

# INSTRUMENTS

Family	Instrument Names
Strings	Violin; Viola; Cello; Double bass Acoustic Guitar; Electric guitar; Bass Guitar Banjo
Woodwind	Flute Clarinet Oboe Bassoon Saxophone
Brass	Trumpet French Horn Trombone Tuba
Percussion	Timpani (Kettle Drums) Drum Kit Tambourine Xylophone Glockenspiel Piano
Voice	Soprano Alto Tenor Bass
Electronic	Electronic Keyboard Computer Software

## The String Quartet:

- Violin 1
- Violin 2
- Viola
- Cello

## Keyboard Instruments:

- Piano
- Harpsichord
- Celesta
- Synthesizer
- Electronic Organ (Hammond)
- Church Organ

## Key terms:

**Arco:** Instruction for a string player to use the bow

**Pizzicato:** Instruction for a string player to pluck the strings (do not use the bow)

**Mouth Piece:** the part of a brass or woodwind instrument you blow into.

**Tuning slide:** part of a brass instrument to help tune the instrument

**Slide:** the part of a trombone that moves in and out

**Valve:** the part of a brass instrument that helps to change note. The trumpet has three.

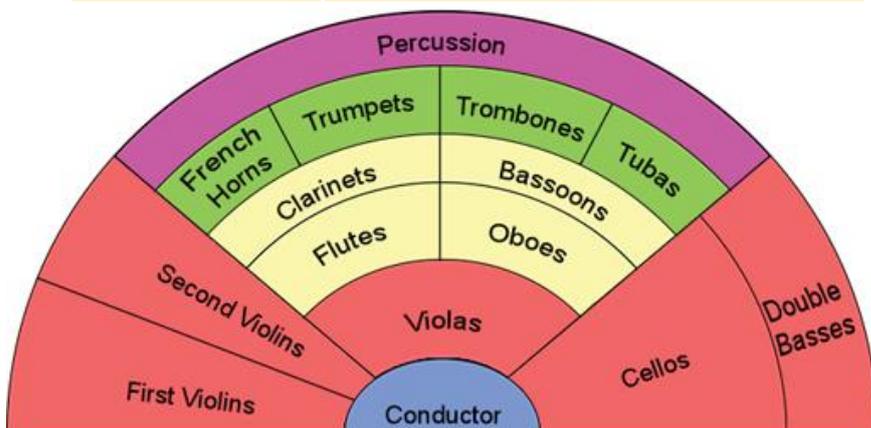
**Reed:** The thin piece of wood that makes the sound on many woodwind instruments

**Conductor:** The person who controls the orchestra

**Legato:** Instruction to play the notes smoothly

**Staccato:** Instruction to play the notes spikey

**Range:** What notes an instrument can play – the lowest note to the highest.



Where the orchestral instruments sit:

## Tier 2 Vocabulary:

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| Accompanied | Communication |
| Complement  | Comprise      |
| Categories  | Considerable  |
| Contrast    | Practitioners |
| Section     | Similar       |
| Techniques  |               |