## DISCOVERY AT HOME

## Rain Stick Craft

Have you ever wondered why it rains? Water vapor rises into the atmosphere. As it cools, it condenses and combines with tiny particles to form clouds. If the water droplets get big enough, they fall to the earth as rain! Capture the sound of rain and bring it inside with this awesome rain stick craft.

## Supplies:

- A paper towel tube
- Tape
- Scissors
- Paper
- Tin foil
- Dry beans, rice, or popcorn
- Markers, crayons, paint, stickers, ribbon, or whatever else you want to decorate with!

## Instructions:

- 1. Place all your supplies on a clear surface with plenty of room to create.
- 2. Cut out two small pieces of paper to wrap over the ends of your tube, and one larger piece of paper to decorate and cover your tube. Ask an adult to help if you need it!
- 3. Using art supplies, decorate your paper however you want. Be creative!
- 4. Tape a small piece of paper around the end of your paper towel tube.
- 5. Scrunch the tin foil to make a snake like coil and put it inside the tube.
- 6. Fill the tube with beans, rice, or popcorn! *Tip: Try using a funnel or a cone of paper to fill the tube.*
- 7. Tape the second small piece of paper to the end of the tube.
- 8. Wrap the tube in your decorated paper and tape it in place. *Optional: Add more décor! Try ribbon, string, jewels, or feathers!*
- 9. Turn your stick over and listen to the sweet sound of rain falling!









