

Bamboo Shaker

Materials

- 2 sections of bamboo, approximately 3" long and 2" diameter
- 1 Tablespoon tiny pebbles or unpopped popcorn
- 4 circles of thin rawhide 3.5 inches in diameter
- 1 cup of cool water
- 1 safety pin
- 2 20" pieces of embroidery floss or thin string
- 1 large sewing needle with an eye large enough for the floss
- Fine sandpaper



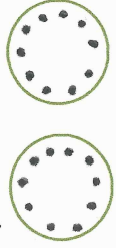
1 Place the circles of rawhide in the cool water to soak for 5-10 minutes.

2 Sand the edges of the bamboo smooth and flat.

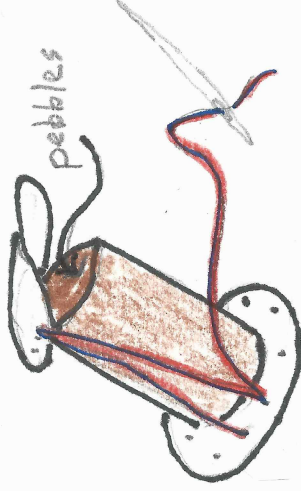
Work over a trash can so you don't make a mess.

3. Poke holes around the edge of each circle of

rawhide, approximately one centimeter from the edge, and one centimeter from each other. Both circles should have the same number of holes.



4. Place the rawhide circles at either end of the bamboo. Thread the floss through the needle and start to sew the circles onto the ends, moving from one piece of rawhide to the other. Before you close up the circles entirely, put 1 Tbsp of pebbles in the inside of the bamboo.



5. Tie the floss securely and decoratively.

6. Repeat for second bamboo shaker.

7. Decorate the rawhide circles with stencils or "freehand" once it is dry.