

Instrument FAMILIES

- 1 Look at these instruments.
How do you play them? Write the words.

pluck blow hit shake



xylophone

hit



bagpipes



lute



cymbals



harmonica



santoor



maracas



cabasa

- 2 Write the instruments in Activity 1 in the correct place. Some can go in more than one place.

string

wind

percussion

xylophone,

- 3 Look at this instrument. Read the text and answer the questions.

The fotoplayer

The first films were not colour and they had no sound. They were silent films. A person used to play the fotoplayer next to the stage when the film was playing. A fotoplayer had a piano, drums and percussion. It could also make lots of different sound effects for the film, such as bells, horns and the sound of horses' feet. Can you see the different instruments?



- What different instruments were in the fotoplayer? _____
- What was a fotoplayer used for? _____

4 Read about an unusual orchestra. Tick ☒ the correct sentences.



carrot flute



pumpkin drum



cucumber trumpet



pepper horn

Carrots, cucumbers and pumpkins. These are some things the Vienna vegetable orchestra uses to make music. Pumpkins become drums and carrots make very good flutes, recorders and xylophones. When you move two leeks together, they sound loud and high, like a violin. When you move the outside of two onions together, they sound like maracas. Cucumbers and carrots make fantastic trumpets. If you add a pepper, they make a very loud noise. Peppers also make great horns.

The players take out the insides of the vegetables to make the instruments. They make soup with the inside of the vegetables. They give the soup to people after the show. The players also give them the vegetable instruments as a present.

- 1 The orchestra makes carrots with flutes.
- 2 They make drums with pumpkins.
- 3 Leeks sound like a violin.
- 4 Maracas make onion soup.
- 5 A pepper on a carrot makes a loud noise.
- 6 The orchestra eat soup before they play a show.

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5 Find different vegetables in your fridge. What instruments can you make with them? Write and then draw.

There's a carrot. I can make a flute.
