Bandolier bag





• Look & Discuss

The artist filled the panels and straps of this bag with embroidered leaves and flowers. If you look carefully, you will see that she also captured the life cycle of a plant in her design.

See if you can find examples of stems, leaves, flowers, and fruits containing the plant's seeds.

How many different types of leaves are there? How many different flowers?

Name all the different colors of beads the artist used. Where do you see these colors repeat across the surface of the design?

How did the artist make her design of leaves and flowers stand out from the background?

How did she make the design interesting? What sorts of lines did she use? How did she vary shapes and sizes? How did she fill each of the spaces that make up the bag?

Finally, what other materials and forms of decoration did she use in addition to the embroidered panels to finish the bag? (Hint: Look at the edges of the bandolier bag.)