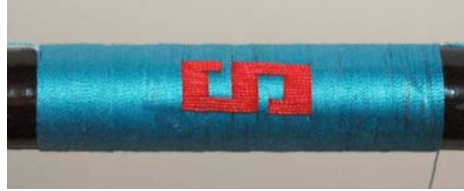


# Rod Wrapping Weaving Letters

# Basic Weaving Simple Method

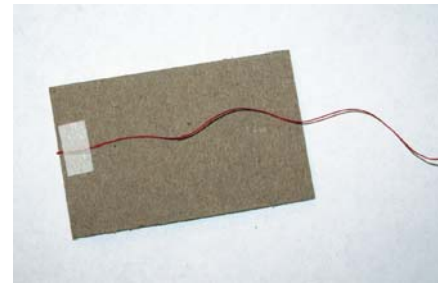


There are several ways to go about weaving a letter into your wrapping. Here is a simple method, that is easy to follow along with.

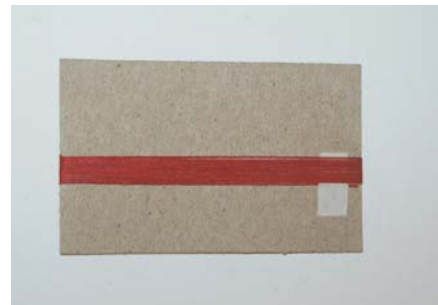
## Getting the weaving thread ready

Cut a credit card sized piece of card stock. Use the kind of cardboard you will find backing a pad of paper.

Pick a color thread for the letter. Tape the free end to the edge of the card stock.



Wrap the card stock 16 times. This will give you 16 threads per side. D thickness thread will add up to be about 1/4 inch wide. This is also the width that the letter will be.

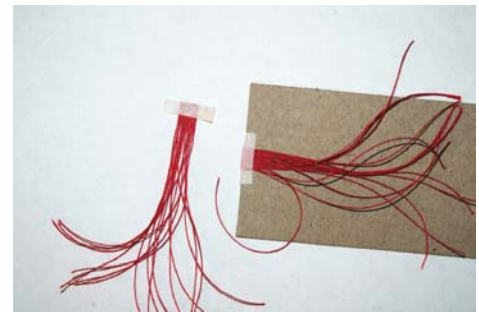


You can change the size of the letter by adding or subtracting threads.

**Adjust the threads so they are tight and uniform.**

**Cut a piece of masking tape. Tape the top edge. Use half the tape on one side and fold over the other to tape the back side.**

**Use a razor to cut the bottom edge first. Then cut the top. This will give you 2 pieces. You will only need one of them. Save the other for another time. Peel up the masking tape from the card.**



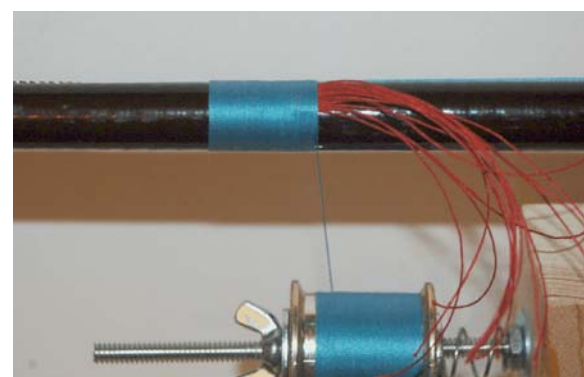
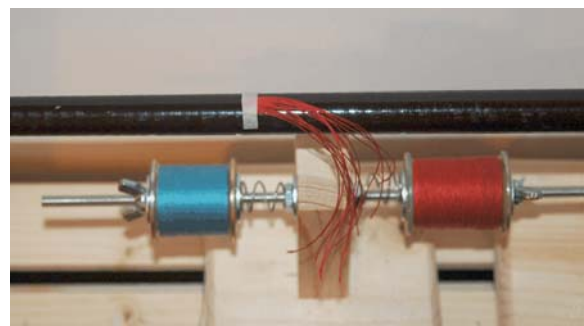
## **Attach the weave to the Rod**

