student activity 1

Name _____ Date _____

Instrument Families

Directions: Draw a line to connect each instrument name to its family.

VIOLIN	PERCUSSION
DRUMS	
SAXOPHONE	WOODWIND
GUITAR	
TRUMPET	STRINGS
FRENCH HORN	
CYMBALS	
FLUTE	BRASS

Make Your Own Instrument Challenge

Option 1: How many different percussion sounds can you make using your hands and feet?

- Try drumming your hands on your chest, then on your thighs.
- What is the difference in the sound if you tap your toes on the floor versus stomp your whole foot?
- Create a drum pattern with your hands and feet by combining different sounds, change how hard or soft and how fast or slow you make the sounds.

Option 2: Create an instrument using found or extra objects.

- Fill a closed container with beads or beans for an instrument you can shake.
  - How does the sound change if you change the amount of objects in the container?
  - Do different objects inside the container make the sound change? How?
- Place a few rubber bands across an empty tissue box to create a string instrument and pluck the rubber bands.
  - Play around with changing the size of the rubber bands or the tissue box to change the sounds.
- Create your very own brand-new musical instrument with objects in your classroom!

student activity 2

Name _____ Date _____

Nursery Rhymes

Directions: In small groups or pairs, practice reading and speaking one of the following nursery rhymes.

Younger students: Use body percussion or instruments to play along and turn the rhyme into a brand new children's song!

Older students: Use your instruments to create a new tune or music to make the old rhyme into a modern children's song OR create your own music and write your own lyrics to inspire other kids to do something that you think is important, like many of the songs in the concert you just saw by Divi Roxx.

If there is time, perform your new children's songs for your class!

Pat-A-Cake

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man
Bake me a cake as fast as you can
Pat it and prick it and mark it with "B"
Put it in the oven for baby and me

The More We Get Together

The more we get together, together, together
The more we get together, the happier we'll be
Cause your friends are my friends
And my friends are your friends
The more we get together, the happier we'll be

Three Blind Mice

Three blind mice, three blind mice
See how they run, see how they run
They all ran after the farmer's wife
She cut off their tails with a carving knife
Did you ever see such a sight in your life as three blind mice?