

# Instrument Invention

Grades 2-8



How it works: Have students invent a new instrument. They could draw a picture of it and describe how it is played, how it's constructed, and what it sounds like, or they could make one out of recycled materials. For example, you can make a horn out of an old paper towel tube: poke holes in it and you have a recycled clarinet. You can also make a shaker instrument out of an empty container and dried beans or rice.

What you'll need: an empty container and dried beans or rice, old paper towel tube, scissors, an empty plastic bowl w/a lid and/or empty cardboard box (for drums)