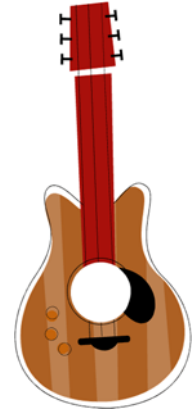


The Guitar

The guitar is an instrument that produces a sound from the vibration of its strings. Its fingerboard, also called its neck, has frets (metal wires) across it. When you place your fingers on different frets, the sounds made by plucking or strumming the strings changes. The guitars neck is attached to a curved body. The body of an acoustic guitar is hollow, so that sound from the vibrating strings is amplified (made louder). The guitar is a very popular instrument. In addition to the acoustic guitar, there is the classical guitar, electric guitar, and bass guitar. Other similar instruments include the banjo, the lute, the mandolin, and the cello guitar. Each type of guitar makes a different kind of sound and is used to make different styles of music.



1. How does a guitar produce sound?

2. What are the metal wires on the fingerboard of a guitar called?

3. Fill in the blank: The body of an acoustic guitar is _____

4. True or False: There is only one kind of guitar. _____