

You will need:

- Sticks of various lengths and thicknesses.
- String.
- Strong thin sticks to use as beaters.
- A drill and drill bit that can make a hole big enough for your string to pass through.
- Gloves for safely cutting and drilling the sticks.
- A saw.
- Scissors



Wooden Chimes



Stay safe!

Always ask an adult to help if you need to cut, saw or drill!

Wear a work or garden glove to protect the hand that is holding the stick whilst cutting or drilling or hold the stick still in a vice.



Instructions:

- Find a selection of sticks of different length and thickness. Tap each stick with a beater to discover what sound or note it makes. Choose a selection that give you an interesting range of sounds or notes.
- Cut the sticks into different lengths if they need it.
- Drill a hole in one end of each stick. The hole needs to be big enough to allow the string to pass through it.
- Using scissors, cut the string and feed it through the hole in the stick. In this example, each stick has its own piece of string, but all the sticks could be threaded onto one long piece of string and strung between two vertical poles, such as tree trunks.
- If using the method shown in the image, tie each stick to a horizontal bar, such as a branch, and your instrument is ready!
- Using your new wild instrument, can you make the sound of rain drops or a gently gurgling stream?