

Find the Instrument on the Map

Subject Area(s): Geography, Music

For Grades: K-5

Estimated Time: 30 minutes

Supported Colorado Model Content Standards:

- Geography: 1 & 2
- Music: 5

Supplies Needed:

- A World Map
- Musical Instruments or pictures of musical instruments (see appendix).



Description:

In this activity, you'll show the children musical instruments (Or pictures of them) from around the world to help children learn to locate places on the map. The following list is just a suggestion; if you have other instruments (and know their origins) you can use them as well.

Musical Instrument List:

Djembe-Africa

Didgeridoo-Australia

Ukulele-Hawaii

Violin-Italy

Mandolin-Italy

Bamboo Flute-China

Conga-Cuba

Pennywhistle-Ireland

Steel Drum-Island of Trinidad

Sitar-India

Balalaika-Russia

Pan Pipes-South America

Guitar-Spain

Maracas-Mexico

Bagpipes-Scotland

Directions:

1. Hold up a picture of an instrument, and tell the class what it is called. If you have the actual instrument, you can play on it a little.
2. Tell the class where the instrument is from.
3. For younger children, you can show them where the place is on the map, for older children, you can ask them to find the location on the map.
4. If you like, you can make copies of the instrument pictures and have the children color them.



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