The Rattle

Instructions

- 1. Soak Rawhide in container for 3 hrs or more
- 2. Put your rawhide pieces together and line up holes
- 3. Take your needle and lace in your sinew through the needle hole
- 4. Lace in from the one end of the rattle rawhide, pull through till each ends meet to the same length
- 5. Tie 1 knot to hold in place then take your needle with one lace and needle through to the end and repeat with the other lace but lacing in the opposite entrance of the holes
- 6. Tie the laces together with 4 knots for security...prevents slippage
- 7. Take your stick handle and spread the end on your rattle and slide in the stick to spread the inner area
- 8. Spread out your funnel
- 9. Spill your bag of sand into a cup or container and spill into your funnel to fill in the rattle bag
- 10. When half way of filling your bag, grab your stick to pack down the sand and keep packing till it spreads out the bag, then repeat by adding more sand till it's packed tight and your bag is rounded out
- 11. Keep handle in at the end and tie
- 12. Let hang and dry overnight
- 13. Remove the handle from the rattle
- 14. Fill in about 2 inches of water in a cup or small container and soak the open end of the rattle and let stand for about hr
- 15. Take rattle out of container
- 16. Take some of your corn kernels and spill into pouch of your rattle then stick in the handle with the notch end into your rattle about 1 1/2" in
- 17. Let dry and dress up with leather, beads, feathers or other raw materials that the natives would have used

Materials Included

- √ 1 60 Inch (5ft.) Sinew
- ✓ 1 Pair Hole Punched Rawhide
- ✓ 1 12" x 5/8" Stick with notch at end
- ✓ Corn Kernels
- ✓ 1 Bag of sand
- √ 1 Paper Funnel
- ✓ Plastic Needle

PLEASE NOTE: Participants have option to dress rattle with beads, fur and leather.

Materials Needed

- o Containers
- o Scissors
- o Plastic Needles
- o Corn Kernels
- o Sinew
- o Leather
- o Extra Sand
- o Funnel
- o Glue
- o Glue Guns
- o Carpenter Glue (optional)
- Extension Cord