

Make your own musical instrument!

What to do

- Look at your collected materials together and explore the different sounds you can make by hitting, scraping, shaking and plucking (wind instruments are much harder than they look!).
- Explore combining materials to make new sounds (*rice in a crisp tube to make a shaker, elastic bands stretched over a box can be plucked, paper, cellophane or a balloon pulled over a jar to make a drum, etc.*)
- You can enjoy keeping the materials fixed in temporary ways to allow for continual rebuilding and design changes or fix more permanently to make an instrument which can be decorated, played with and performed with.

What you need

Recycled packaging (such as boxes, tins, tubes, plastic tubs, paper, paper cups, jar lids, tins, bottle tops, cellophane wrappers).
Things to make shaker filling (e.g. rice, sand)
String, elastic bands, ribbons, balloons
Pencils as beaters



Some ideas!

