Inserting Glass Tubing/Rods in a Stopper

Lubricate the stopper hole and tubing with glycerin or soap solution. Be sure that the tubing size matches the hole opening of the stopper. Insert the top of the tubing in the hole, and wrap the glass in heavy cloth. Grasp the tubing at the point where it enters the stopper. Holding the stopper firmly, rotate the tubing as shown below. The glass should move through the hole with minimum resistance. If it does not, see your teacher.

