

Activity for Nadia's Story

Nadia and her friend Sergiy both played in the band at their school in Kiev, Ukraine. Instruments are often mentioned in the Bible, especially in the Old Testament. Make a bulletin of musical instruments. Write out each of the Bible verses below on pieces of paper. Next, draw (or trace) pictures of the instruments noted in the Bible verses from a Bible dictionary, or print them from pictures you find from a computer search. Here's a useful link: [The God Who Speaks](#)

Do a computer search of the following Bulgarian instruments: gadulka, kavals, tambura, and gaida. Include pictures and descriptions of those for the bulletin board. Here's a helpful link: [Bulgarian folk music instruments \(balkanfolk.com\)](#). Here are some Ukrainian instruments: sopilka, kobza, trembita, tsymbaly, torban, bandura, and lira. Here's a link to help with that: [Ukrainian Musical Instruments — Green Tour Ukraine \(greentourua.com\)](#). Include pictures of students with their instruments, or family members with their instruments.

For the bulletin board, attach the pictures of the Biblical instruments and attach them next to the corresponding Bible verses. A couple verses mention more than one instrument so you could choose which instrument to put it by or make more than one copy of the verse and put it by all the instruments to which it refers. You may want to expand it to include verses about singing, or playing instruments or music in general. Add Bulgarian and Ukrainian instruments.

Psalm 150:3

Revelation 5:8

Isaiah 38:20

Psalm 45:8

Exodus 19:16

Exodus 19:19

I Corinthians 13:1

Psalm 150:4

Numbers 10:2

Judges 3:27

Isaiah 30:29

I Samuel 10:5

Nehemiah 4:20

Revelation 8:2

Joshua 6:4

Joshua 6:5

I Corinthians 14:7

Psalm 150:3

Psalm 150:4

Psalm 150:5

More activities described below:

Another activity could focus on Ukrainian and Bulgarian folk music as well as traditional costumes. Bulgarian and Ukrainian groups in these countries and in the United States usually wear special costumes while performing folk music. Here's the link to a You Tube video showing both the costumes and musical instruments of Ukraine: [Slavic Folk Music /Ukrainian Folk Music /Danube, danube/Дунаю, Дунаю - Bing video](#) And here's one showing some Bulgarian costumes and a few musical instruments: ["Galabina" - Bulgarian Folk Song - Bing video](#) and this one [Traditional bulgarian music - Georgi Petrov - Part 1 - Bing video](#)

Students would like to make a recording of them singing a hymn or other song to go along with video pictures of their classroom. These can be forwarded to the Lutheran church in southern Ukraine you'll be helping. Email address to follow.