

# Make-It Mondays



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# Structure of the Program



- Ages 8-12
- Several Mondays during the summer
- Afternoon and evening sessions
- 90 minutes per session
- Drop-in (no registration)

# A Few of Our Projects



- Not Your Average Bubble Makers
- Launch It!
- Go, Speed Racer!

# Not Your Average Bubble Makers



- Bubble solution and tarp for indoor bubble blowing
- Two types of bubble makers:
  - ✦ Really BIG Bubble Maker  
<http://www.cometogetherkids.com/2011/04/really-big-bubble-maker.html>
  - ✦ Bubble Snake Maker  
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# Launch It!



- Puffball Zingers

- ✦ <http://www.cometogetherkids.com/2011/09/mini-marshmallow-shooters-or-pom-pom.html>



- Catapults

- ✦ <http://www.sci-experiments.com/catapult/catapult.html>

# Go, Speed Racer!



- **Balloon Cars**

- ✦ <http://pbskids.org/designsquad/build/2-wheel-balloon-car/>



# Lessons Learned



- Materials preparation is key!
- Estimate high when purchasing and preparing
- Look for projects that use common (and cheap!) materials
- Creating illustrated instructions helps a lot!

# Bubble Snake Maker

You Will Need:

One plastic bottle

One rubber band

One sock or washcloth

1. Cut the bottom off of your plastic bottle. Put the bottom piece of the bottle in the recycling bin.
2. Stretch the sock or washcloth over the larger opening in the bottle (where the bottom used to be). You may need to trim the cloth if you have a lot of extra fabric.
3. Use the rubber band to secure the fabric in place.



4. Dip the fabric in the bubble solution.
5. Blow into the mouthpiece of the bottle. A bubble snake will grow out of the fabric!

Bubble Snake Tips:

- Don't breathe in while your mouth is over the bottle's opening!
- Keep the lid to your bottle! It will help the bottle's opening to stay clean between bubble blowing sessions.