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# MAKE A RAIN STICK

You can make music with anything! Put your creative skills to use and make your own instrument—a rain stick—using items from around the house.

## MATERIALS

- 1 Cardboard tube
- 2 Two squares of construction paper
- 3 A handful of paper clips
- 4 A handful of rocks, dry rice, or other small objects
- 5 Extra construction paper for decoration

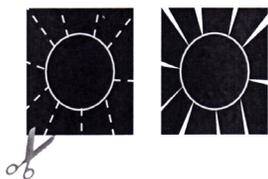
## TOOLS

- 1 Scissors
- 2 Glue stick
- 3 Tape
- 4 Thumbtack



## INSTRUCTIONS

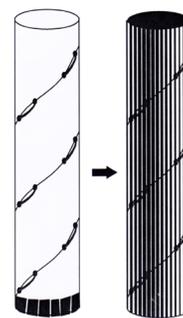
- 1 Trace the circular end shape of the cardboard tube onto the centers of your two construction paper squares.
- 2 Cut lines from the outer edges of the squares to the circles, as indicated by the dotted lines on the diagram.



- 3 Place one of the squares at one end of your cardboard tube and securely tape the flaps down. Reinforce the bottom with extra tape. (Save the other square for Step 8.)
- 4 Bend your paper clips into U shapes.



- 5 Use a thumbtack to punch pairs of holes along the seam of your cardboard tube far enough apart for your U-shaped paper clips to fit in.
- 6 Insert the U-shaped paper clips into holes along the seam.
- 7 Put rocks, dry rice, or other objects inside the tube. Test the sound by holding the open end with your hand and turning the tube upside down.
- 8 Close off the open end with the second square of construction paper and reinforce it with tape.
- 9 Decorate the outside with your favorite colored papers.
- 10 Make some music with your rain stick!



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