



# TO THE BEAT OF MY NAME

## AGES 0-2

### **DIRECTIONS:**

Sing a song using the child's name and then when saying the name, use a drum or the bottom of a plastic container or cooking pot to beat the syllables of the child's name. Encourage the child to beat the "drum" along with you.

Tune: Farmer in the Dell

I can drum my name

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My name is very special

I can drum my name

(drum the child's name in syllables: for example Ce-Cel- ya)

### **INCLUDING INFANTS:**

Sing in a soft tone then a louder tone, sing in a slow tempo, then a fast tempo. If the child is able, allow to drum with you.

### **TODDLER TIPS:**

After you do it once with the toddler, give them the drum and you sing while they drum.

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# MARACAS

## AGES 3-5

### MATERIALS

- toilet paper rolls
- duct tape
- paint
- paint brushes
- rice or small beads
- glue gun
- scissors

### DIRECTIONS

1. Cover the end of one toilet paper roll with duct tape
2. Fill the toilet paper roll halfway with rice or small beads. This part of the craft is a great sensory activity for little hands!
3. After the rice is inside the roll, cover the other end of the roll with duct tape.
4. Once the maraca is sealed, make a sleeve for it from another toilet paper roll so you can paint it. Slit another roll all the way down one side and wrap it around the rice-filled maraca.
5. Glue the outer roll around the maraca.
6. Have your child paint the maraca sleeve any way they wish! Start with a solid base color and then paint on a design or pattern.
7. Once the maracas are dry, make some music!

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# RATTLE DRUM

AGES 6-8

## MATERIALS

- 2 paper plates
- red paint
- paint brushes
- masking tape
- stapler
- wooden stick or skewer
- string (preferably red)
- 2 small bells
- stickers, or paper, scissors, markers and glue (so you can doodle some drawings and decorate with them)

## DIRECTIONS

1. Paint the outside of two paper plates. Allow the paint to dry.
2. Tape the wooden stick to the inside of the plate making the handle reasonable length for holding.
3. Tie 6-inch pieces of string to the bells and then tape the ends of the string to the side of the inside of the first plate. Repeat steps for the other side.
4. Staple the second paper plate to the first one with the curved side of both facing outward.
5. Decorate your plates with stickers or drawings that you glue on.
6. Place the stick of your drum in between two hands and rub together to rotate the drum and make music!

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