

Painting ideas

54. Didgeridoos

You will need: cardboard tubes; paints and pencils in red, yellow, orange and white; and black or brown paint.

- ◆ Show the children a real didgeridoo if you can get one, or, failing that, pictures of various decorated didgeridoos. Discuss these with your children.
- ◆ Give each child, or pair of children, a cardboard tube and get them to paint the entire thing black or brown. Leave these to dry.
- ◆ Ask the children to decorate their didgeridoos, using dots to create typical Aboriginal patterns.

55. Balsa boomerangs

You will need: boomerang shapes cut from balsa wood; paints; pencils.

- ◆ Show the children real boomerangs if you can, and discuss why and how they were used (boomerangs were used as a hunting tool, not as a plaything).
- ◆ Give children a balsa-wood boomerang and get them to decorate it in the Aboriginal style.

Display all your artwork, artefacts and pictures to make a really impressive gallery!

