

Instrument Seek and Find

Find the instrumental words listed below and circle them in the puzzle. The words can be straight across, up and down, diagonally—or even backwards!

BASS
BASSOON
BRASS
CELLO
CLARINET
CONDUCTOR
FLUTE

HORN
OBOE
ORCHESTRA
PERCUSSION
PIANO
SAXOPHONE
SYMPHONY

TROMBONE
TRUMPET
VIOLA
VIOLIN
WOODWINDS

H	W	O	O	D	W	I	N	D	S	W	B	L
J	A	M	R	B	A	R	T	O	K	S	K	I
P	E	R	C	U	S	S	I	O	N	A	A	D
E	S	E	H	G	Y	W	N	P	B	X	E	B
N	Y	T	E	P	M	U	R	T	D	O	J	A
O	I	Q	S	O	P	N	C	E	R	P	E	S
B	O	V	T	G	H	O	R	N	K	H	F	S
M	S	N	R	B	O	I	M	I	B	O	W	O
O	C	X	A	R	N	T	O	R	V	N	Q	O
R	Y	E	M	I	Y	S	A	A	L	E	I	N
T	W	J	L	U	P	S	F	L	U	T	E	L
B	G	O	S	L	S	W	E	C	T	B	K	D
M	I	L	K	C	O	N	D	U	C	T	O	R
V	I	O	L	A	K	B	O	X	L	C	W	A

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Musical Mysteries

Grades 4–6

This game is played by two 4-player teams. A moderator gives the following clues, one at a time. After the first clue is given, Team #1 has a chance to solve the mystery and guess the topic. If, after only one clue, they are able to guess the topic, they win four points. If they are unable to guess the topic, Team #2 has a chance to steal the four points by guessing correctly. If Team #2 decides not to guess the topic from just the first clue, then they may hear the second clue and try to guess the topic for three points. If they cannot guess the topic, then Team #1 can either steal the three points by now making the correct guess or opt to hear the third clue and guess correctly for two points. If neither team can identify the topic from the first three clues given, the fourth and final clue is given. The correct answer is worth one point.

To sum up:

Solve the mystery in just one clue: Win 4 points
Solve the mystery in two clues: Win 3 points
Solve the mystery in three clues: Win 2 points
Solve the mystery in one clue: Win 1 point

Each round will have seven mystery topics. The team with the most points at the end of the round wins the game.

Teachers and students may choose their own topics featuring anything musical—famous composers, musical works, music terms, musical instruments, famous performers—and then create four clues for each topic. Begin with the most challenging clue and then make each successive clue a little easier.

Below are sample topics and clues to begin the game.

Round One

Mystery Topic #1

Clues:

1. I was born in 1770.
2. Mozart said of me, “He will give the world something worth listening to.”
3. I wrote 9 symphonies. One of them is called *The Pastorale*.
4. You might know me as the composer of “Für Elise” and “Ode to Joy.”

The answer: Ludwig van Beethoven

Mystery Topic #2

Clues:

1. I am part of the string section of the orchestra.
2. Yo-Yo Ma is famous for playing me.
3. I am not the viola.
4. I am played while seated.

The answer: The cello