

**West Virginia Music History Lesson Plan Sample**  
**Lesson Plan Title:** West Virginia Music Instrument Petting Zoo  
**Creator:** Work Group  
**Grade Level:** 1  
**Subject:** West Virginia Music History

**Essential Questions:**

What musical instruments are commonly used in traditional West Virginia Music?  
What do these musical instruments sound like?  
What do these musical instruments look like?  
How do the music instruments make sound?  
Which countries do these instruments come from originally?

**Activating Prior Knowledge:**

The teacher shows the class a live performance video of West Virginia musicians ([www.wvmusichalloffame.com](http://www.wvmusichalloffame.com)).  
The teacher discusses what instruments are commonly used in West Virginia and the different sounds made by each instrument.

**Vocabulary Development:**

Guitar, Upright Bass, Bass Guitar, Banjo, Mandolin, Violin, Fiddle, Drums

**Active Participation/Group Activities:**

Students are able to pick up and examine various musical instruments used by West Virginia musicians.  
Students will draw freehand pictures of their favorite instrument.

**Evaluation:**

Students can identify musical instrument names on sight using Flash cards or pictures.  
Students can identify musical instrument sounds from audio examples.

**Materials:**

Guitar, Upright Bass, Bass Guitar, Banjo, Mandolin, Violin, Fiddle, Drums

**Websites:**

<http://www.wvmusichalloffame.com/>  
<http://libraryguides.berea.edu/content.php?pid=339743&sid=2785296>

**Next Generation Standards:**

**Music History**

MH.1.WV.1.2a  
MH.1.WV1.2b  
MH.1.WV.1.3

**Visual Arts**

VA.O.1.2.01  
VA.O.1.2.02  
VA.O.1.2.03  
VA.O.1.2.04  
VA.O.1.2.05  
VA.O.1.2.06  
VA.O.1.3.01  
VA.O.1.5.02