

Rainstick



You will need:

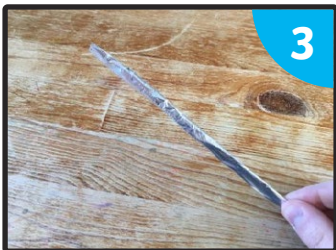
- Cardboard tubes
- Aluminium foil
- Rice
- Sticky tape
- Coloured paper
- Felt-tip pens or crayons
- Scissors
- Wooden spoon
- Broom or mop handle
- Funnel (optional)



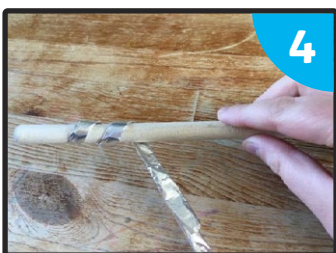
1 Tear off a long sheet of foil about 25cm in length.



2 Twist the foil into a snake-like shape and wrap it around the broom handle to make a coil shape.



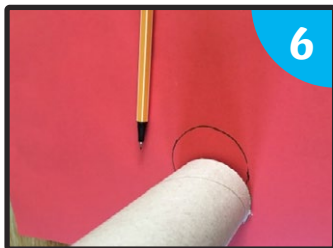
3 Tear a sheet of foil into a smaller piece, about 18cm in length. Twist it into a thinner, wire-like shape.



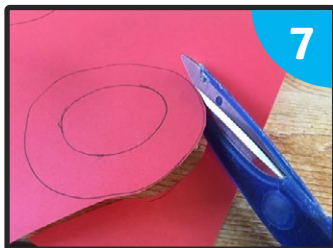
4 Wrap this thinner wire around the handle of a wooden spoon to make a tight, spiral shape.



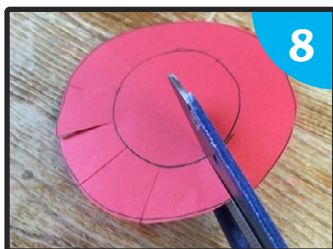
5 Insert the thinner spiral into the thicker coil.



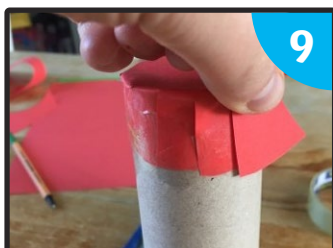
Place the cardboard tube on to a piece of coloured paper and draw a circle around it. Repeat for the other end of the cardboard tube.



Draw a bigger circle around the original circle and use scissors to cut out the larger circle.



Make a series of cuts from the outside of the circle to the inner circle.



Fold the paper cuts up on to the roll and secure them with sticky tape.



Once the end of the roll is secured, insert the foil coils into the roll. Pour half a cup full of rice into the roll - you may wish to use a funnel for this.



Secure the other end of the roll with the paper circle using sticky tape. Check both ends are securely stuck down.



Decorate a piece of coloured paper with a lovely design for your rainstick. Wrap the decorated paper around the tube and attach with sticky tape. You are ready to make your own rain dance using your rainstick!