



Let's Find Out About It: Musical Instruments

Standard Connection:

ELA.RF.PK4.1b

ELA.W.PK4.8

PD.FM.PK4.4

M.MD.PK4.1

M.MD.PK4.2

MU.RE8a.1.PK

Enduring Understanding(s):

- Families share experiences, traditions, and activities that can be represented through artistic expression.

Essential Question(s):

- How do you most effectively communicate your thoughts, feelings, and traditions?

Materials	Vocabulary	Books
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Oonga Boonga</i> or <i>Crybaby</i> <i>Charlie Parker played be bop</i> <i>Tito Puente Mambo King</i> instruments: harmonica, rhythm instruments (shakers, hand drums, etc.) images of instruments (see Resources) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> instrument: a device used to produce music musician: a composer, conductor, or performer of music rhythm: a regular, repeated pattern of sounds or movement harmonica: a small, rectangular wind instrument drums: a hollow shell instrument saxophone: a metal tube with finger keys percussion: beating or striking of a musical instrument 	

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Preparation: Set up materials

"In <i>Oonga Boonga</i> , the grandpa played a harmonica to soothe Baby Louise. (In <i>Crybaby</i> , a neighbor tried to soothe Baby by playing music). What do you notice?"	Show illustrations.
"Here is a book about a musician named Tito Puente. He played the drums ."	Show illustrations and summarize story from <i>Tito Puente, Mambo King</i> .
"Listen to Tito Puente playing the song ' <i>Timbal</i> '. What do you notice?"	Play a clip of 'Timbal' by Tito Puente. Children respond
"Charlie Parker is another musician. His instrument was the saxophone ."	Play a clip of 'Koko' by Charlie Parker.
"Here is a book about Charlie Parker. What do you notice about the words?"	Read a few pages <i>Charlie Parker Played Bebop</i> emphasizing the rhythm.
"The saxophone and the harmonica are instruments played by blowing air with your mouth. Other instruments that are played with your hands, like the drums, are called percussion instruments ."	

