

Stick Your Sorry's in a Bag!

These are decorative envelope-like bags the kids can hang on closet or bedroom door knobs for the whole Jewish year to come. Whenever each child does something to be sorry for during the coming year, he or she writes a note about it and deposits it in the "Sorry Bag". Next Rosh Hashanah, the bag should be emptied and all the notes should be reviewed by the child and discussed with parents. The hope is, of course, that with each year the bag will be less and less full.

Materials for each child:

- Construction paper, 12"X18"
- Collage scraps like ribbon, tissue, wrapping paper, doilies, sticky tape, wall paper scraps etc.
- Watercolor markers
- Color pencils (optional)
- Crayons (optional)
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Piece of colorful yarn, 55" in length
- 2 beads, buttons, washers or any thing that can be strung from yarn
- Clear cellophane tape

Directions:

1. Trace the pattern we've supplied onto construction paper.
2. Cut out and fold on the dotted lines to form envelope.
3. Open it up again and decorate the front rectangle as indicated on pattern.
4. Using any of the materials listed above, add the Hebrew new year and the words, "I'm sorry..." or "I regret..." or anything else in that vein.
5. At this point the bag should be laminated.
6. Trim the laminated bag and slit a 1/2" diagonal notch in each corner of the decorated rectangle as indicated on the pattern.
7. Tie the piece of yarn on a big circle with 4-5" ends hanging from the knot.
8. Before folding the bag, secure the yarn as shown in the drawing so that the finished bag will have a handle at the top and the knot will be in against the center of the bottom fold of the bag.
9. Secure the yarn in the corner notches and with tape if desired.
10. Fold back and secure envelope flaps to the back of the bag with clear tape.
11. Tie buttons, beads or washers to the two dangling yarn ends for added decoration.