Make Mongolian Headdresses

Hats are very popular in Mongolia, and there are many different styles. This headdress is for girls and is similar to those used for special occasions.

Here’s what you will need:

For Mongolian Girl’s Headdress

* One large piece of red craft foam (12” X 18”)
* Pony beads of various colors and sizes
* White plastic lacing
* Gemstone stickers
* Duct tape (red)
* Two pieces of red ribbon, each approximately 12 inches long

What to do:

1. Cut a 14” tiara-shaped piece from one of the long sides of the red craft foam (see photo).
2. Cut a small openings in the ends of the tiara
3. Decorate with gemstone stickers as desired
4. Turn the foam over
5. Cut ten short pieces of plastic lacing (as many as you wish), approximately 3 to 4 inches long.
6. Arrange them evenly along the center of the bottom edge of the headdress.
7. Use the duct tape to hold the pieces of lacing in place.
8. Turn the headdress over.
9. String beads as desired on these short pieces of lacing. Make sure you leave enough lacing, so that you can end each string with a knot tied through a bead, as shown. Trim.
10. Cut six pieces of plastic lacing approximately 13 to 14 inches long and arrange them on either side of the shorter pieces.
11. Secure the plastic lacing to the back of the headdress with duct tape.
12. String beads as desired. End each string with a knot tied through a bead, as shown. Trim.
13. Enjoy!