



Take-away Tambours

Resources

Take-away tubs, lids, pasta, rice, lentils, baking beans, glue, strong broad sticky tape

Learning opportunities

- Develop listening skills and expressive language
- Physical development- gross and fine motor skills
- Develop a sense of beat and rhythm
- Develop social interaction

Activity ideas

- **(Child must be supervised at all times. Lids to be firmly glued and then sealed with strong sticky tape)**
- Experiment making sounds with the tubs, filled and unfilled. Pat and shake the tubs.
- Alter the speed with which the tub is patted or shaken. Are the sounds made the same or different? Use words to describe the sounds made.
- Pass the tub around from one person to another trying not to make a sound.
- Have two tubs filled with the same materials, i.e. two with pasta, two with rice. Hide one of each pair behind a screen, allowing the other two to be visible. Somebody plays one of the hidden tambours. Another person tries to find the matching tambour from the visible ones.
- Use the tambours to make up rhythms, copy rhythms made by an adult or child.
- March around using the tambours, striking the tambour with the hand in time to the beat.
- Listening to a nursery rhyme or song tap out the beat as it is listened to or played.

