A. Important note! Lace shoes with the darker colored half of the lace into the lowest “left” eyelet (see above) “bottom” and the lighter colored lace up through the lowest right eyelet. At the top (tongue), the darker half ends up on the left eyelet and the lighter half on the right eyelet. Repeat steps for both shoes.

B. After lacing the shoes, put them on the child’s feet for marking purposes. Tie the initial knot. (See below.)

C. After forming the initial knot, place a marking (dot) on the lighter lace at the base of the knot. Make a second dot approximately 4.5” from the first mark (toward the end of the lace). Fabric pens work best, (it is recommended that you purchase a fabric pen that is the same color as the darker half of the shoelace that you have chosen) but a permanent marker may be used. (See below.)

D. Important note! If using a permanent marker, we suggest that you cover marks with one coat of clear nail polish to prohibit “bleeding.” Allow polish to dry before tying.

Begin steps 1, 2, 3, and 4.

3. Toe of shoe

Pull the laces until they stop!

4. Toe of shoe

We’ve just made our very first knot!

1. Toe of shoe

Cross the laces. Make an X.

2. Toe of shoe

Darker over lighter will work the best! (Tuck the top one under next.)

6. Toe of shoe

After tugging with the other hand, pick up the remaining darker strand.

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Wrap this darker strand around the lighter loop - tightly, of course - then let the darker one droop!

Now let go and see what appears; looks kind of like two bunny ears!

Pull the loops sideways like before. Now your shoe is ready to run out the door!

Take the darker strand and poke it through. Criss-cross the two loopity-loop strings.

Pull the loop to tie your shoe.

Pull the top one down through the opening.

Color Corner
Hey Kids! Color in the laces using a crayon, marker, or colored pencil to match the laces you purchased with your kit.