JEWELLERY MAKING

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People make jewellery out of natural materials, such as seeds, beans, bones, feathers and shells. Today some of the decorations are made from plastic beads in red, black and yellow. These three colours represent the colour of the Aboriginal flag.

**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- A collection of red, black and yellow beads, earthly colour beads, nuts, seeds and shells
- Thin elastic or wire

Encourage children to be creative, making a pattern with their natural resources as they place thread the wire or string through the pieces.

Many patterns and designs can be made using the natural materials of the bush.

Children can learn to mix and match, plain beads can be painted.