



ALL about the BEATS!

*Check out the Kidsville at home video featuring Thomas Rose as he showcases three ways to play some beats.

In music, the **beat** is the steady pulse that you feel in the tune, like a clock's tick or your heart's *beat*.



The **beat** is what you naturally clap along or tap your foot to.



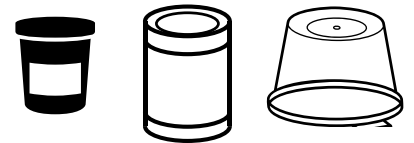
A fast song will have more **beats** in it than a slow song.

DJEMBE

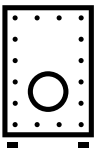


A djembe (pronounced "jimbay") is a rope-tuned skin-covered goblet drum played with bare hands, originally from West Africa. The name of the djembe comes from the saying "Anke djé, anke bé" which translates to mean, "everyone gather together".

MAKE A DJEMBE at home: Gather an oatmeal canister, yogurt tub, bowl or other round food container like the tall, goblet shape of a djembe and the lid or bottom of the container can be like the skin-covered top.

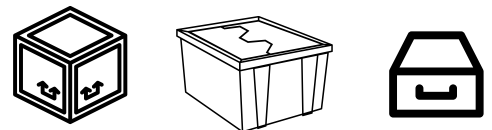


CAJÓN



A cajón (pronounced "kə'hone") is a box-shaped wooden percussion instrument originally from Peru, played by slapping the front or back with the hands, fingers, or sometimes brushes, mallets, or sticks. The name of cajón comes from the Spanish word for "box", "crate" or "drawer".

MAKE A CAJON at home: Gather a box, crate or drawer from your house and play it like a cajón. Musicians often sit on the cajón as they play it...make sure your cajón is strong enough to hold you.



STOMP



Stomp is a term used in jazz or popular music for a tune or song with a fast tempo and a heavy beat. Stomp styles are often played with found objects made of wood, metal, plastic and more that create unique tones when played alone or together. This can be played with one musician or many...played in planned beat patterns and also freestyle.

MAKE STOMP MUSIC at home: Gather sticks, buckets, hubcaps, pots, lids, spoons, trashcans, signs, cans, your hands, anything that might make an interesting sound. Test out your stomp music on your own and with friends.

