

Max's Musical Instrument Flashcards

Learning objective: To identify and categorise musical instruments into the four main families: strings, woodwind, brass, and percussion.

Use these flashcards to test your knowledge of musical instruments. Max the monkey thinks these are like a giant puzzle—can you sort them correctly?

Which instrument family includes the violin and the guitar?

The String family.

What is the main way that percussion instruments create sound?

By being struck, shaken, or scraped.

Name two examples of instruments in the woodwind family.

Flute, clarinet, oboe, or bassoon.

How do brass instruments typically create a sound?

By the player buzzing their lips into a mouthpiece.

Is a drum kit considered a tuned or untuned percussion instrument?

Usually untuned, though some drums can be tuned to specific pitches.

What does a conductor do in an orchestra?

They lead the musicians and keep the beat for the whole group.

Which instrument family does the trumpet belong to?

The Brass family.

If you pluck a thicker string on a cello, will the pitch be higher or lower?

It will be lower.

Which instrument family includes the flute and the recorder?

The Woodwind family.

True or False: A piano is a percussion instrument because hammers hit the strings inside.

True.

What do we call a large group of musicians playing different instruments together?

An orchestra.

Which instrument family does the double bass belong to?

The String family.