

Max and Zara's Global Music Adventure

Learning objective: To identify musical instruments and traditions from different cultures around the world.

Join Max the monkey and Zara the zebra on a musical tour! Read each question carefully and circle the correct answer or write your response in the space provided.

Answer Key: 1. A (Djembe), 2. False, 3. True, 4. B (Caribbean), 5. True, 6. Japan, 7. Rhythm, 8. C (Samba), 9. True, 10. A (Strings).

Word bank: Djembe · Steel Pan · Koto · Rhythm · Tempo · Culture

1. 1. Max is tapping on a West African drum that is shaped like a goblet. What is this drum called? A) Djembe* B) Piano C) Guitar D) Flute (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: World music only uses instruments that were invented in the United Kingdom. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: A steel pan is a melodic percussion instrument originally from Trinidad and Tobago. (1 mark)

4. 4. Zara is looking at a map. Which region is famous for the bright, energetic sounds of the steel pan? A) Arctic B) Caribbean* C) Antarctica D) Desert (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Every piece of music has a rhythm, which is the pattern of long and short sounds. (1 mark)

6. 6. The Koto is a traditional stringed instrument from which country? (1 mark)

7. 7. Fill in the blank: The speed of a piece of music is called the _____. (1 mark)

8. 8. Which of these is a famous style of music from Brazil? A) Opera B) Jazz C) Samba* D) Folk (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Many world music traditions are passed down through families by listening and copying rather than reading sheet music. (1 mark)

10. 10. Which family of instruments does the Koto belong to? A) Strings* B) Woodwind C) Brass D) Percussion (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey playing a Djembe drum and Zara the zebra dancing to the beat in a colourful, sunny setting.



Extension challenge: Research one musical instrument from a country you have never visited. Write three facts about how it is played and what it sounds like.