

Harmony's Music Club's Instrument Making Guide





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We are so excited that you're coming to our interactive performance of Paddington Bear's First Concert. This is a very special concert not only because it's the first time we've got to perform publicly in SUCH a long time, but because YOU are part of the concert too!

You see, the story and music are wonderfully descriptive and crying out for sound effects and we are hoping that you can help us to make them during the concert?



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So, if you'd like to, why not use this guide to make some percussion instruments to bring with you on concert day to join in? We'll be running a short sound effects workshop before we start, but don't worry if you don't make any as you'll still be able to join in, if you want.

Are you ready? Let's go!

The Toilet Roll Shaker

Supplies Needed:

- · 1 toilet roll
- · Stapler and/or sticky tape
- · Filling of your choice
- · Things to decorate

Steps:

 Decorate the outside of your toilet roll.



Our Toilet Roll Shaker

- Pinch one end of the toilet roll closed then staple and/or seal it shut with sticky tape so that that end is sealed. Sticky tape is good to stop contents escaping!
- 3. Explore the sounds of different fillings for your shaker, like paper clips, lentils, rice, soil, beads etc. by shaking them in the toilet roll.
- 4. Choose your preferred sound, add it to the toilet roll and seal the other end as per step 2.

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The Magical 3-in-1

Supplies Needed:

- · Clean and dry empty tin can
- Filling of your choice
- · Sticky tape
- · Balloon or masking tape
- Scissors





Our Magical 3-in-1 with Balloon

Steps:

Instrument I - Shaker

- 1. Explore the sounds of different objects like in Toilet Roll Shaker by shaking them in your tin can. Decide which sound you prefer.
- 2. Add your preferred amount of your preferred filling to your tin can but don't fill it to the top.
- 3. See Instrument II to form the lid of the shaker

Instrument II - Drum (and lid for Shaker)

Snip the neck off the balloon, stretch its body tightly across the tin can's opening and secure with sticky tape. If you don't have a balloon you can seal with masking tape - but pull it taut.

Instrument III - Guiro

Scrape a pen/pencil/chopstick etc. up and down the ridges.

Supplies needed:

- Strong but foldable cardboard
- · Clackety sound
- · Glue

Steps:

Things to decorate

Castanets



Our Crocodile Castanets

1. Cut out a rectangular piece of cardboard c12cm x 6cm.

- 2. Fold in half and decorate.
- 3. Explore the different sounds of items which, when tapped together, produce a clackety sound like coins, bottle tops, tube lids, buttons etc.
- 4. Glue your preferred clackety sounds inside your castanets so that they tap together.

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