

Unit 4

Task 1: Read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

THE ORCHESTRA	
An orchestra is a type of musical group that has around fifty band members and is led by a _____. Although orchestras don't usually play 'rock n roll' music and people _____ won't dance when they go see this type of band, the lovely sounds of an orchestra are very popular across the globe.	CONDUCT PROBABLE
Orchestras always include a wide variety of _____ playing all types of different instruments. The instruments of an orchestra can be divided into the following four categories: string, brass, woodwind and percussion. The string section _____ includes such instruments as the violin, the cello, the bass and the piano, which also fits into the percussion section.	MUSIC USUAL
Next, the brass section will have tubas, trumpets and trombones. Then, the woodwind _____ might include flutes, clarinets and sometimes saxophones. Finally, the percussion section will _____ consist of drums, tambourines, and cymbals. Sometimes an orchestra will include a harpist or a _____, which don't belong to any of the subdivisions.	DIVIDE NORMAL GUITAR
At the head of the orchestra is a conductor who is in charge of directing all the musicians so that they keep the correct tempo. He also indicates to the orchestra when to play quieter or louder. He does this by moving his arms around in grand gestures, every _____ indicating to the musicians a different command.	MOVE
Orchestras will usually play classical music but there are more contemporary orchestras that prefer to play modern pop-style music. This will depend on the _____ of the musicians. Although many people have never been to see an orchestra perform live, we have all heard them play as they often create and perform the music in movies, musicals and at ballet _____.	PREFER PERFORM

Task 2: Choose the collocation that best fits the sentence.

- The moment **they got on stage/is on tour/recorded an album** the crowd went crazy.
- "You Rock my World", a song released in 2009, was Michael Jackson's last **concert/hit single/sold out concert**
- Fans usually go to stadiums, concert halls or bars when they are **giving a concert/recording an album/going to a concert**

4. I've always wanted to **play in a band/be on tour**.
5. Usually when a concert is **recording an album/sold out/on tour** people still try to buy secondhand tickets online.
6. The best concert I ever saw them **release/put/give** was in London.
7. 'The National' was the last band to **play at/perform/put on** the Rockfest festival in 2012.
8. The last album that Radiohead recorded was **played/released/sold out** in 2011. It took them over 2 years to **record an album/be onstage/join a band**.
9. Green Day fans often say that they **performed/played/sold out** when they released the song 'American Idiot'.
10. While **playing/on tour/recording an album** my band **put on/had sold out** its best concert in Berlin.
11. It wasn't until university that I **joined/took part in/became friends with** my first band.
12. I only started to like the Cat Empire when I **played in their band/was onstage/saw them play live**.

Task 3: Which words in the following sentences should be stressed?

1. Did you eat the cake?
2. Let's go after lunch
3. Can you take a call from her?
4. I'm really bored.
5. It was nice to meet you
6. I need to wash my hair
7. Should we do it?
8. Can you feed the dog?

Task 4: Put the words in the box in each of the instrument categories below.

<i>Xylophone</i>	<i>Trumpet</i>	<i>Saxophone</i>	<i>Organ</i>	<i>Piano</i>	<i>Harpsichord</i>
<i>Violin</i>	<i>Cello</i>	<i>Harp</i>	<i>Clarinet</i>	<i>French horn</i>	<i>Cymbals</i>
					<i>Drums</i>

- 1- Percussion instruments: _____
- 2- Brass instruments: _____

- 3- Woodwind instruments: _____
- 4- Keyboard instruments: _____
- 5- String instruments: _____

Task 5: Match the words on the left side of the box to their definitions on the right side.

1- GESTURE	a- The speed of a song
2- HARPIST	b- A theatrical play combined with many songs
3- CONDUCTOR	c- Movement with the hands or body used to indicate a thought, or emphasize something
4- MUSICAL	d- Someone who plays the harp
5- TEMPO	e- Someone who directs an orchestra

Task 6: Read the sentences below and listen to the recording “Interview with a rock star” from Unit 4 again. Complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

- Jimmy is the guitarist of a _____ group called “Skull Bones”.
- They will be on stage in the _____.
- The band has been touring for the last _____ months.
- Right now, they will be playing in _____ for the next few weeks.
- People want them to play their _____.
- Crush says that the tour is mainly to promote their new _____.
- Crush’s favourite song is “Deadly Love” because the crowd goes _____.
- The host will be sitting in the _____ row.