

Musical instruments activity sheet

Queen Elizabeth I was fond of music and during her reign it became even more popular leading to the creation of new and different musical instruments.

You will see replicas of some of the popular instruments of the time shown below.









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Musical instruments fell into different categories depending on how they were played:

- A stringed instrument (played with a bow or plucked) such as a lute, a harp or a hurdy gurdy
- A wind instrument (blown into) such as bagpipes, a recorder or a trumpet
- A keyboard instrument such as an organ or harpsichord
- A percussion instrument such as a tabor (drum), a triangle or a tambourine.

Activity:

Design and draw your own musical instrument. Which of type of instrument will it be and what will you call it?