

# How to make musical instruments!

In this document we will show you how to make three musical instruments. You can make one, two or all three! Then we would love you to join us playing along to the song 'Under the Sea' in the video in the **'Week 6: Blue'** playlist.

## Shaker

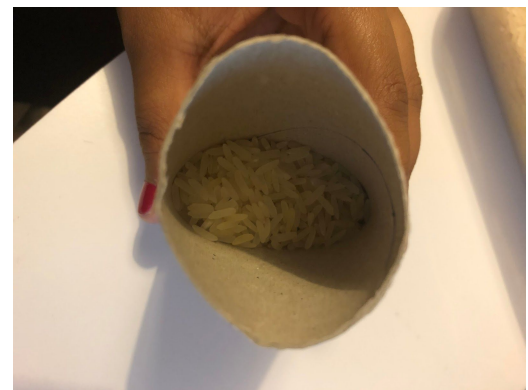
To make your own shaker, you will need:

- X1 toilet roll, or kitchen roll
- Some grains of rice, lentils, buttons, or any other small items that when shaken together make a nice sound
- Scissors
- Sticky tape



**Step 1:** Flatten one end of the toilet roll and use sticky tape to seal the end.

**Step 2:** Fill the tube with some rice



**Step 3:** Flatten the other end of the tube, but in the opposite direction to the first end.

**Step 4:** Use sticky tape to seal this end closed too.



**Step 5:** Decorate your shakers using pens, pencils, or materials of your choice!



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## Stringed instrument

To make your own stringed instrument, you will need:

- Different sized elastic bands (they will make different sounds)
- Plastic container (something sturdy, not a cardboard box)
- Stickers to decorate (or whatever you have to add some decoration)



**Step 1:** Decorate your container with whatever materials you have, i've used some star stickers ★★★★★



**Step 2:** Stretch the elastic bands around the container.

We've used a thick and a thin elastic band, as they have different tension around the container, causing different sounds.

You can experiment with whatever elastic bands and containers you have, to see which combination creates sounds you like when you pluck the elastic band over the hollow section of the container.



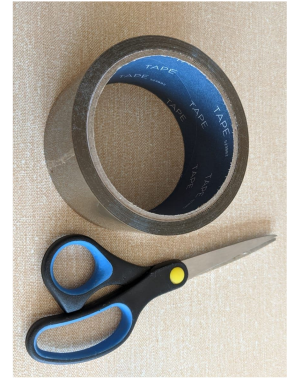


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## Drum

To make your own drum, you will need:

- X1 clean, dry container
- Scissors
- Tape (ideally a thick tape, like parcel tape)
- Things to decorate your container with



**Step 1:** Cut strips of tape to go over the top of the container.

**Step 2:** Stretch each strip tightly over the top and stick down the side of the container. Ensure there are no gaps at the top.



**Step 3:** Decorate the container - you could use stickers, pens, paint, whatever you have!

**Step 4:** Try tapping your drum to make sounds!