

## Formative Assessment Teacher Guidelines:

### What is a roving yarn?

The top of spinning fiber that is processed from wool, but not yet spun into a yarn.

### Materials Needed:

- Roving Yarn Fiber Samples (this will help reduce costs — 4 full sample rolls of various colors — Bernat Roving is a good example of a cost-effective yarn)
- Permanent Markers in Different Colors
- Fabric Markers
- Glue Gun with Extra Glue Sticks
- Paper or Plastic Cup for Water
- Embellishments (if desired)

### Teacher Directions:

1. Each student will receive at least 4 ft. of roving yarn. Make sure each student picks up at least four different colors of yarn to equal 4 ft.
2. Allow students to make loops and knots from the yarn.
3. Students may then color the yarn with permanent or fabric markers.
4. A glue gun may be used to add embellishments, if desired.
5. Students may use hot and cold water and/or stretch or compress the yarn as well.
6. Once done (should take 20-30 minutes) display the pieces of artwork. Each artwork should have a designated number by it that is assigned by the teacher.
7. At this time, begin your constructive critique. For discussion questions, see Appendix page 1; go to <http://www.haancrafts.com/sewing-notions-and-supplies/4638-fabric-science-testing-kit.asp> to download and print.