ENGLISH

Unit 14: Musical Instruments



Pre-Intermediate English with

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Introduction



- Whether you would like to become a musician or a rockstar, or not, it is still good to learn the names of at least the most common musical instruments in English.
- There will be times when you are in conversation with somebody musically talented or you are watching a performance and you will need to know a name of an instrument, so best learn now!
- In this unit you will be learning the basics about Musical instruments in English.
- The most important part of this unit is learning the necessary vocabulary.
- So if you need to spend some extra time trying to memorize all the instruments listed in the following pages, that is great!
- There will be a picture next to each instrument to help in your memorization process.

^{*}All the Instrument names will be spoken in the audio for this unit*

The 5 Main Types of Instruments



• Percussion:

- These are instruments that are primarily hit, either with a hand or a stick.
- o Drums are a percussion instrument.

• Woodwind:

- These instruments are primarily tubes with holes in them allowing the air to escape in some manner.
- A clarinet is a woodwind instrument.

• String:

- These instruments are characterized by having strings on them.
- A guitar is a string instrument.

• Brass:

- These instruments are usually made entirely of brass, which is a metal.
- A trumpet is a brass instrument.

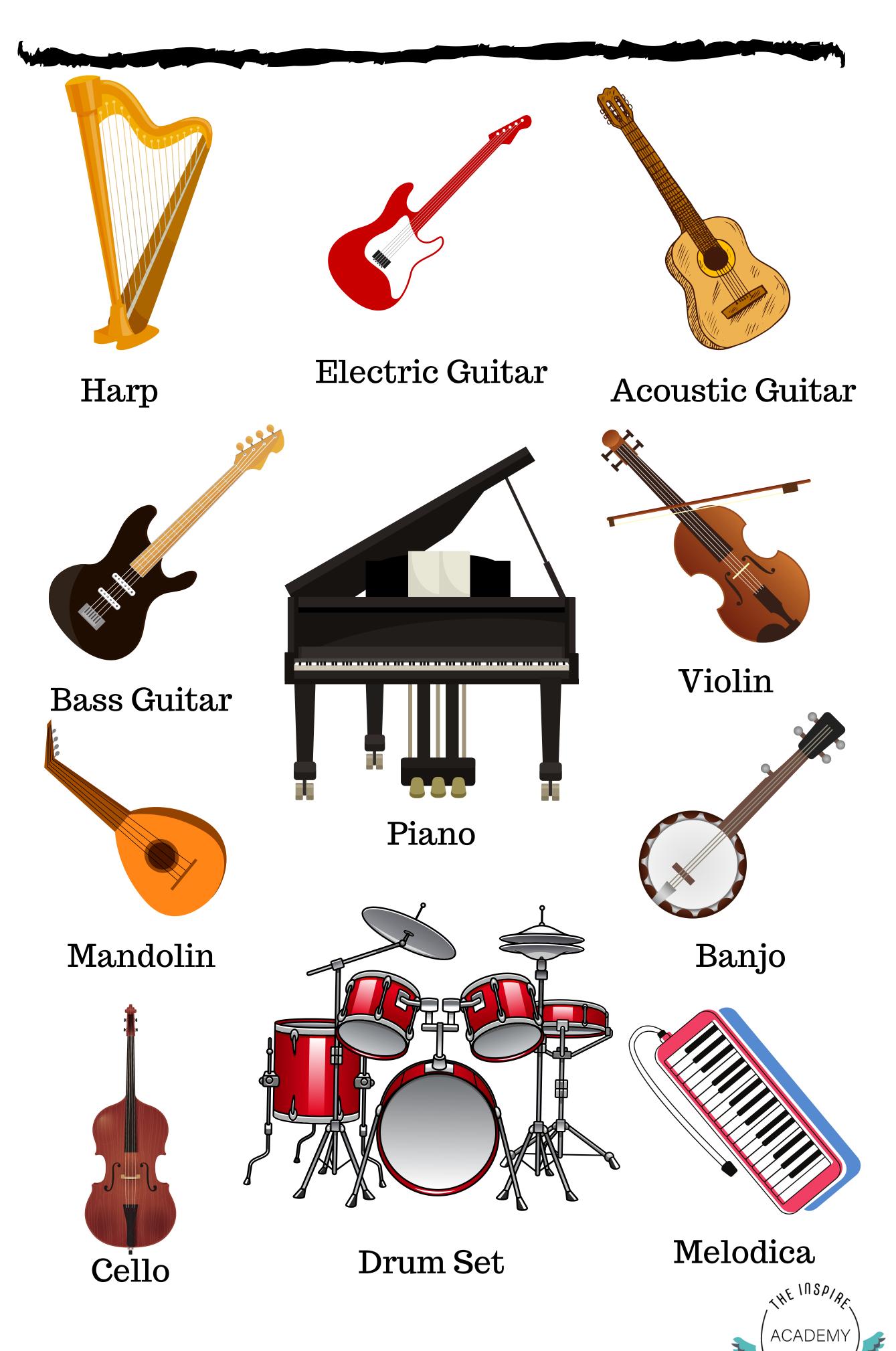
• Keyboard:

- A keyboard is an instrument which has a long row of levers each of which make sound and sometimes requires electricity
- An accordian is a keyboard

Instrument Names



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EXERCISE



Match the names with the correct musical Instruments.

Microphone

Xylophone

Melodica

Bell

Maracas

Tuba

Bass Drum

Piano

Electric Guitar



EXERCISE



Match the names with the correct musical Instruments.

Tambourine

Trumpet

Violin

Bass Guitar

Musical Notes

Saxophone

Drum Set

Bagpipes

Acoustic Guitar





FRIEND EXERCISE

For this friend exercise you and your friend must each use the next page to draw 5 different Musical Instruments.

Then you should show your friend what you have drawn and they have to name the Instrument you drew and also say which type it is.

Take turns and try to draw as well as you can, it doesn't need to be good as long as your friend can understand.

This will be easy for the artists but difficult for those who are not very good at drawing so good luck!

FRIEND EXERCISE

You may use this space to draw your five Instruments:

