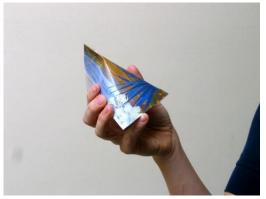


The theme for today is:

Make Music

These are the kind of activities that we do with the children during a regular week at afterschool club. If some of the activities require certain materials that you might not have at home or suggest group participation, don't worry hopefully they will give you the inspiration to improvise where necessary. Have fun!

Post-Card Shaker



Materials: Two Post Cards (or one Greeting Card), Rice (filling), and Tape

Tape the post cards together along three edges.

Fill with one Tbsp of Rice or similar filling.

Fold the remaining edge at a 90-degree angle to the opposite side. (It will look like a triangle when viewed from the side.)

Tape the remaining side.

Cup Drums



Materials: Cup with handle, Balloon (9-12"), Tape

Cut a balloon near the widest point, so you have a little more than $\frac{1}{2}$ circle.

Stretch the balloon over the cup and secure it with tape.

Play by "pinching" the drum "head."

Plate Maracas and Ocean Drum



Materials: Two plastic or hard paper plates, Filling (rice or beans), and Tape

This also makes a great art project. Decorate plates with paint, fabric, and more!

Pour 1 Tbsp (Ocean Drum) or 3 Tbsp (Maraca) of filling into one plate. Staple the second plate to the first (edges together).

Tape around the edge.



Tubaphone "Dinosaur Call"

Materials: Long plastic tube (golf club tube), latex glove, drinking straw, tape

Method:

Cut the tube to about 14-15"

Tape the glove opening around one end of the plastic tube.

Cut the tip off the 'thumb' of the glove, insert 2" of the straw and tape around.

Pull the glove back towards the open end of the tube with the "fingers" pointing out and use the straw to fill it with air.

With the glove full of air, change the tension on the glove until air begins to escape through the tube and makes a sound. You have the option of taping the straw to the tube at this time.

Note: Attach the glove to the thick end of the tube. Sharp edges could cut into the latex. Place tape over any sharp edges. Pull the 'thumb" towards the open end of the tube and tape into place.



Musical Glasses

Get some glasses (not your best ones) and fill them to different levels with water.

Add a little food colouring to give visual impact too.

Take a wooded spoon (or a pencil) and gently tap the outide of the glasses and see how the level of water affects the sound that they make. The higher the fill the deeper the sound.

Take it in turns to pay a tune and see who can guess what it is.

Tissue box guitar



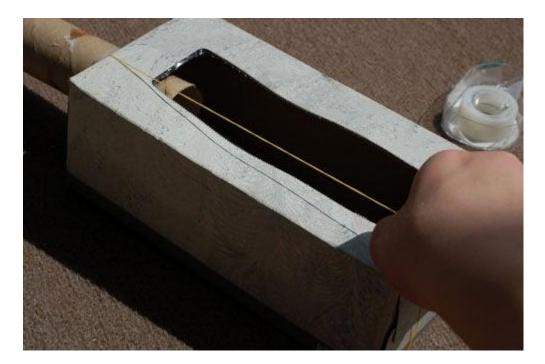
Take an old empty tissue box. A long box rather than a square one is preferable.

Cut off the top cellophane or cardboard. Use scissors or a knife to cut around the edge of the opening to get out the plastic that the tissues come through. This will make it easier to strum



Cut a hole on the top side of the box for the roll. Put the paper towel roll on top, trace it with a marker, and cut along the lines.

Insert the paper towel roll in the hole. Make sure it's about two to three inches in. Tape may be used to hold the roll in place and make it sturdy.



Add the rubber band strings. Wrap a couple of rubber bands around on each side of the paper towel roll. Different types and sizes of rubber bands may be used to create different tones and sounds.

Alternatively cut your rubber bands so that they are lengths of elastic. Stretch them across your box and tape them securely at both ends. Stretch some tightly (so that the band it thinner) and some not so tight (so that the band is thicker) to make different sounds when you strum.





Play a Tune

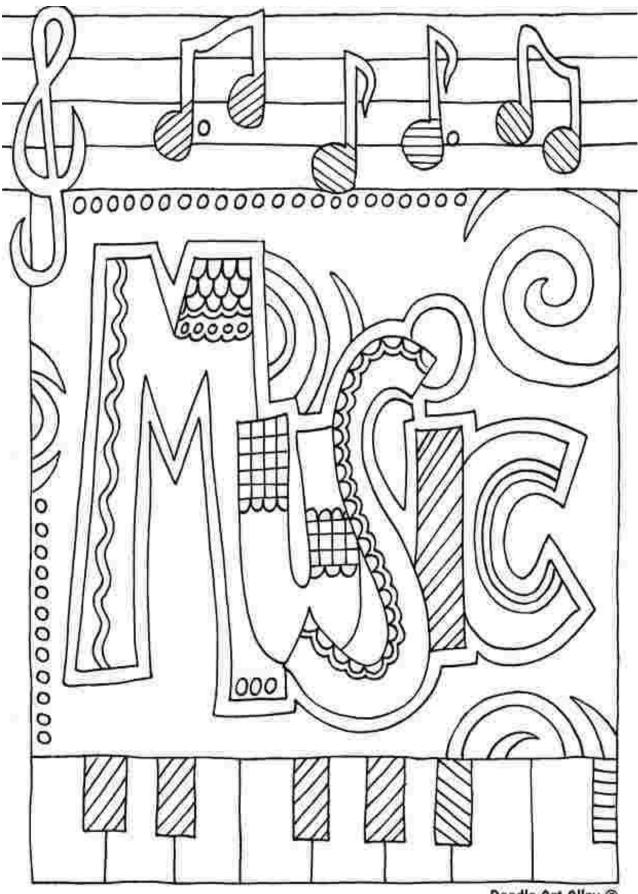
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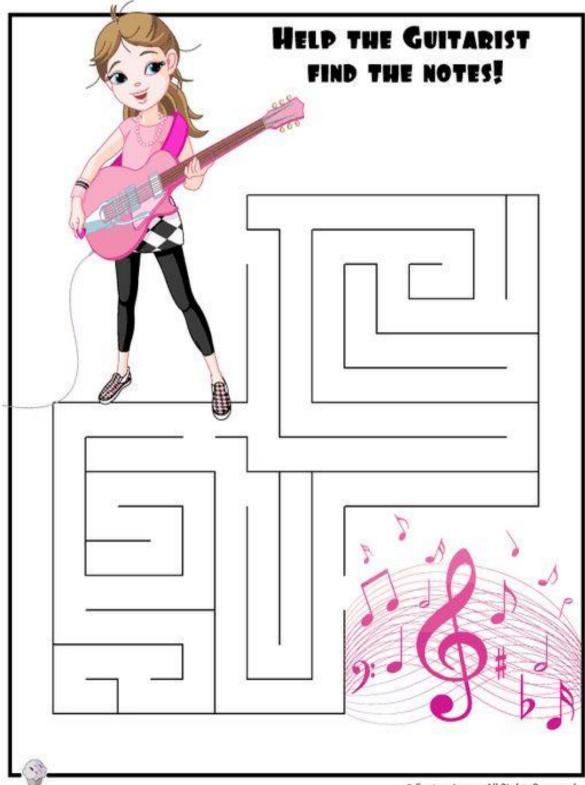
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