

Beat, Band, Boogie.

<p>Make a tin can telephone. Investigate which connectors transfer the sound most effectively (maybe wool, string) Try using yogurt pots instead of tin cans. Which works best?</p>	<p>Watch online videos of brass bands. Create a musical band at home with improvised instruments. Compose some music of your own or play a well known tune.</p>	<p>Design a uniform for a marching band.</p>	<p>Listen to another traditional tale featuring a soldier character, perhaps The Tinder Box or Stone Soup. Practice retelling the story and then tell your friends at Purple Oaks.</p>	<p>Record some sounds at home to create a sound quiz. What about the sound of the washing machine, the theme tune to your favourite TV programme. Test your teachers to see if they can guess them.</p>
<p>Find a poem, nursery rhyme or song about marching. Perform it to your class.</p>	<p>Research instruments from other countries. Draw a picture of your favourite. Find where it comes from on a world map.</p>	<p>Find out if any local bands perform in your area. See if it's possible for you to attend a free performance</p>	<p>Research the commands used to instruct marching bands, such as 'left face', 'horns up', 'parade rest' - what do they mean?</p>	<p>Spend 10 minutes listening to a piece of relaxing music - how does it make you feel?</p>
<p>Experiment making noises with different things at home - what's the loudest and quietest things you can find?</p>	<p>Spend 10 minutes outside listening to sounds - how many different sounds can you hear?</p>	<p>'Baby Shark' is a very popular song at the moment - can you make up your own version?</p>	<p>Can you find out how many instruments are in an orchestra - can you name all of them?</p>	<p>A conductor is an important job - research what is, what equipment they need and what movements do they make?</p>
<p>Make a musical instrument by filling bottles with different amounts of water. Can you hear the different sounds? Which one is your favourite?</p>	<p>Ask different members of your family who their favourite band is, spend some time listening to the music. How has music changed over time?</p>	<p>A metronome keeps a constant beat, use one at home or online to try doing activities like star jumps in time with the beat.</p>	<p>'God save the Queen' is an important song in British culture. Listen to it and try to learn the words.</p>	<p>Sign language is used by people who can't hear very well. Can you learn how to sign your name?</p>