

## Musical Instruments and Their Families

In Music Class we talked about how Musical Instruments are grouped in Families. Each instrument has similar characteristics as other instruments. We put each Instrument into Groups based on their certain characteristics, or the things that are the same about them.

**Strings** - All have strings, & are played by using a bow across the strings, or strumming or plucking the strings.

**Brass** - All are made of brass, silver, or gold, & all require the same type of mouthpiece in order to blow air into it. All use valves or a slide to open & close the tubes where the air flows to make the sound.

**Woodwinds** - All either have air blown directly into the instrument or use a type of reed in the mouthpiece which makes the sound when you put it in your mouth & blow. All use button like keys, or your fingers to open & close the holes.

**Percussion** - These instruments can all be shaken, tapped, hit, or scraped.

Worksheets in this packet:

**Color By Instrument** - Color the section with each Instrument, the color that is given for its Instrument Family. Example: - the section labeled Flute should be colored Yellow, since that is the given color for the Woodwind Instrument Family.

**Musical Instruments Crossword Puzzle** - Look at the pictures of the Instruments. Write its name in the spaces that correlate with the number listed next to it. If you need help spelling, or forgot the instruments name, they are listed in the box on the lower right side of the page.

**Types of Musical Instruments** - Read the description of the Instrument. It is to the right of the blank line. Use the Instrument Families listed in the box below to fill in the blank.

**Musical Instruments Word Search** - Find each Musical Instrument listed in the box below, in the Word Search. After you have finished, count how many Instruments there are from each Instrument Family listed in the box.

Have a Happy MUSICAL St. Patrick's Day!!

Mrs. Nielson

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### COLOR CODE:



Strings



Woodwind



Brass



Percussion

Flute

Bass drum

Trumpet

Violin

Cello

Viola

Oboe

Tuba

Harp.

Bass

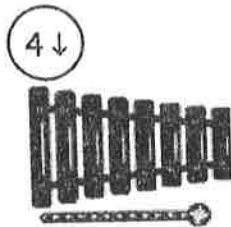
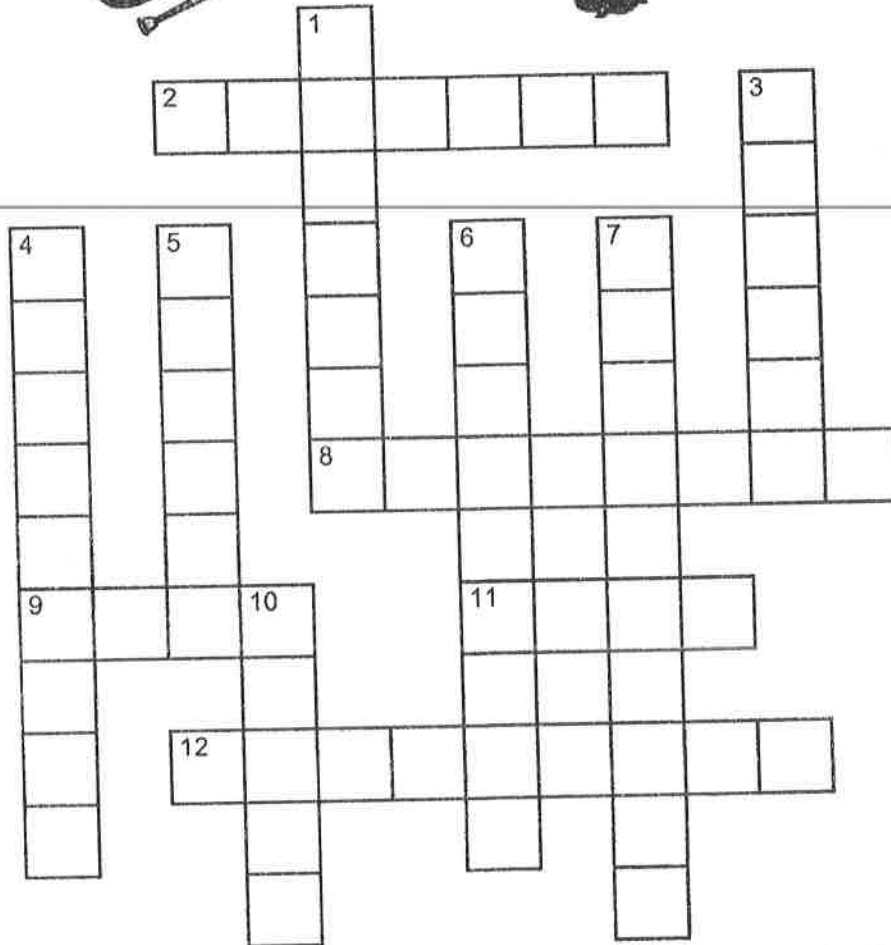
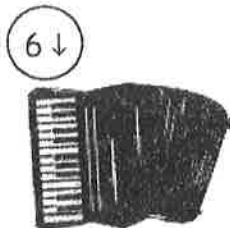
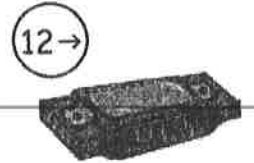
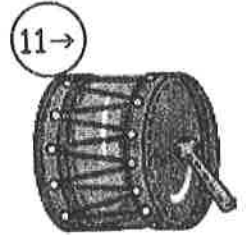
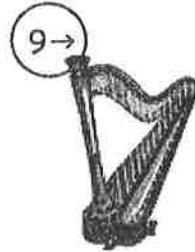
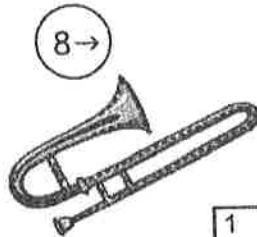
Piano

