

MAKE A DIFFERENCE SOUNDWALL

Materials

- Plastic picket fence
- Inexpensive materials that will make a variety of sounds like plastic cups, washboard, wind chimes, pizza tin
- Drill, screwdriver, bolts, washers

Steps

- Thoughtfully arrange your materials on the fence at a level within a child's reach
- Drill holes in items and fence if necessary
- Secure your gathered materials to the fence using the bolts and washers

TIPS

When choosing your materials, consider that infants will grab and may attempt to put materials in their mouths. Choose materials that are not choking hazards. If it can fit into a paper towel tube, choose something larger.

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Benefits of Sound Play

This soundwall encourages spontaneous interaction and experimentation with sound. As the infant explores the different materials, they are hearing different tones and patterns. This is early music exploration. The role of the adult is to listen, model and repeat patterns the baby makes and most of all have fun.