High IQ World Championships 2016

ACTIVITY 3: IDENTIFY MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Overview

- i. Competitors must identify musical instruments played in song recordings.
- ii. Competitors will hear an audio sample of a selection of 6 instruments being played before hearing a series of 8 song samples.
- iii. There will be one or more instruments played in each song sample.
- iv. The competitor will be given an answer sheet that has the names and photos of the selection of 6 musical instruments, with an empty box next to each photo for the competitor to record which song sample or samples this instrument appears in.
- v. The competitor must correctly identify which musical instrument or instruments were used in each song sample from the 6 instruments on their answer sheets.

Instructions

- i. An MP3 player, headphones, answer sheet and pen are placed on the table in front of the seated competitor.
- ii. The competitor may put on the headphones before the bell is rung.
- iii. Once the bell is rung, the Activity Adjudicator will press play on the MP3 Player. The competitor will hear 6 short samples of an instrument being played. Then the samples will be played a second time.
- iv. Once this is complete, the competitor will hear 8 song samples. Each song sample will be played a second time.
- v. Once hearing the song sample, the competitor must identify which musical instrument are used in the sample by clearly and legibly writing the sample number next to the instrument or instruments on their answer sheet.
- vi. The audio recording will be played through once only and cannot be rewound or paused by the competitor.
- vii. When the bell is rung a second time the activity is over. The competitor will place the headphones back onto the table in front of them and hand the Activity Adjudicator their answer sheet.

Scoring

- i. Competitors will be awarded 1 mark for each correctly identified instruments played in a sample. So if there are two instruments played in a sample, there are two potential marks.
- ii. Competitors are penalized 2 points per incorrectly identified instrument.

Physical Requirements

- Noise Cancelling Headphones
- MP3 Player
- Answer sheet
- Pen