

Upcycling an old T-shirt into a grocery bag



1 Choose an old T-shirt ¹ _____ is not worn out. ² _____ that a bigger T-shirt will make a big bag, ³ _____ a child-size T-shirt will make a smaller bag. Also, keep ⁴ _____ mind that a tattered T-shirt will result ⁵ _____ a shabby bag. For a sturdier bag that holds up ⁶ _____ items, try using an old ⁷ _____.



2 It's a good ⁸ _____ to get everything in one place ⁹ _____ you begin. Bring a ruler, a washable marker, ¹⁰ _____ sharp scissors. You ¹¹ _____ also want a large bowl.



3 Use sharp scissors ¹² _____ around where the sleeves are attached ¹³ _____ the shirt. You can discard the sleeves, use them for another upcycling project, or ¹⁴ _____ keep them to use as dust rags around ¹⁵ _____ house.



4 Now, it is ¹⁶ _____ to cut off the neck area. ¹⁷ _____ a large bowl as a guide and use your marker to trace ¹⁸ _____ edge outline. Remove the bowl and ¹⁹ _____ cut through both layers ²⁰ _____ the T-shirt.



5 Depending on how deep you ²¹ _____ your bag to be, use the ruler and the marker to draw a ²² _____ line across the bottom of the T-shirt. Cut all the way through ²³ _____ layers of the shirt.



6 Use a sewing ²⁴ _____ to join both bottom ends of the T-shirt. In case you don't have one or you don't know ²⁵ _____ to do it, have a ²⁶ _____ do the job for a small amount of ²⁷ _____.



7 This upcycled ²⁸ _____ looks nice on you and saves the ²⁹ _____ because you can use it time and ³⁰ _____ instead of wasting paper or plastic bags at the grocery store. You can even take it to the ³¹ _____ to tote books that you borrow. Be sure to wash it between uses.