

# Make Your Own Rain Chain

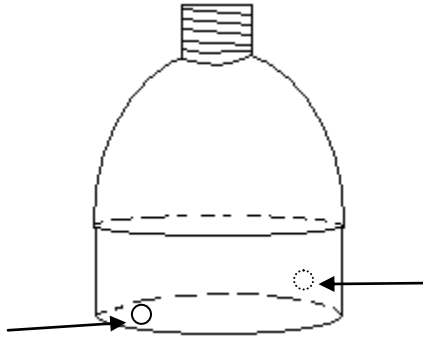
## Design Number 1

### Materials

- 8- 10 ft Plastic or Metal Chain (length needed should be the distance from the gutter on your house to the ground, make sure the links are small enough to fit through the tops of the bottles)
- String
- 8-12 empty plastic soda/pop bottles (20 oz bottles work best)
- Permanent Markers and/or Stickers to decorate
- Hole Punch

### Directions

1. Ask a parent to help you cut the bottles in half
2. Punch two holes on opposite sides of the top halves of the bottles



3. Decorate the top half of the bottles with markers, stickers, paint, or any other materials you can think of.
4. Once the bottles have dried, tie a string 6 inches in length to one of the punched holes
5. Feed the Chain through the top halves of the bottle so that the bottles are all in the same direction
6. Take each string and feed it through the links and tie the string to the opposite punched hole
7. Continue to feed and tie all the bottles so that there is 3-4 inches in between each bottle
8. Have a parent help place your rain chain outside, in place of a downspout, directly below an opening in the gutter. Make sure that there is either a rain barrel or rain garden to catch the water.
9. Now wait for the rain and enjoy!