**Be careful not to disturb the threads. Tape the weave threads to the spot you want the letter.**

**Use a pin to comb and straighten the weave threads.**

**Start wrapping. Stop wrapping when you get to where you want the letter to start.**

**Basic wrapping is not covered here.**



# Starting The Letter

## The Example is the letter “S”

**Adjust the thread tension to keep the wrapping in place.**

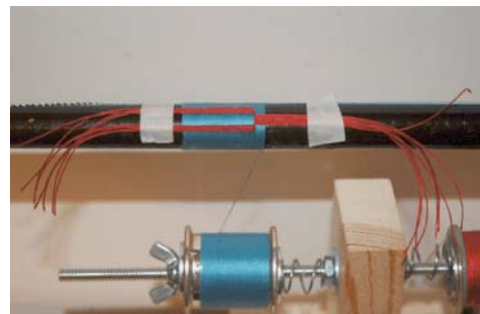
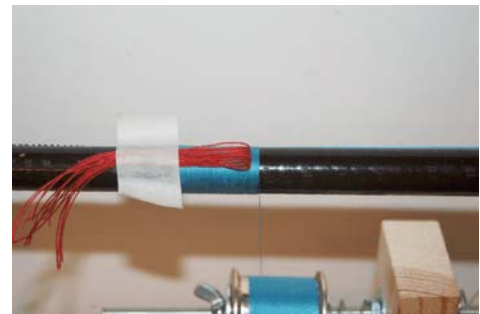
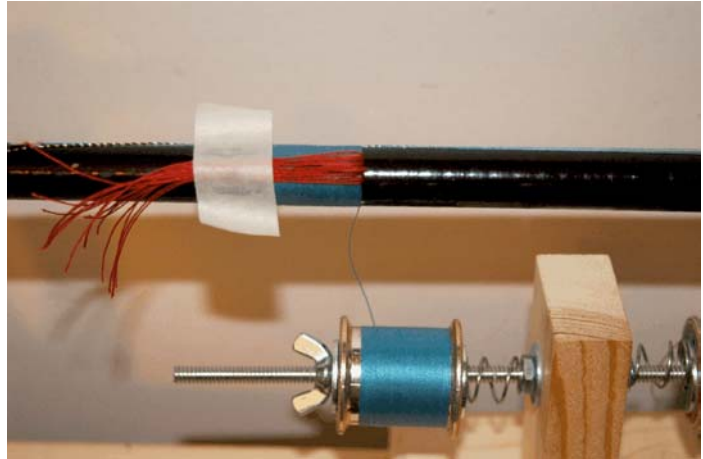
**Hold or tape back the weaving thread.**

**Creating the letter involves moving threads back and forth. You either wrap over them or move them out of the way.**

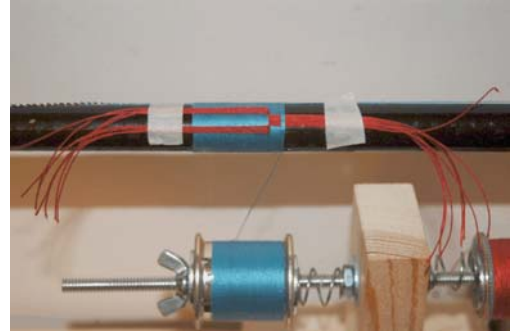
**Continue wrapping. Count the wraps. The amount of wraps is the thickness of the letter. For this letter “S”, I used a 12 thread width. That’s 12 wraps past the back turned weave.**

**The weave will end up on top of the wrap. Creating the top of the letter.**

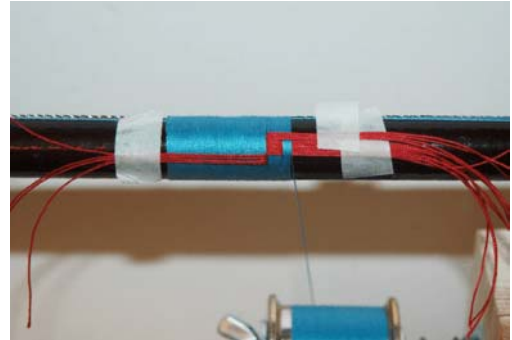
**Take the middle 8 threads of the weave and lay them across the wrap. Check to see that the threads are straight and neat. The next wraps cover the weave .**



**Wrap 6 turns over the 8 middle threads.**



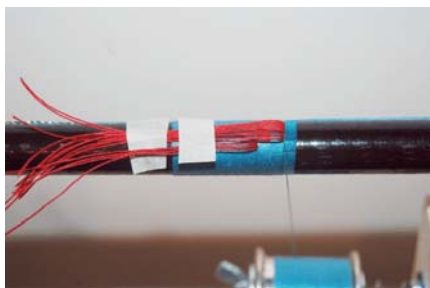
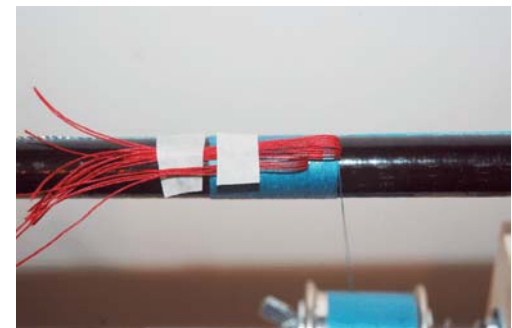
**Lay the top 4 threads of the weave across the wrap with the middle weave threads.**



