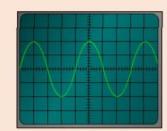


Sound is a type of energy. Sounds are created by vibrations. These vibrations travel as a wave, causing the sound to move through particles to our ears, so that we can hear it. Sounds can travel through solids, liquids and gases.

Faster vibrations = higher pitch

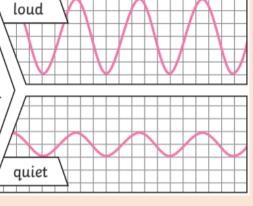
Slower vibrations = lower pitch





The size of the vibration is called the amplitude.

Louder sounds have a larger amplitude, and quieter sounds have a smaller amplitude.



<u>Pitch</u> – We change the pitch of different instruments in different ways: **Percussion -** Changing the size of the instrument, or on a drum, the tightness of the skin.



Wind and Brass - Changing the length of the column of air.





String - Changing the length and tightness of the strings.



Vocabulary

Vibration: A quick back and forth movement.

Sound Wave: A type of wave that moves through the air which allows you to hear.

Pitch: The measure of how high or low a sound is.

Volume: Measure of how loud or quiet a sound is.

Musical Instruments: Items that can be used to make sounds.

Percussion Instruments: Instruments that make a sound through being hit directly.

Wind Instruments: Instruments that make a sound by the player blowing into or across them.

Brass Instruments: Instruments usually made of brass or other metals that create a sound when the player vibrates their lips into a mouthpiece.

String Instruments – Instruments that make a sound using vibrations through a string.

Insulate: To add a material to something to stop or reduce the amount of sound it produces.