Environmental Percussion

The percussion family is the largest family of musical instruments because almost anything can be turned into a percussion instrument. These instruments produce sounds by shaking, scraping, or hitting.

Find an object around the house that you can shake.
Examples include: dry pasta in a box, medicine bottles

Find an object around the house that you can scrape.
Examples include: soup can, comb, roasting pan

Find an object around the house that you can strike.
Examples include: empty trash can, pots, empty boxes

Use those objects and choose an activity below.

- Choose a song on the radio and play along with a steady beat.
- Choose a nursery rhyme or poem and play the rhythm of the words.
- Play some rhythms using these instruments.

Describe what object you used and which activity you performed.

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