KEYCHAIN BUDDY

Materials Needed:

☐ 50 Beads
☐ 3 ft. String
☐ Scissors

Start here!

body

eyes

belly

feet

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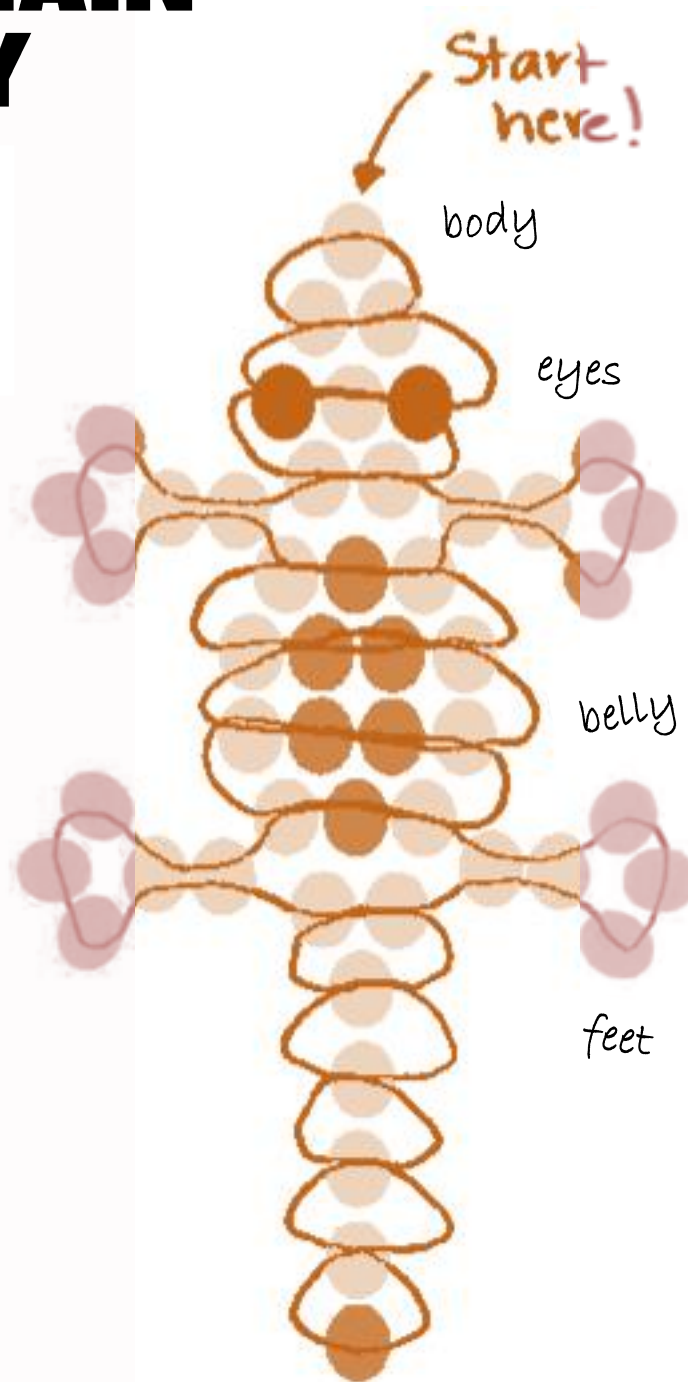
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1. Place 1 body color bead in the middle of the string. This will be your lizard's nose. Now you have a right string and a left string (they should be about the same length).

2. String 2 body color beads onto the right string. Now, thread the left string back through the 2 beads. Pull it tight to make a triangle. These beads are now double-threaded. This is the technique you will use to make the rest of the lizard!

3. Thread 1 eye, 1 body, and then 1 eye color bead onto the right string. Put the left thread back through the 3 beads, and pull tight.

4. String 2 body color beads onto the right string. Put the left string back through, and pull tight.

5. Now you will make the lizard's front feet. Thread 2 body color beads and 3 feet color beads onto the right string. Using the same right string, thread it back through <u>only</u> the 2 body color beads, and pull tight. You may need to hold onto the lizard or also pull on the left side to get it pulled tight enough. Keep pulling it snug; you'll get there!

6. Repeat step 5 using the left string: Thread 2 body color beads and 3 feet color beads onto the left string. Using the same left string, thread it back through <u>only</u> the 2 body color beads, and pull until snug.

7. Thread 1 body, 1 belly, and then 1 body color bead onto the right string, and put the left string back through to double thread.

8. Continue double threading as in step 7 following the color pattern on the shown in the image for the next 3 rows.

9. Repeat steps 5 and 6 to make the lizard's back legs.

10. Once you get to the end of the pattern, tie a double knot and make sure it's secure.

11. Tie the remaining string onto your keychain. Tie a double or triple knot to make sure it's good and secure. If needed, cut the ends of the thread, and you're done!