CORNELL TEE SHIRT ART

What you'll need:

- 10"x10" or 12"x12" piece of corkboard or plywood
- Old Cornell tee shirt
- Hot glue gun
- Scissors

Optional:

- Batting material, for a padded, pillowy look
- Wall hanging hardware

Instructions:

1. Cut your optional batting material an inch larger than your desired piece of corkboard or plywood (if your corkboard or plywood is 12"x12", you should cut your batting material to 13"x13").
2. Cover the corkboard or plywood with optional batting, wrap the edges around the back, and secure with hot glue.
3. Cut your tee shirt a bit bigger than your optional batting. If your batting is 13"x13", cut your tee shirt to 13.5"x13.5". If not using batting, cut your tee shirt an inch larger than your desired piece of corkboard or plywood.
4. Cover the corkboard or plywood with the tee shirt. Wrap the edges around the back and secure with hot glue. If using optional batting, make sure to cover the same side that you covered with the batting.
5. Attach optional wall hanging hardware and hang if desired. You're done!

NO-SEW CORNELL TEE SHIRT BAG WITH FRINGE

What you'll need:
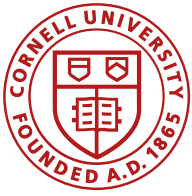
- Old Cornell tee shirt
- Scissors

Optional:

- Masking tape, washi tape, or painter's tape

Instructions:

1. Lay tee shirt flat on your work surface and cut both sleeves off.
2. Cut around the collar of your tee shirt by starting in the middle of one shoulder, cutting a deep loop that extends several inches below the collar, and ends in the middle of the other shoulder. This will be the top opening of your bag.
3. Fold the shirt in half vertically so the shoulders line up. Trim as necessary so both sides of your shirt are even. This will make the handles of your bag and the top opening symmetrical.

4. Cut the hem off the bottom of your tee shirt.

5. Lay the shirt flat and straighten. Use optional tape to mark how high you want your bottom fringe to go. Tip: leaving the fringe shorter creates more room in your bag.

6. Cut fringe roughly one-quarter of an inch wide. Cut across the whole bottom of your tee shirt, making sure you cut through both layers.

7. Pull on each fringe to stretch. Double knot top fringe onto bottom fringe across the whole bottom of your tee shirt. This will close up the bottom of your bag.

8. Look over your bag one final time and trim anywhere necessary. You're done!

CORNELL TEE SHIRT THROW PILLOW

What you'll need:

- Large old Cornell tee shirt
- Scissors
- Sewing machine (preferred, but you can also hand sew)
- Pillow stuffing insert

Instructions:

1. Use your pillow stuffing insert as a guide for how big to make your tee shirt pillowcase. Remember the old saying: measure twice, cut once!

2. Based on these measurements, cut the back pieces of your pillowcase first. There will be two overlapping pieces in the middle of the back of the pillowcase, so you can easily insert your pillow stuffing insert. Make sure these two pieces will overlap by at least an inch, if not more. The hem of the tee shirt will serve as the finished edges of these pieces.

3. Using the measurements of your pillow stuffing insert, cut the front of your pillowcase. You will want this to be the part of your tee shirt with the Cornell design.

4. Place the front of your pillowcase right side up. Then place one of the back pieces on top, with the right side facing in. Match up the edges. Place the second back piece on the bottom, with the right side facing in. Match up the edges. This should create an overlap in the middle of your pillow.

5. Pin around all four edges of the pillow and sew, leaving a small margin around each edge.

6. Flip your pillow inside out. Now all of the right sides will be facing out. Stuff the pillow stuffing insert through the back opening. You're done!