



Music Virtual Learning

4th Grade Ensemble Lesson #3: The Orchestra

April 16, 2020



4th Grade Music

Lesson: Ensemble #3: Orchestra

Learning Targets:

Students will define the term “instrumental ensemble”.

Students will classify a **large ensemble**.

Students will **classify the instruments** of the orchestra by the method of sound production.

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- A group of people singing and/or playing together is called an **ensemble (pronounced on-som-bul)**.
- If the **ensemble** has 18 people or less it is referred to as a **small ensemble** and more than 18 is considered a **large ensemble**.
- The orchestra is a **large ensemble**.

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This is Kansas City Symphony Orchestra. [Click here.](#)



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Lesson: Ensemble #1: Marching Band (April 2, 2020)

- The **orchestra** is the oldest of the instrumental **large ensembles** dating back to the 1600's .
- The orchestra plays classical music but they have begun to play much contemporary music, too.
- 20+ members play various instruments from the String, Woodwind, Brass, and Percussion families.
- The primary instruments in the **Orchestra** are the next slides.

I can identify string instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a violin. [Click here.](#)



I can identify string instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a viola. [Click here.](#)



I can identify string instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a cello. [Click here.](#)



I can identify string instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a bass viol. [Click here.](#)



I can identify string instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a harp. [Click here.](#)



I can identify woodwind instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a piccolo or fife. [Click here.](#)



I can identify woodwind instruments used an orchestra.

This is a flute. [Click here.](#)



I can identify woodwind instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a oboe. [Click here.](#)



I can identify woodwind instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a bassoon. [Click here.](#)



I can identify woodwind instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a clarinet. [Click here.](#)



I can identify woodwind instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a bass clarinet. [Click here.](#)



I can identify brass instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a trumpet. [Click here.](#)



I can identify brass instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a French horn. [Click here.](#)



I can identify brass instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a trombone. [Click here.](#)



I can identify brass instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a tuba. [Click here.](#)



I can identify percussion instruments used in an orchestra.

This is a snare drum. [Click here.](#)



I can identify percussion instruments used in bands.

This is a bass drum. [Click here.](#)



I can identify percussion instruments used in an orchestra.

This is tympani. [Click here.](#)



I can identify percussion instruments used in an orchestra.

These are cymbals. [Click here.](#)



I can identify percussion instruments used in orchestra.

This is a xylophone. [Click here.](#)



I can identify an orchestra.

- The **orchestra** holds a prominent place in the Independence School instrumental curriculum along with **Concert Band** starting in 6th Grade and going through high school.
- [Click here](#) to hear Bingham's 7th and 8th Grade Orchestra.
- [Click here](#) to listen to a youth **orchestra** playing a song inspired by cowboy style music. The name is "Hoedown," part of Rodeo by American composer Aaron Copland.



CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING:

- What is your favorite instrument in the orchestra?
- Do any of your family members play an instrument? Do they have experience playing in an orchestra?
- Find someone who played in an orchestra and ask them to tell you about the experience.