

SNAKE CHARMER

Materials Needed:

- paper plate, or make your own circle with a similar size
- markers
- oatmeal container or any canned food container
- construction paper
- fishing line
- paper clip
- magnet
- glue
- ruler or stick

Directions:

Draw a spiral on your paper plate or circle. Start from the outer edge and draw to the middle of the plate.

Cut out spiral and decorate to look like a snake.

Cover the outside of your container with construction paper and decorate.

Tie a paper clip to one end of a 12-inch length of fishing line.

Slip the clip on the snake's head and tape the other end of the line to the bottom of your container.

Make the wand by gluing the magnet to one end of the ruler or stick.

Touch the magnet to the paper clip in the container and draw the snake upward until the line is taut.

Slowly and carefully raise the ruler another half inch or so. The magnet should separate from the paper clip, but will still exert a pull on it.

After a few tries, your child will know just how little to move the wand to make the snake dance.