



PMC's FUN WITH DRUMS

'Make Your Own Cowbell'

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Audience focus ages/grades – This project can typically be made by children ages 9 to 13 without much assistance. Students ages 6 to 8 will need some older student or adult help.

Resources – Go to www.PlayDrums.com for more information about playing drums, and go to www.RootsofRhythm.net for similar drum making projects.

Materials

1. Soup can – small or large
2. Dowel 3/8" x 10" or pencil for a beater

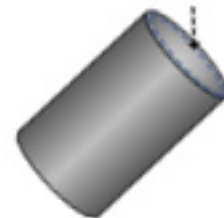
Tools

1. Pliers to crimp sharp edges of the can
2. Can opener – manual or electric
3. Soap and water to clean the cans

Step 1: Completely remove the lid, and wash/dry the can



Step 2: If needed, use pliers/hammer to flatten can opening's sharp edge



Step 3: Carefully press your shoe onto the can's open end to make it oval-shaped



Two ways to play!

Hit the Cowbell – hold the can by the closed end and hit the open end



Scrape the Cowbell – hold the closed end and scrape the can's side ridges

