WIND CHIME

BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

Recommended Ages: Grades K - 5

Estimated Time: 20 - 30 minutes

Stuff you’ll need:

- Plastic bottle (like a sports drink bottle)
- Acrylic Paint
- Paint Brush
- Yarn, Twine, or other String
- Pony Beads
- Colorful Plastic Straws
- Large Buttons or Metal Washers
- Hole Punch
- Hammer and Nail

Caregivers should consider: Be sure to follow all safety guidelines when going outdoors. Girls should ask permission before using any materials.

THE FUN PART

1. Ask an adult to help you cut off the top portion of the plastic bottle. TIP: A craft knife or serrated bread knife works well.

2. Get creative! Paint your plastic bottle with the acrylic paint.

3. Once the paint is dry, use the hole punch to punch evenly spaced holes around the bottom of the bottle. Four holes should be enough.

4. Cut four strands of string at least 12 inches long – they should be similar lengths.

5. Tie a button or metal washer at the end of each of the strings. Now you can start decorating your strings with beads. Make sure to leave about 4 inches at the top of the string.

6. Ask an adult to help punch a hole through the center of the top of the bottle. TIP: Use a hammer and nail to punch a hole through the plastic.

7. Tie each of your beaded strings to the holes you punched at the bottom of the bottle.

8. Tie a knot in a string about 12 inches long. Thread through the center hole and tie a loop in the string. Hang your wind chime outside and listen to its beautiful music!

9. Way to go! You did it! Share on social media with your caregiver’s permission. Use the hashtag #GSGIDIY