HOW TO MAKE A RAIN STICK
A Rainstick is a kind of rattle that when slowly turned will sound like rain falling. These instruments are common in countries of Central and South America and used by people that live in deserts. Traditionally they are made from a hollow cactus, punctured with cactus spines and filled with pebbles or seeds.

**Materials Needed:**
- 19 inch cardboard mailing tube 2” diameter with lids
- approximately fifty 2” nails
- hammer, mallet or hammerstone
- a handful of beads, aquarium gravel, small pebbles, etc.
- markers or crayons
INSTRUCTIONS

1) Randomly hammer the nails all around the tube about 1-2 inches apart.

2) Close one end of the tube with the lid. Fill the tube with the beads. Close the other end with the other lid.

3) Decorate the tube as desired.

4) Your rainstick is complete and ready to make beautiful music!