs to help you.

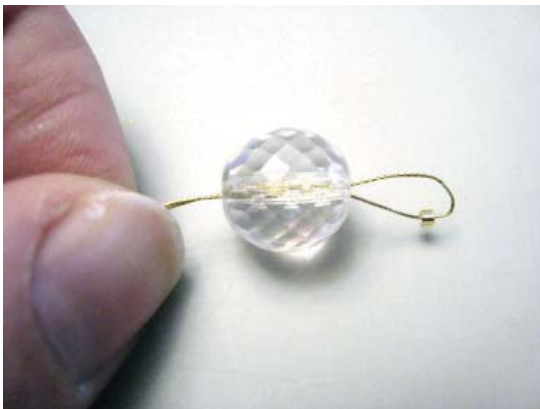
-Begin by cutting a length of approximately 12" of gold metallic thread and threading one end through a beading needle. A regular sewing needle may be used, but it must have an eye small enough to pass through both the crystal and the seed bead.



-Pass the needle first through the crystal and then through a seed bead (Fig 1) and pull until it is about the middle of the thread.



-Entering from the hole you just came out of, pass the needle and thread through the crystal once again. (Fig 2)



-This should form a loop through the bottom of the crystal, and the seed bead will hold the thread in place. (Fig 3)



- Pass the needle through the hole at the top of the ornament frame and pull the ends even, allowing the bead to settle about an inch below the top of the frame. (Fig 4)



-Hold both strands of string together and make a loop to tie a knot. (Fig 5)



-Pull the ends slowly and use the needle to adjust the position of the knot depending on where you want your bead to hang. (Fig 6) This may take a little practice, but you should be able to get it after a couple of tries. When you are satisfied at the length of your thread, pull the thread firmly so that the knot is tight.



-Cut the thread close to the knot, leaving just a bit for a tail. (Fig 7) You may wish to apply a small amount of clear-drying glue to the knot to be sure it doesn't slip out.



-Use the pointy end of your scissors or a pin or end of tweezers to push the knot into the small hole at the top of the frame. (Fig 8)



-You can adjust the bead to hang perfectly by sliding the crystal bead up toward the top of the frame and sliding the seed bead as far down as it will go. Then allow the crystal bead to rest on the seed bead and it will sit level and even. (Fig 9)

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