

Musical Instruments

Conversation > Intermediate 6



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

excited	Having or showing a lot of energy, enjoyment, or interest.
[adjective]	Ex: The crowd got excited when the band started.

pianist	A person who plays the piano.
[noun]	Ex: They booked a pianist for their wedding reception.

cello	A musical instrument that looks like a large violin.
[noun]	Ex: Cello is one of the biggest instruments.

not a chance	There is no possibility.
[phrase]	Ex: Do I want to be a singer? No, not a chance.



adore Love something or someone very much. [verb] Ex: I adore music.

sound	Something that you can hear.
[noun]	Ex: These speakers have excellent sound .

string	A thin wire on a musical instrument that produces a musical note.
[noun]	Ex: I will have to change the strings on my guitar.



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Megan: Hi, George! I'm glad we have music class together. It's so cool.

George: Are you excited? I can't sing. Girls are so much better at singing!

Megan: Come on, you can't be that bad. I'm not a singer, either. But I play the piano!

George: Do you want to be a professional pianist in the future?

Megan: No, not a chance. I just like to play for myself and in music class, too.



George: I see. I think I want to learn to play the cello.

Megan: It is such a pretty instrument. I adore the sound of the strings.

George: Yes, me too.

Megan: Maybe you should attend a music school. What do you think?

George: It is a bit expensive, so I think I'll ask our music teacher to help me learn.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

adore

sound

strings

Not a chance

excited

cello

pianist

- 1. Do you need new _____ for your guitar?
- 2. I can hear the _____ of the sea in this shell.
- 3. I _____ my girlfriend. She's so sweet!
- 4. ! I don't want to see him!
- 5. I play the _____ in the orchestra.
- 6. My best friend is a _____. He plays the piano.
- 7. Are you _____ about the show?



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: You bought a new instrument, tell your dad about it. The teacher can be your dad.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

- 1. Do you play or want to play an instrument? What instrument?
- 2. Have you or your friends ever been in a band?
- 3. Did you ever take a music class in high school? How did you like it?
- 4. What is your favorite band? Why?
- 5. What is your favorite genre of music? Why?