Making Jewelry at Home

Start by finding a chain
Try using string, yarn, ribbons, paperclips strung together, rubber bands, a chain of twist ties, or whatever else you can think of!

Decorate
Anything you have in your house could be transformed into jewelry!
Make beads out of buttons, hardware, or by cutting up a straw.
Turn cardboard shapes, small toys, or things you find in nature into pendants. Bottle caps are great for necklaces because you can put pictures or objects inside.
Even the clips on bread bags can become a charm bracelet!

Here’s what I have:

Next, pick a clasp
Experiment with things like safety pins, twist ties, or linked paper clips to help you take your jewelry on and off. Or skip the clasp and tie a knot!

Some clasps I could try:

Put the pieces together
Depending on the materials you're using, you might attach the decorations and chain by poking holes in a pendant, attaching a paperclip or safety pin to create a loop, stringing pieces along like beads, or tying the parts together.

How I’ll attach my parts:

Put it all together, and...
TA-DA!

My decorations:

A sketch of my final design(s):