Music

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

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Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each music word with its meaning.

1 album	____	a collection of chosen songs
2 track	____	b one song or piece of music
3 playlist	____	c main vocalist in a band
4 lead singer	____	d music used in a film or TV programme
5 drummer	____	e collection of songs released together
6 bass guitar	____	f instrument with black and white keys
7 keyboard	____	g low-pitched guitar
8 soundtrack	____	h musician who plays the drums

2 Complete the people and roles with words from the box.

band | **bass guitarist** | **composer** | **drummer** | **keyboard player** | **lead guitarist** | **lead singer** | **musician**

1 the person who sings most of the songs: _____

2 the person who plays the main guitar parts: _____

3 the person who plays the lowest guitar notes: _____

4 the person who keeps the beat with sticks: _____

5 the person who plays an electric piano: _____

6 a person who writes music: _____

7 a person who plays or writes music: _____

8 a group of people who perform together: _____

3 Choose the correct word or phrase.

1 We often *listen to / listen* jazz at home.

2 My sister *plays the guitar / plays guitar music instrument*.

3 He cannot read music, but he can play *by ear / by hearing*.

4 Mina has a *good ear / good listen* for music.

5 Can you *pick out / pick up* that tune on the piano?

6 My grandparents love *classical / classic* music.

7 The band played some fantastic *music / musics*.

8 I am really *into / inside* folk music.

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4 Complete the music-app profile with words from the box.

album | device | download | playlist | soundtrack | stream | sync | tracks

I usually **1** _____ music on my phone instead of keeping every file. When I travel, I **2** _____ a few songs to my **3** _____. Last week I bought an entire **4** _____, although I normally choose individual **5** _____. I put my favourites in a **6** _____ and **7** _____ it with my tablet. My newest choice is the **8** _____ from a science-fiction film.

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

A family with different tastes

Nora loves classical music and often listens to orchestras. Her brother Leo is a folk fan and plays traditional songs on the guitar. Their mother prefers jazz, especially live performances. Their father is into hip-hop, but he does not rap. They all enjoy film soundtracks. On Sunday evenings, each person chooses two tracks for a shared playlist.

1 Nora usually listens to orchestras. T / F

2 Leo dislikes traditional music. T / F

3 Their mother prefers live jazz. T / F

4 Their father performs rap music. T / F

5 Nobody in the family likes soundtracks. T / F

6 They create a playlist together. T / F

6 Match each description with a type of music.

1 music for an orchestra	____	a hip-hop
2 traditional community songs	____	b jazz
3 music with improvisation	____	c classical music
4 rhythmic speech over a beat	____	d folk music

OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** about your musical tastes. Mention two styles, a singer or band, how you listen, a favourite track or soundtrack, and any instrument you play or would like to play.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Use listen to and play correctly. [ ] Give one reason for your preferences.

ANSWER KEY

1 Music words

1 **e** 2 **b** 3 **a** 4 **c** 5 **h** 6 **g** 7 **f** 8 **d**

2 People and roles

1 **lead singer** 2 **lead guitarist** 3 **bass guitarist** 4 **drummer** 5 **keyboard player** 6 **composer** 7 **musician** 8 **band**

3 Correct choices

1 **listen to** 2 **plays the guitar** 3 **by ear** 4 **good ear** 5 **pick out** 6 **classical** 7 **music** 8 **into**

4 Music-app profile

1 **stream** 2 **download** 3 **device** 4 **album** 5 **tracks** 6 **playlist** 7 **sync** 8 **soundtrack**

5 Reading

1 **T**
2 **F** - Leo is a folk fan.
3 **T**
4 **F** - He likes hip-hop but does not rap.
5 **F** - They all enjoy soundtracks.
6 **T**

6 Types of music

1 **c** 2 **d** 3 **b** 4 **a**

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check music vocabulary, verb patterns and a supported preference.