



## This week...

Felix is interested in learning how to play a musical instrument while he is living in Japan. He is talking to Wakana about it.

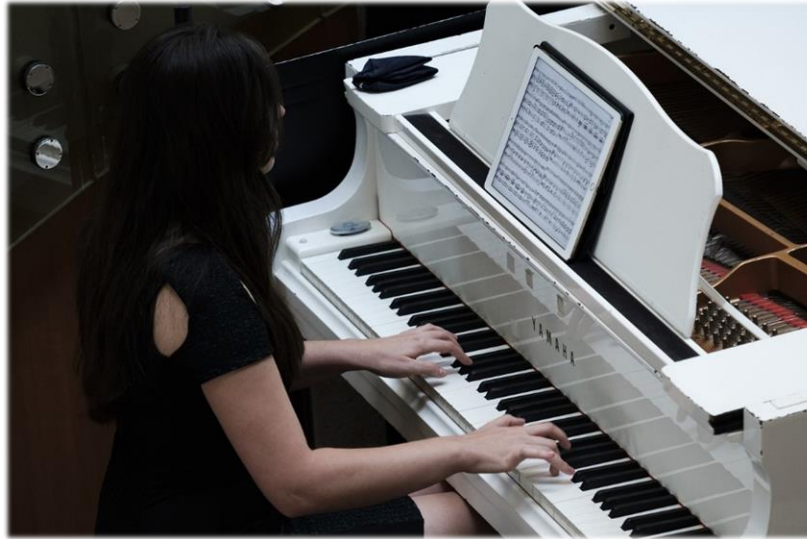
## Lesson Targets

- Talking about musical instruments
- Learning how to play instruments

## Daily English Conversation

**Advanced Class**

## Warm Up – Topic Question



Do you know how to play any instruments?

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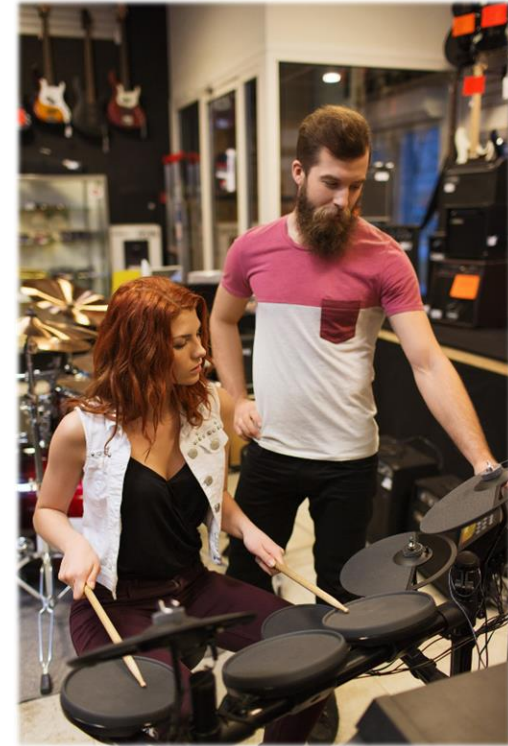
Where are they?



A



C



What are they both looking at?

B



What is she learning how to play?



Felix

I really miss playing my musical instruments. **I used to play** my piano and guitar nearly every day **when I was** in England.

Wakana

Have you ever thought about learning how to play a traditional Japanese instrument?

Felix

Yeah. **I'm really interested in learning how to** play the shamisen.

Wakana

My mother and father are both talented musicians. My mother can play the koto and my father plays the shamisen.

Felix

That's fantastic. Do you think he would have time to give me a few lessons?

Wakana

He hasn't played for a while, but **I'm sure he would be happy to** meet you and show you the basics.

Felix

That sounds like a lot of fun. **Please let me know if** he has time over the next few weeks.

Wakana

I will. He also knows a lot of shamisen players, so maybe he can introduce you to them!

Please let me know if  
you can come to my  
party on Saturday  
night.

1. I used to play ..... when I was .....
2. I'm really interested in learning  
how to .....
3. I'm sure he would be happy to .....
4. Please let me know if .....





# Role Play – Instruments

Student A and Student B are talking about what musical instruments they would like to learn how to play.



**A:** I really want to learn how to play the **Instrument** .

**B:** I've always wanted to learn how to play the **Instrument** .

## Key Phrases

- Why do you want to learn how to play that?
- I think that would be a difficult instrument to learn.
- I used to be able to play the ....
- I love the way it sounds.
- Did you play any instruments when you were younger?
- Let's find a good music teacher!
- *Other*

## Instruments

- piano
- guitar
- drums
- flute
- violin
- saxophone
- *other*

## True or False

\* Choose a topic below and tell a short story that is either true or not true. The other students in the class and the teacher ask one question each about the story. Then they guess whether your story is true or false.



1. One of my friends is a professional musician.
2. I plan to start learning a musical instrument in the near future.
3. One of my family members is good at playing a musical instrument.
4. I used to play in a band when I was younger.



- Have you ever thought about learning any new instruments?
- What do you think is the most difficult aspect of learning an instrument?
- If you could instantly master any instrument, which one would it be and why?





- Can you play any musical instruments?
- What do you think is the most difficult aspect of learning an instrument?
- (Ask a different question related to the topic)

- basics - *The **basics** are not too hard to learn.*
- introduce - *I could **introduce** you to my music teacher.*
- instrument - *I want to learn how to play an **instrument**.*
- master - *I'm going to **master** the didgeridoo.*
- professional - *I want to become a **professional** musician.*
- talented - *She is a very **talented** pianist.*
- traditional - *Is that a **traditional** Japanese song?*