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EXPLORER GUIDE SHEET

Kaleidoscope

Materials:

A cardboard tube (from a toilet paper or paper towel role)

A piece of shiny paper (From the craft store, or glue tinfoil on to card stock)

Translucent confetti

Plastic wrap

A rubber band

A whole punch

Tape

Directions:

1. Cut out your "mirrors": For a paper towel tube cut three strips 1 and 3/8 inch wide, the length is the length of the tube
2. Tape the strips together on the non-mirror side of the paper
3. Tape strips into a triangle shape
4. Push triangle into tube
5. On one end of the tube with mirrors place a piece of plastic wrap over the opening and make a slight indent into the center
6. Put your confetti into the indent, put another piece of plastic wrap over it and then secure by wrapping a rubber band over all the plastic wrap and tubes
7. Last, cut out a piece of cardstock the same diameter of the tube and punch a hole in the middle - secure over the other end (not confetti end) with tape

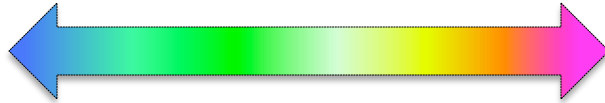
Helpful Hints:

- Use what you already have in your house - no need for a special trip! Confetti can be cut up plastics from your recycling bin, sequins, or wrapping papers
- If you point your kaleidoscope into a light the colors will be more vibrant
- Try it out with one eye at a time - practice closing your eyes one a time
- What do you see? What do the shapes and colors in your kaleidoscope make you think of? Use your imagination!

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Things to think about:

How did looking through your kaleidoscope make you feel? Use the sense-o-meter to help you!



What body part do you use to look through the kaleidoscope?



Draw a picture of what you saw when you looked through the Kaleidoscope:

