MAKE YOUR OWN PAN FLUTE!

MATERIALS

- Drinking straws
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Tape

1. Distribute 4 to 8 straws to each student. The straw will need to be straight for this craft -- if there are any bends in the straw, have students cut these off.

2. Have students cut 1 inch from their first straw, 1½ inches from their second straw, and so on, cutting an additional ½ inch from each successive straw. Teachers may prefer to precut straws for younger students.

3. Instruct students to line their straws up from shortest to longest, making sure the tops of the straws form a straight line.

4. Distribute a 4-6 inch piece of tape to each student. Keeping the straws lined up, have students tape their straws together by placing the tape across each straw. Wrap the excess tape around the other side of the straws to create a pan flute.

5. Tell students to blow across the tops of their straws to make music! Ask them to notice the differences in pitches between the different lengths of straw.