



# Pentatonic Smart

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## worksheet

Highlight the correct answer for each question.

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| How many different notes are there in a pentatonic scale?                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 4</li> <li>b. 5</li> <li>c. 8</li> <li>d. 12</li> </ul>   |
| Where has pentatonic music developed?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Africa</li> <li>b. Lots of places across the globe</li> <li>c. Australia</li> <li>d. Asia</li> </ul>  |
| Which of these popular styles of music is often based on the pentatonic scale?          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Pop songs</li> <li>b. R 'n' B</li> <li>c. Folk</li> <li>d. Jazz</li> </ul>  |
| The easiest way to play a pentatonic scale on the keyboard is...                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. by starting with the lowest key</li> <li>b. by starting with the highest key</li> <li>c. by starting on any white key and working out the pattern</li> <li>d. by playing all of the black keys</li> </ul>             |
| The ♭ (flat) symbol means...  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. play the note one key lower than the white key note</li> <li>b. play the note one key higher than the white key note</li> <li>c. hold the note on for longer</li> </ul>   |
| The pentatonic major starts with...   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. two leaps</li> <li>b. a mixture of step and leap</li> <li>c. three notes that are two equal steps apart (whole tones)</li> <li>d. three equal steps</li> </ul>  |
| Why is it easy to improvise using the pentatonic scale?                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. because it has only five notes</li> <li>b. because everyone knows how to do it</li> <li>c. because it is hard to play something that doesn't sound good</li> <li>d. because you can play any note you like</li> </ul> |
| Why is it useful to know where the key note is?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. This tells you which note sounds good to start and end your ideas on</li> <li>b. So you can show off your knowledge</li> </ul>  |
| Which one of these countries has used the pentatonic major scale in a lot of its music? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Russia</li> <li>b. France</li> <li>c. Australia</li> <li>d. China</li> </ul>  |
| Which of these note patterns is a pentatonic scale?                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. C D E F G A B C</li> <li>b. A B C D E F G A</li> <li>c. G A B C D E F G</li> <li>d. G A B D E G</li> </ul>  |

How well did you do?

Save a copy of this on your computer to keep a record of what you have learnt.