Snare  
drum

Clarinet

# Musical Instruments

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the crossword puzzle grid with the name of each musical instrument following the numbers and direction indicated. Use the word bank if you get stuck.



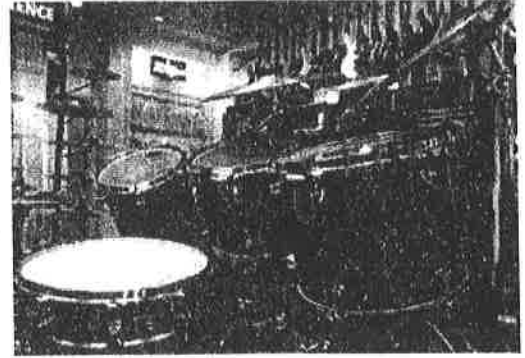
ACCORDION	PIANO
DRUM	TAMBOURINE
GUITAR	TROMBONE
HARMONICA	TRUMPET
HARP	VIOLIN
MARACAS	XYLOPHONE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Types of Musical Instruments

Complete the activity.



1. \_\_\_\_\_ Operated by pressing keys, pedals, or levers
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Uses electricity to generate sounds
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Makes sounds when strings vibrate
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Makes music when air is blown through a tube
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Played by striking or shaking them

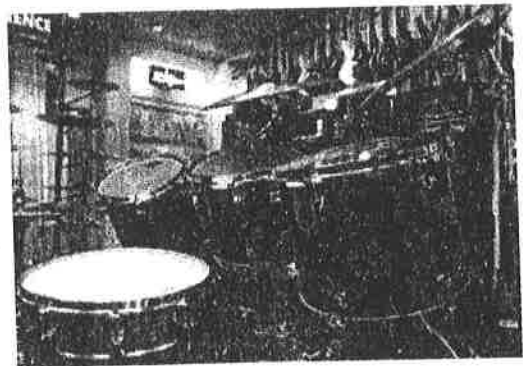
Woodwind Instruments  
Percussion Instruments  
Keyboard Instruments

String Instruments  
Electronic Instruments

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Musical Instruments Word Search



Complete the activity.

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

Triangle  
Cymbals  
Bugle  
Violin

Saxophone  
Clarinet  
Synthesizer  
Guitar

Gong  
Piano  
Trombone  
Cello

Harp  
Drum  
Organ  
Trumpet

Tuba  
Oboe  
Flute