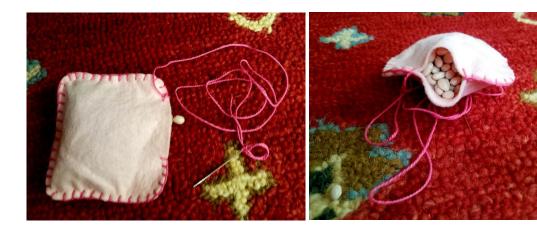


## **Instructions: Beanbags**

Note: You have enough felt pieces to make two beanbags; please make them each one color so that your child can distinguish between them. This will help with future circle activities.



- 1. Pin two felt pieces together.
- 2. Using a single length of thread, begin in the middle of one of the long sides, and stitch around the beanbag using the blanket stitch; leave a hole of about ½ inch.
- 3. Using a small funnel (you can make one out of paper if necessary), fill the beanbag with beans. Each should take no more than ¼ cup. Bags should be filled loosely. If you really want to keep your little ones busy for a while, forgo the funnel and have them put the beans in by hand. Seriously. It's excellent for small motor development.
- 4. Sew the opening closed; make sure to tie a sturdy knot before cutting the thread.