



# Do at Home Craft

This week's crafting activity... **Music Making!**

Create a song by using objects from around your house!

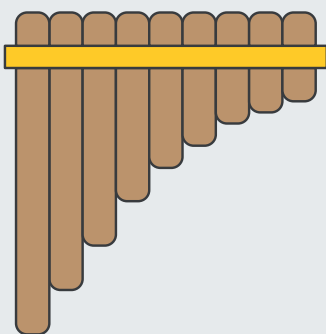
## You will need:

- Soup cans / Pringles container
- Knife & forks
- Wooden spoons
- Pans
- Rice
- Straws

## Make music!

### Homemade Harmonica

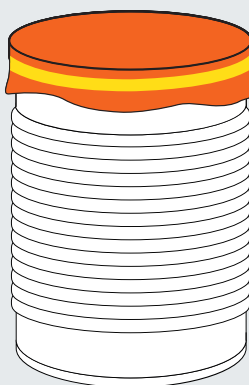
Harmonicas are fascinating, with their petite size and distinct sound, but how do they work? If you take a look at the inside of a harmonica, you will see that thin strips of brass - all different lengths - vibrate when you breathe into the harp. You can mimic this setup by taping different sized straws together and blowing into the airways. Or, filling glasses with different amounts of water and lightly dinging the rim of the glass with a spoon.



### Can Drums

You can create drums at home by using everyday items like soup cans, Pringles containers, or even a tabletop! All you need is some kind of a drum stick to tap along with.

To make a drum, take the top off a can using the safety can opener, remove the contents, and wash and dry the can. Then cut the bottom off a balloon and stretch it tight over the open top of the can. Secure the balloon with a rubber band, and your drum is ready to play!



### Water Xylophone

If you're looking for an instrument with a multitude of sounds, you may want to offer this musical water xylophone. By filling the cups with different amounts of water and tapping the glasses with a spoon, you can hear all the different tones that are produced. Start tapping a beat to a certain tempo with one cup and add another sound or a different cup. Soon you'll be on your way to making your very own homemade musical masterpiece!



**Record your song and share it with the YMCA!**  
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