**Wrap 6 turns over the weave. Check to make sure the threads are in order.**

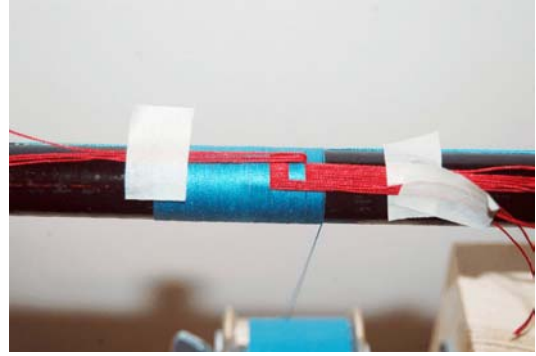


**Move all the weave threads up out of the way.**

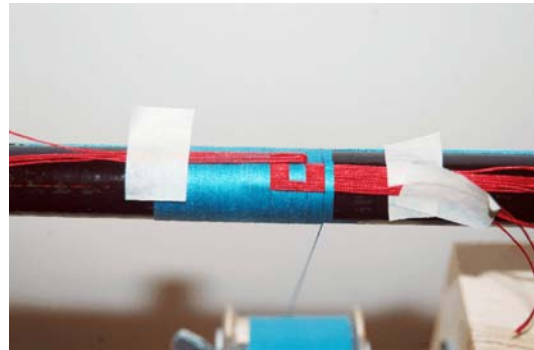


**Wrap 12 turns.**

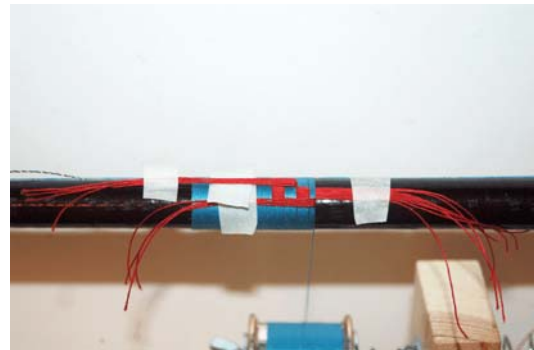
**Lay the bottom 4 threads and the middle 8 threads down.**



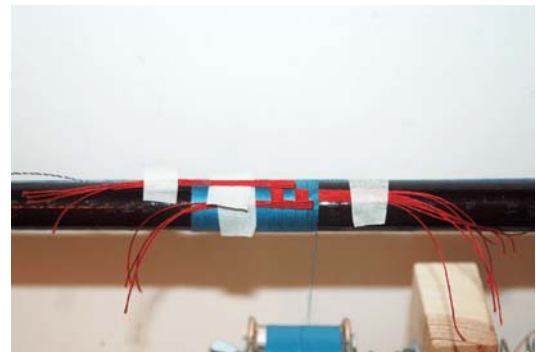
**Wrap 6 turns.**



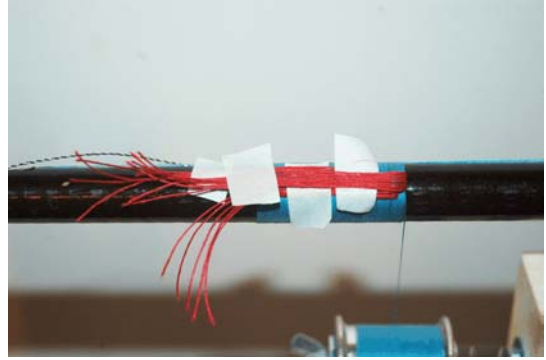
**Move the top 4 threads back up out of the way. Now just the middle 8 threads are down.**



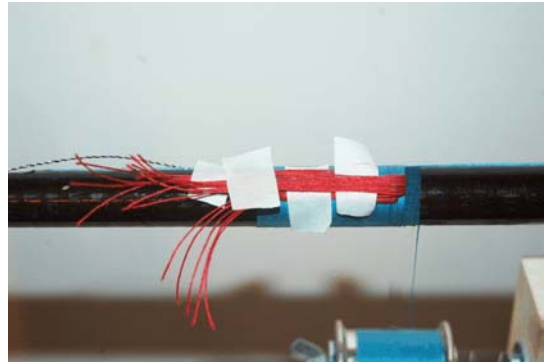
**Wrap 6 turns.**



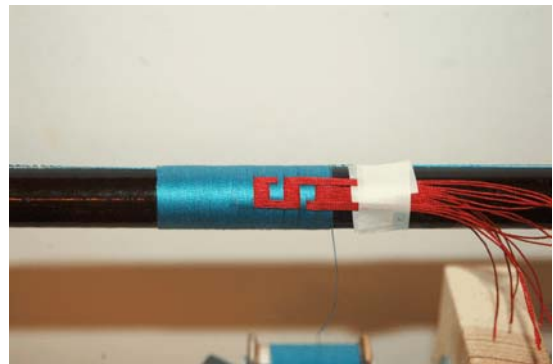
**Lift all the weave threads up out of the way.**



**Wrap 12 turns.**



**Lay all the weave down.**



**After wrapping several turns. Gently pull on the free ends of the weave to tighten and adjust. Use a pin or something similar to straighten and align the weave.**



**Cut the loose ends of the weave off. Its better to cut them at an angle.**



**By now you will have gained some basic skill in letter weaving. By making some modifications you can make your own designs and letters. It can help to draw your designs before hand.**