



MUSIC

Merit Badge Requirements

- 1) Sing or play a simple song or hymn chosen by your counselor using good technique, phrasing, tone, rhythm, and dynamics. Read all the signs and terms of the score.
- 2) Name the five general groups of musical instruments. Tell how you get tones from one instrument in each group.
- 3) Do TWO of the following:
 - A) Go to a classical or semi-classical musical performance or listen to three hours of such programs on radio, television, compact discs, tapes, records, or videos. Report what you heard. Name the composers, artists, and conductors. Know the story of any program music or opera you heard. Discuss how you feel about the music.
 - B) Outline the development of music in the United States. Show that you know the lives and works of five better-known American composers and musical artists.
 - C) Serve for six months as a member of a school, church, Scout unit, or other local musical organization, or perform as a soloist in public six times.
- 4) Do ONE of the following:
 - A) Teach three songs to a group of people. Lead them in singing the songs, using proper hand motions.
 - B) Compose and write the score for a piece of music twelve measures or more.
 - C) Make a primitive instrument and learn to play it.
 - D) Catalog your own or your family's collection of twelve or more compact discs, tapes or records. Show how to handle and store them.

If you selected **Option B**:

Outline the development of music in the United States: _____

Briefly describe the lives and works of 5 better-known American composers and musical artists

Name: _____ Works: _____

Brief description of composer/artist: _____

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If you selected **Option C**:

If you chose this option it required that you serve as a member of a school, church, Scout unit, or other local musical organization for at least 6 months. After completing this use this area to describe your experience, including the name of the organization, how long you served for, performances given, etc.: _____

