

Good Vibrations

For Tabling and Drop-In Events

Supplies:

- Large craft sticks (2 per girl)
- Large rubber bands (1 per girl)
- Pre-cut straw pieces, ~1½" long (2 per girl)
- Small rubber bands (2 per girl)

- Extra craft sticks (large and small)
- Extra rubber bands
- Extra straws
- Scissors (to cut the straws into pieces)

#1: Introduce!

- Make a basic harmonica as a demo and ask them to follow:
 - 1. Stretch the large rubber band lengthwise around one craft stick
 - 2. Place one straw under the rubber band, about 1" from one end
 - 3. Put the second craft stick on top of the first
 - 4. Wrap a small rubber band around the end of the craft sticks (the end closest to the straw).
 - 5. Place the second straw on top of the rubber band, 1" from the other end of the craft sticks.
 - 6. Wrap a small rubber band around this end of the craft sticks.
 - 7. Blow in the middle of the sticks, like a harmonica (not into the straws). Try it a few times!

#2: Ask the Girls!

- "What did you notice about your harmonica?"
- "What would you like to change about your harmonica?"
- "How will you change it? Do you need any other supplies (small craft sticks, more straws)?"

#3: Let Them Do It!

- While they work, you can engage new passers-by and get them started on the activity
- Encourage them as they work to make their changes

#4: Reflect!

Ask: "What happened? What did you discover? Why do you think it happened?"

Notes:

- Typical changes include: smaller (or more) craft sticks, adding straws, or moving the straws.
- This simple, yet fun, activity showcases the best of Girl Scouting: girls make decisions, get hands -on, and do much more than cookies, crafts, and camping—in this case, science!

