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Thumbnail	Name	Date	Size	Description	Find out more online
	Factory Records Vinyl	1982	1 mm x 172 mm	For much of the 20th Century, music was sold on records like this. It is made of vinyl, a type of plastic. It has a narrow spiral line, which a record player needle traces to play the music.	https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8601037/merry-xmas-from-the-hacienda-and-factory-records-vinyl-gramophone-record
	Horn for edison phonograph	1909	525 mm x 290 mm x 290 mm	This horn is part of a phonograph, a type of record player. The music's sound would travel through the horn, and the horn's shape would help make the sound louder.	https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8183727/horn-for-edison-fireside-phonograph-c-1909-phonograph-horn

	<p>Rebana Ubi Drum used for opening of Manchester Commonwealth Games</p>		<p>1400 mm 1900 mm</p>	<p>In Malaysia, Rebana Ubi are the biggest kind of drum used in ceremonies. In 2002, this drum was used for the opening of the Manchester Commonwealth Games, a big sports competition.</p>	<p>https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8419098/rebana-ubi-drum-drum</p>
	<p>Electric Guitar</p>	<p>1990-1998</p>	<p>1000 x 400 x 100 mm</p>	<p>Electric guitars were first used by jazz musicians. They use an amplifier to give a louder sound than acoustic guitars.</p>	<p>https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co523571/electric-guitar-electric-guitar</p>
	<p>Wasp Music Synthesizer</p>	<p>1978-2000</p>	<p>110 mm x 435 mm x 360 mm</p>	<p>Synthesizers are electronic instruments. This one, the Wasp, was designed by the Electronic Dream Plant. Musicians could play the keys, and use the dials to change the sound of the notes.</p>	<p>https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8244001/wasp-music-synthesiser-synthesizer</p>

	<p>BBC Marconi Ribbon Microphone</p>	<p>1944-1959</p>	<p>330 mm x 150 mm x 95 mm</p>	<p>Microphones like this one were used by the BBC from the 1940s. They became an icon because of their distinctive design and BBC branding, as well as being photographed in use by celebrities.</p>	<p>https://collection.science.museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co35328/bbc-marconi-axbt-ribbon-microphone-1944-1959-microphone</p>
	<p>Portable Bush Radio</p>	<p>1965</p>	<p>260 x 330 x 85 mm</p>	<p>At the time it was made, this radio was the height of fashion. Its lightweight design, handle and modern plastic and leather case were popular in Britain during the 1950s and 60s.</p>	<p>https://collection.science.museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co499440/portable-transistor-radio-set-model-vtr-103-series-portable-radio-set</p>
	<p>Conch shell trumpet</p>	<p>1871 - 1920</p>		<p>Conches are the shells of sea snails, and are used as wind instruments across many parts South America and South Asia. Sometimes holes are drilled in to create different notes.</p>	<p>https://collection.science.museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co103361/conch-shell-trumpet-damaged-papuan-from-new-gui-trumpets</p>



Three women
with musical
instruments

1900

This photograph was taken by James Arthur in his photography studio. The women are posed, and the background and instruments are used to make the photograph look like a painting.

<https://collection.science.museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8229024/three-women-with-musical-instruments-photograph>