

Activity Type

Vocabulary and Speaking Game: impromptu speech, multiple-choice questions, communicative practice (group work)

Focus

Vocabulary related to music

Aim

To practice talking about music and using related vocabulary.

Preparation

Make one copy of the game board and cards for each group of three or four. Cut the cards out as indicated. You will also need a dice and counters for each group.

Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

Time

25 minutes

Introduction

This music vocabulary board game helps students practice talking about music and using related vocabulary.

Procedure

Divide the students into groups of three or four.

Give each group a copy of the game board, a set of cards, a dice, and counters.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face-down in a pile on the table.

Players begin by placing their counters on the start square.

Players then take turns rolling the dice and moving their counters along the board.

If a player lands on a 'Talk about' square, they talk about the music topic on the square for 20 seconds without stopping.

If a player can't think of anything to say or stops talking before the 20 seconds are up, they go back two squares.

If a player lands on a 'Trivia Question' square, another student picks up a card and reads out the music question along with three possible multiple-choice answers.

The player then chooses an answer. If it's correct, the player stays on the square. If not, they move their counter back two squares.

The card is then placed at the bottom of the pile, and it's the next student's turn to roll the dice.

The first player to reach the finish wins the game.

Finish		Talk about a singer that has a beautiful voice.	Move forward one space	Talk about an instrument you would like to learn to play.	Trivia Question
Talk about a place where you go to listen to music.		Trivia Question			Talk about a song that you like to dance to
Move back one space		Talk about a song that makes you cry.		Talk about a band that you would like to meet.	Trivia Question
Trivia Question		Trivia Question		Trivia Question	
Talk about a music video that you watched recently.		Talk about activities you do while listening to music.		Move back two spaces	
Trivia Question	Talk about a music video that you didn't like.	Talk about the last album that you bought.			
Talk about an instrument you think sounds beautiful.		Move forward two spaces		Talk about a type of music that you don't like.	Trivia Question
Trivia Question		Trivia Question		Trivia Question	
Talk about a band that comes from your country.	Trivia Question	Talk about the last concert that you went to.			Start



Which of these is not a musical instrument?

- a. a piano
- b. an album**
- c. a violin

Which country does the musical instrument, the digeridoo, come from?

- a. Australia**
- b. Thailand
- c. Nigeria

Which music streaming platform allows users to create and share custom playlists?

- a. Spotify**
- b. SoundCloud
- c. Apple Music

Which of the following singers is not from the U.S.A.?

- a. Taylor Swift
- b. Harry Styles**
- c. Beyoncé

In which year was the first music video posted on YouTube?

- a. 2000
- b. 2003
- c. 2005**

Which of these musical instruments was not invented in Italy?

- a. the piano
- b. the violin
- c. the guitar**

Which South American country does Samba music come from?

- a. Peru
- b. Colombia
- c. Brazil**

Which of these three words is not a style of music?

- a. house
- b. techno
- c. techtech**

Who sang the hit song "Rolling in the Deep"?

- a. Adele**
- b. Lady Gaga
- c. Rihanna

What do you call someone who likes and follows a singer or band?

- a. a fan**
- b. a manager
- c. a singer

Which artist released the hit song "Shape of You"?

- a. Taylor Swift
- b. Ed Sheeran**
- c. Justin Bieber

Which of these things is not something that you listen to music on?

- a. a keyboard**
- b. a laptop
- c. a radio

Which famous music artist is known for the song "Happy"?

- a. Taylor Swift
- b. Justin Bieber
- c. Pharrell Williams**

Who is the best-selling boy band of all time?

- a. Backstreet Boys**
- b. One Direction
- c. Boyz II Men

Which of these is not a place or an event where you can listen to music?

- a. a concert
- b. a club
- c. a tune**

Which of these things would a band stand on if you went to see a concert?

- a. a stage**
- b. a concert
- c. a band

Which instrument is known for its black and white keys?

- a. the violin
- b. the piano**
- c. the drums

Which of these instruments was invented first?

- a. the piano
- b. the violin
- c. the drums**

What is the best-selling album of all time?

- a. Thriller by Michael Jackson**
- b. The Dark Side of the Moon by Pink Floyd
- c. Back in Black by AC/DC

Which of these verbs is not something you do with music?

- a. record
- b. play
- c. draw**

Which K-pop group is famous for the song "Dynamite"?

- a. BTS**
- b. EXO
- c. Blackpink

Which of these is not a synonym for the word piano?

- a. a keyboard
- b. an instrument
- c. a beat**

Which of these things is not something that you can buy?

- a. an album
- b. a concert**
- c. an MP3

How many strings does a standard guitar have?

- a. 4
- b. 5
- c. 6**