

Scrunchie Ear Protector/Mask Extender

Our heroes' ears are being rubbed raw from wearing masks all day. Mask extenders help; the mask straps loop around the buttons instead of the wearer's ears. You can make a simple mask extender with a scrunchie and two buttons.

Materials:

- A scrunchie (If your scrunchies are quite small, you could loop two of them together.)
- Two flat buttons ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch or larger) (Make sure to use flat buttons with two or four holes; buttons with a shank instead of holes will not work.)
- A needle
- Thread

Instructions:

1. Holding the scrunchie flat, sew a button in the center of one side. (Make sure to sew through the elastic inside the scrunchie. This will keep the buttons from flipping when the mask straps are attached.)
2. Sew the second button on the scrunchie in the same way, directly opposite the first.
3. To use, hold the extender against the back of your head. Put the mask on, hooking the straps around the extender's buttons instead of around your ears.

