

Creative Curriculum Challenge 8

Sounds and Sequences (Music)

While you're at home, our challenge for you is to create some music!

Anything can be your inspiration. Look at this kalimba collected by explorer Gertrude Benham. It's made from wood, metal and shell and comes from The Democratic Republic of Congo. It makes a beautiful sound.

Rather than making your own instruments, we want you to harness the power of things around you. Household objects can make the most amazing sounds!

Try tapping things with your fingers, or a wooden or metal spoon – those springs that stop doors slamming are particularly good. Do this with adults – don't damage anything!

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Stretch Challenge

Can you turn your sounds into a song? With free software (such as Garageband for iOS or BandLab for Android), use the microphone to record the sounds you've created. Copy and paste them into your sequencer (there are lots of tutorials on how to do this online). Layer them up until you're happy with the result. Try using a 4/4 beat and mapping your sounds to the sequencer. Think about your sounds. Which ones make a low sound like a kick drum? Which ones could you use as a special effect?

Once you've completed your challenge, send us a photo or MP3 to theboxlearning@plymouth.gov.uk by the end of Sunday. We'll pick a lucky winner (under 18s only) to receive a bag of goodies from our shop! Make sure you add it to your school home learning book too.