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An African shaker

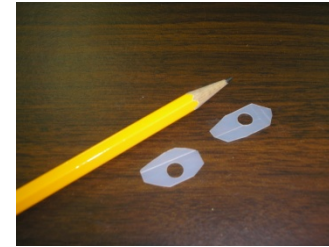


Materials.

Two plastic-like ping pong balls.
Cut up pieces of a milk jug
5½ inches of cord/shoelace
Popcorn seeds or pebbles
Hot glue gun
Paint
Hole punch
Small stick file

1. Assemble tools and supplies.
2. Poke a tiny hole in each of the ping pong balls. Use stick file to enlarge a small oval opening just barely large enough to push your popcorn seeds through, and then just a little longer in the other direction
3. Put 40 popcorn seeds in each ball.

4. Cut a piece of plastic milk jug into two small ovals one inch long, and the same width as the longest part of the hole in your ball. Punch a hole in the center of the plastic piece.



5. Cut a piece of cord 5½ inches long and seal/melt the ends so it won't unravel. String the cord through the hole in the ping pong ball and tie a small knot so it won't come back through. Do both ends. Knot to knot, the cord must now be 4½ inches long. Really.....exactly.....



6. Push the knot and the plastic piece into each ping pong ball, carefully.... Without ripping the ball.
7. Carefully squirt hot glue into the hole to land on top of the tiny plastic piece and gently pull up so the glue attaches the plastic piece to the hole in the ping pong ball, sealing it shut. Hold it 'til it cools. Do both sides.
8. Paint the ball a base color and then decorate.

