

MUSIC ACTIVITIES FOR SUMMER

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BIRD SONG

Listen to the birds chirping outside.
Then, draw the shape of the melody you hear.

EXAMPLE 1



EXAMPLE 2



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SOUNDS OUTSIDE

Sit outside and listen to the sounds around you. What do you hear?
Circle all that apply. Then, color in the images you circled.



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SOUNDS OUTSIDE

Sit outside and listen to the sounds around you. Draw a picture of everything you
hear. Then, color in the images that create melodies or rhythms.

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TRAVELING NOTE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Color and cut out the music notes on the bottom of this sheet.
2. Then, place the traveling note letters in an envelope along with one of the music notes.
3. Mail the letter to a family member or friend.
4. The further the note travels, and the more notes you send, the more interesting the results will be!
5. Share the returned notes with your family and friends.



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TRAVELING NOTE

1. Go to your favorite location to listen to music. Then, take a picture of the traveling music note in this location.
2. Fill out this form and mail it back to me (along with the photograph).

NAME OF LOCATION:

WHAT MUSIC DO YOU LIKE TO LISTEN TO, AND WHY?

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STEADY BEAT SOUNDS

Make a steady beat sound with each of the body parts below.
Then, color in each image.



CLAP



SNAP



PAT



STAMP

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STEADY BEAT SOUNDS

What other steady beat sounds can you make with your body?
Draw a picture of you creating these sounds in the box below.

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STEADY BEAT CHANT

Create a chant to go along with your steady beat sound.
Circle the word that describes the tempo of your chant.

CHANT EXAMPLE

Down to the baker's shop, hop, hop, hop!
For my mother said, "Buy a loaf of bread."
Down to the baker's shop, hop, hop, hop!

SLOW

MEDIUM

FAST

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SCIENCE OF SOUND

Get permission before gathering the materials for this science experiment.

Materials

- ☐ 3 glass cups (all the same size)
- ☐ Food coloring (optional)
- ☐ Water (enough to fill all cups)
- ☐ Spoon

Directions

- Fill each glass with a different amount of water.
- Lightly tap each glass with the spoon.
- Record your findings on the bottom of this page.
- Use the vocabulary to describe what you discovered.

Vocabulary

Lower
Higher
Medium
Less
More
Bigger
Smaller
Vibrations
Pitch

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WATER GLASS COMPOSITION

DIRECTIONS

Use the water glasses from your science experiment to create a composition.

- Add or take out water to make each glass a different pitch.
- Try to aim for a low, medium, and high pitch.
- Use food coloring to make the water in each glass a different color.
- Color the chart below using the same colors you added to each water glass.
- Color in the circles to create your composition.
- When you're finished, play the composition with a steady beat.
- Finally, write the title of your composition in the box below.

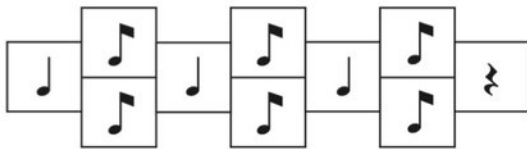
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MUSICAL HOPSCOTCH

PLAYERS
2-4

MATERIALS
chalk and a rock or other small object.

- DIRECTIONS**
- Use sidewalk chalk to draw the map below on pavement or blacktop.
 - Toss the object into the first square (quarter note).
 - The object can't touch a border or bounce out. If it does, you lose your turn.
 - Hop through the course using one foot for each square and both feet for two squares. Skip over the square with the object.
 - When you've reached the rest at the end, turn around and hop back. Pick up the rock on your way.
 - The first person to toss the rock into each square, and complete the course each time, wins the game.



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NATURE'S RHYTHMS

DIRECTIONS

- Go on a nature walk and look for the items below.
- Circle the items you see.
- Write the rhythm that matches what you saw in the boxes below.

EXAMPLE #1 (BEAR)	EXAMPLE #2 (BEEHIVE)		

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NATURE'S RHYTHMS

DIRECTIONS

- For each item you find, write the rhythm that matches it.

RABBIT	BIRD	LEAF	FLOWER

CLOUD	BUG	TREE BRANCH	PEBBLE

DANDELION	WATER	GRASS	SAND

DIRT	WEB	MOUNTAIN	RIVER

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NATURE'S RHYTHMS

DIRECTIONS

- Use the rhythms you found in nature to create a new rhythmic composition.
- Use a found object (bucket, pencils, etc.) to play your composition.

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- Use the rhythms you found in nature to create a new rhythmic composition.
- Use body percussion (clap, pat, stamp, snap etc.) to play your composition.

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DANCE TO THE MUSIC

DIRECTIONS

- Create steady beat movements to go along with your favorite song.
- Try copying some of the movements below.
- Color in the images of the movements you copy.



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HOMEMADE SHAKERS

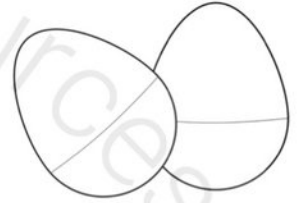
Get permission before gathering the materials for homemade instruments.

Materials

- 2 empty plastic eggs
- Popcorn kernels, dry beans, or small beads

Directions

- Fill each egg with the objects.
- Close the egg tightly.
- Wrap tape around the seal to make it strong.
- Shake and enjoy!



HOMEMADE MARACAS

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Materials

- 2 empty plastic bottles
- Popcorn kernels, dry beans, or small beads

Directions

- Fill each container with the objects.
- Close the cap tightly. Shake and enjoy!



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HOMEMADE KAZOO

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Materials

- Empty toilet paper roll
- Wax paper
- Scissors
- Rubber band
- Hole puncher

Directions

- Use a hole puncher to create a hole about 3/4 of an inch from the end of the tube.
- Cut a piece of wax paper large enough to fit over and around one end of the tube.
- Place the wax paper over the end of the tube where you just punched the hole.
- Secure the wax paper tightly to the roll with a rubber band.
- Put the open end of the toilet paper roll to your mouth and sing!

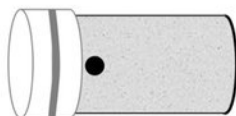
Punch hole in the toilet roll



Cover the end with wax paper



Secure tightly with rubber band



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HOMEMADE CHIMES

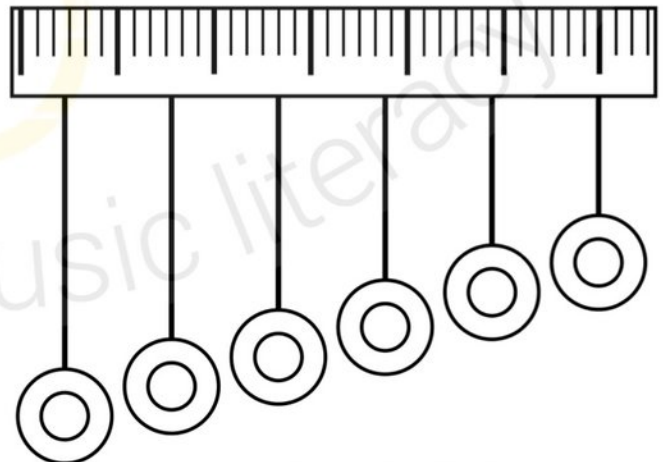
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Materials

- Metal washers
- String or yarn
- Ruler
- Tape
- Spoon

Directions

- Cut varying lengths of yarn.
- Tie it to the ruler in different places.
- Keep them in place with tape.
- Tie the washers to the other end of the yarn.
- Make music by hitting the washers with the spoon.



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