



## **Musical instruments used**

#### <u>Violin</u>

The violin is a member of the string family. Sounds are made by bowing or plucking the strings. It is held under the chin, resting on the shoulder. The violin is the highest voice in the string family. The violin has a lovely tone that can be soft and expressive or exciting and brilliant.

Here are some examples of sounds a violin can make: <u>Violin example</u> <u>Twinkle twinkle little star</u> Violin riff



### French horn

The French horn is a member of the brass family. Brass instruments produce their sound by the player buzzing their lips while blowing air through a cup or funnel shaped mouthpiece. The French horn is known for playing hunting fanfares and

tunes, but also beautiful sweeping melodies.

Here are some examples of sounds French horn can make: <u>Twinkle twinkle little star</u> <u>Star Wars</u>



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# <u>Harp</u>

The harp is a member of the string family. Sounds are made by plucking the strings with your fingers and pressing pedals with your feet. The harp is normally played sitting down and it is known for its gentle melodies and gliding runs.

Here are some examples of sounds a harp can make: <u>The Nutcracker</u> <u>Dafydd y Garreg Wen</u>

#### **Percussion**

The percussion family is believed to include some of the oldest musical instruments. Percussion instruments are usually sounded by being struck by a beater and examples of percussion instruments include drums, shakers, the tambourine, and the xylophone.

Here are some examples of sounds percussions can make: <u>Various examples</u>

