

ImpressArt®

"A+ Teacher" – Initial Bezel Necklace

Skill Level: Intermediate

Tools & Supplies

- Ergo-Angle™ Metal Stamping Hammer
- Steel Block
- Stamp Enamel Marker™
- Stamp Guides™
- Stamp Tape™
- Chain Nose Pliers (2)
- Melody™ Letter Stamps, Uppercase & Lowercase, 3mm
- Arcadia™ Letter Stamps, Uppercase, 3mm
- Dot Design Stamp, .5mm
- Large Circle Artisan Bezel Kit, Silver Plated w/ 3/4" Brass Stamping Blank
- Ball Chain Necklace w/ Lobster Clasp Extender, 18"-22", Stainless Steel
- Polishing Cloth, Paper Towel, or Clean Rag

STEP 1

Place ¾" circle stamping blank on stamping block. Set bezel aside.

TIP: Use stamp tape to secure the blank to the stamping block so it doesn't move while stamping.

STEP 2

Stamp desired message around the perimeter of the blank by placing your stamp on the blank and lightly dragging it towards the edge until the outside edge of the stamp is even with the edge of the blank. Then hold stamp flat and firmly in place by anchoring the side of your hand on workspace. Strike stamp once with medium force using Metal Stamping Hammer. Repeat to complete desired message.

TIP: If the stamp has an ImpressArt logo, make sure it is facing you so that the impression is stamped in the correct direction.

TIP: As you work, turn the stamping block. This will ensure that the stamp is facing the correct direction.

TIP: Use the dot design stamp to separate words.

STEP 3

Then position the initial of your choice in the center of the blank and strike once with the hammer using medium force.

STEP 4

Highlight impressions with Stamp Enamel. Wait 3-5 minutes and then wipe away the excess enamel from the surface of the blank.



STEP 5

Use the double-sided bonding adhesive tape that comes with the bezel kit to adhere the stamping blank inside the bezel.

STEP 6

Locate the jump ring that connects the 2" necklace extender to the ball chain. Use the tips of two chain nose pliers to grasp the sides of the jump ring, with the opening of the jump ring facing up between the two pliers. Laterally twist each side of the jump ring in opposite directions to open the ring.

NOTE: Do NOT pull outward on the jump ring as it will weaken the metal and distort the circular shape of the ring.

STEP 7

Remove the ball chain from the jump ring and slide it through the bail of the stamped bezel pendant.

STEP 8

Then place the ball chain back on the jump ring and laterally twist the jump ring back with tension to close.

STEP 9

Close the clasp to complete the necklace.