**Talk Through a String Telephone Procedure**

1. Give one cup to your conversation partner and hold one yourself.
2. Walk slowly apart until the string connecting the cups is straight and tight.
3. Put your cup over your ear and have your partner talk into his or her cup (keep the conversation relatively quiet if you are standing close to one another but be sure to talk louder than a whisper).
4. Can you hear your partner talking?
5. Now you try talking into your cup and have your partner listen into his or her cup. Can he or she hear you?
6. Try letting the string go slack. Is the cup-and-string telephone still effective?
7. Now, keeping your voice at the same level and remaining the same distance apart, try talking to each other without using the cups. Can you hear as well?
8. Extra: If you have plenty of space, see how far apart you can get the cup-and string telephone to work.
9. Extra: If you have a third person around, ask them to hold on to the center of the string with their hand. Will the sound still carry through? Why or why not?