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The History of Bluegrass

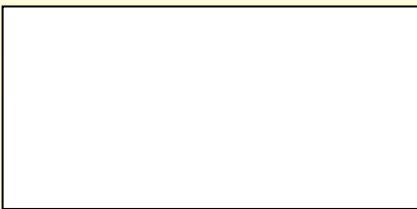
Bluegrass music has roots in America dating back to the 1600's when immigrants from all over Ireland, Scotland and England began migrating to America. The earliest form of Bluegrass music was known as mountain music, and was sometimes even referred to as Country Music as the music itself was representative of what life was like living in the country. Bluegrass music began to evolve in the 1900's as the radio was introduced and more Americans became exposed to the unique musical style.

Bluegrass bands are made up of a variety of string instruments, including banjos, guitars, mandolins, fiddles, bass fiddles, steel guitars, bass guitars and ukuleles. The harmonica is also a very popular instrument found in bluegrass bands.

Do your research

Look up the following instruments. Draw an image of what the instrument looks like and write 3 interesting facts about that instrument.

Banjo

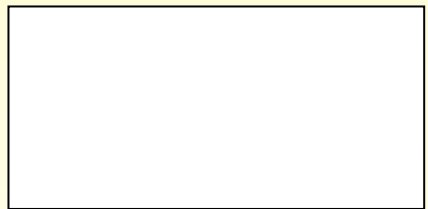


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Fiddle



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Go to **Youtube.com** and search for the following artists and songs:

- a) Monroe Brothers (New River Train)
- b) Foggy Mountain Boys (Hear The Wind Blow)
- c) Rhonda Vincent (Beneath Still Waters)

Extra Credit: Attend a live performance.

OCCC presents Rhonda Vincent on Friday, January 22, 2016, at 7:30 P.M. in the Visual and Performing Arts Center Theater located at 7777 S. May Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK.



Tickets to the performance may be purchased at tickets.occc.edu.

For more information visit: www.occc.edu/pas