

Didjeridoo Lessons

These boys are learning how to play the didjeridoo. It is one of the oldest instruments in the world, developed by Indigenous people in the northern parts of Australia.



It isn't an easy instrument to learn, but the boys keep practising until they get better at it.

1 Fill in the missing words from the box below.

Aboriginal cultures pass _____ from generation to _____ through _____ and oral traditions.

_____ is an important activity in Aboriginal cultures.

Participation in Aboriginal storytelling and other group _____ requires effective and _____ listening skills.

There are many forms of _____ Aboriginal music, including the didjeridoo, clap sticks and _____.

Traditional Aboriginal music has a distinct influence on _____ Aboriginal music.

**Storytelling responsible activities knowledge
music contemporary traditional drums generation**

2 What is “circular breathing”?

3 What sounds from nature can the didjeridoo mimic?

4 Why do Indigenous musicians often include traditional musical instruments and sounds in their contemporary music?

5 Make a list of the things that you enjoy and the things you find difficult about learning to play a musical instrument.

| I enjoy... | I find difficult... |
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