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How to Make a Drum



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Did you know that you can make
a **drum**?

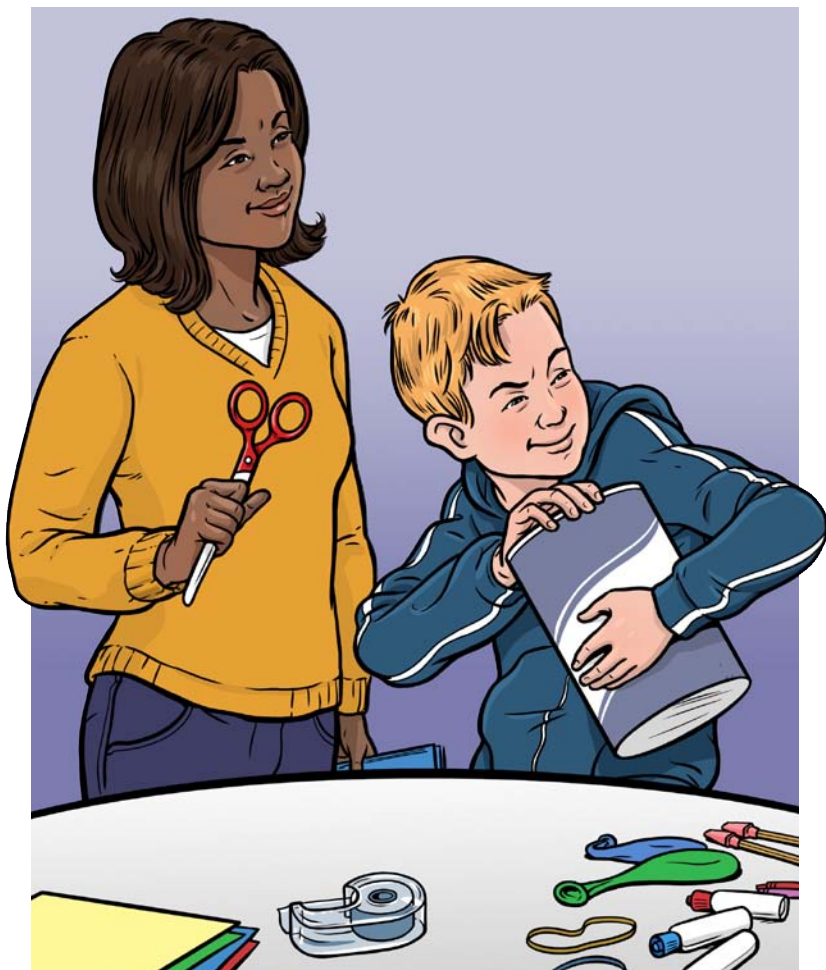
It's fun and easy to do.

Just follow the steps in this book.



What You Will Need:

- an empty cardboard tube
- scissors (plus an adult to use them)
- two balloons
- two rubber bands
- construction paper
- tape
- crayons, markers, or paint
- two pencils with eraser tops
(for drumsticks)



You should have an adult nearby to help you.

You will start with a **tube** made out of **cardboard**.

An empty oatmeal box works well.



First, take the top off the empty oatmeal box.

Have the adult help punch or cut out the bottom.

You should now have a tube that is open at both ends.



Next, cover the outside of the drum with construction paper.

Use tape to hold the construction paper in place.



Then use markers, crayons, or paint to make your drum look the way you want.

Use colors and shapes to make your drum look special.



Have an adult use the **scissors** to cut off the small ends of both **balloons**.



Stretch one balloon over each end of the tube.



Ask the adult to use a rubber band to hold each balloon in place.



Now your drum is ready
to be played.



Use the pencils as **drumsticks**
to make drum sounds.



Have fun with your new drum!



Do You Know?

Drums made of different things of different sizes make different sounds.

Try making a drum out of a toilet paper roll.

Make one out of an empty coffee can and leave the bottom on.

How does the sound change?

Glossary

balloons (n.)	a thin bag, usually made of rubber, that is filled with air and tied (p. 9)
cardboard (n.)	stiff, thick paper (p. 5)
drum (n.)	a round musical instrument that is played by hitting it with hands or sticks (p. 3)
drumsticks (n.)	long, thin sticks, often made of wood, that are used to play drums (p. 13)
scissors (n.)	a tool for cutting that has two blades that are joined in the middle (p. 9)
tube (n.)	a long, hollow, rounded container (p. 5)

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