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Seeds Inside the Shaker

Circle group

A shaker makes noise. You can make one.

Put dry seeds in a box. Shut the lid. Shake it! Shh, shh!

The seeds hit the box. That makes the noise. Big seeds are loud. Tiny seeds are soft.

Questions

1. What do you put in the box?

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2. What do you do after the lid is shut?

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3. What makes the noise?

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4. Are tiny seeds loud or soft?

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5. Why do you shut the lid?

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Words to know

shaker: a toy that makes noise when you shake it
seeds: small things from plants that can grow
lid: the top part that covers a box
soft: quiet, not loud

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Seeds Inside the Shaker

Triangle group

A shaker makes a sound. You can make one.

Put dry seeds in a small box. Close the lid. Now shake it! Shh, shh, shh!

The seeds hit the sides of the box. That makes the sound. Big seeds make a loud sound. Tiny seeds make a soft sound.

Questions

1. What do you put in the box?

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2. What do you do after you close the lid?

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3. What makes the sound?

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4. What kind of sound do tiny seeds make?

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5. Why do you close the lid?

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Seeds Inside the Shaker

Square group

A shaker is a simple instrument, and you can make one at home.

Place some dry seeds inside a small box and press the lid on tightly. Then give the box a good shake and listen to the sound it makes.

The seeds bump against the sides of the box, and that bumping creates the noise. Large seeds make a loud, rattling sound, while tiny seeds make a soft, whispery one.

Questions

1. What goes inside the small box?

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2. What do you do once the lid is on tightly?

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3. What creates the noise inside the box?

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4. What kind of sound do tiny seeds make?

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5. Why is it important to press the lid on tightly?

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For the teacher: Seeds Inside the Shaker

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: Seeds Inside the Shaker

Easier · 38 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.7

1. Dry seeds.
2. You shake the box.
3. The seeds hit the box.
4. Soft.
5. So the seeds stay in the box.

Triangle: Seeds Inside the Shaker

This passage · 49 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.4

1. Dry seeds.
2. You shake the box.
3. The seeds hit the sides of the box.
4. A soft sound.
5. So the seeds stay in the box and do not spill out.

Square: Seeds Inside the Shaker

Harder · 71 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 4.2

1. Dry seeds.
2. You give the box a good shake.
3. The seeds bumping against its sides.
4. A soft, whispery sound.
5. So the seeds stay inside the box and do not spill out.