



Pumpkin Shirt*



Wear your Halloween spirit on your sleeve with this groovy tie-dyed jack-o'-lantern shirt.

CRAFT MATERIALS:

- White T-shirt, washed
- Rubber bands
- Orange fabric dye
- Sink or bucket for the dye
- Rubber gloves
- Blunt-ended scissors
- Cardboard (for inside of shirt)
- Black permanent marker
- Black fabric paint
- Paintbrush

Time needed: Under 1 Hour

1. Pinch and gather up a portion of the T-shirt fabric, then add a rubber band 1 or 2 inches from the point of the pinch. Wrap the band around several times until it's nice and tight. Create similar sections with rubber bands all over the shirt and sleeves.
2. Prepare the dyebath according to the instructions on the package. Thoroughly wet the shirt with water. Wearing rubber gloves, submerge the shirt in the dye. Let it soak until it looks a shade darker than you want it to be.
3. Still wearing gloves, rinse the shirt under warm running water. As the rinse water becomes less orange, change the water temperature to cold.
4. Once the water from the shirt runs clear, carefully cut off the rubber bands. Dry the shirt.
5. Insert cardboard inside the shirt, then use a permanent marker to draw jack-o'-lantern features inside each circle. Fill in the shapes with the marker, or use black fabric paint (which stays black longer).

Note: For use at a social, Steps 1-4 should be done in advance.

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