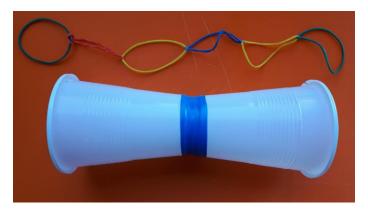


Spinning plastic cups

Read it -- Try it safely -- Explore it further

Spinning plastic cups (Magnus effect)



Tape two plastic cups together

Join several elastic bands together

Having wrapped the stretched elastic once around the cups, stretch the rest of the elastic as shown.

Aim the "catapult" away from spectators



Keeping your right hand closed, release your grip on the cups

Extension activity: Try different cups, different angles, different stretches.

Research other examples of the Magnus effect and how the effect may be explained.

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