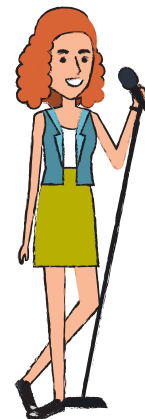


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Learning About Musical Instruments From the Past

Meet Raven! Raven is a musician. A musician creates music for people to listen to. Some musicians sing songs.



Other musicians play instruments. Guitars, drums, and pianos are examples of instruments.



Today, you will learn about instruments that people played a long time ago. Follow the steps below!

Step 1: Learn about instruments

Look at the pictures below. Then, answer the questions.

Picture #1

Look at this picture of a flute. This flute was made from bone. It was made in Europe over 30,000 years ago.



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Picture #2

Look at this picture of a guqin (pronounced ku-chin). A guqin is a Chinese instrument. The instrument has strings. It was made in China. People have played this instrument for over 5000 years.



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Picture #3

Look at this picture of a drum. It is called a Pate Drum. The word “pate” is pronounced “pa-tay.” It was made in the Samoa. Samoa is a country that has two islands. People have played these drums for over 500 years. The drums are made from a thick branch or a tree trunk. A long time ago, the drums were used to send messages to people!



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Step 2: Answer questions about instruments from the past.

Read the questions below and circle your answers.

1. What is the Pate Drum is made out of?

Thick branch or
a tree trunk

Metal

Bones

2. Which instrument is a Chinese instrument with strings that people have played for over 5000 years?

Pate drum

Flute

Guqin

3. If you could play the flute, guqin, or Pate Drum, which instrument would you want to learn to play?

Guqin

Pate drum

Flute

4. Why did you choose that instrument?

Extra Time? Look at a Map or Globe

Look at a map or globe and find where each instrument is from!