INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: Percussion

Module 3

Enduring Understanding	Sounds and silences can be written and played musically on percussion instruments.		
California Standards Addressed	1.1	Read, write, and perform simple rhythmic patterns, using eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, dotted half notes, whole notes, and rests.	
	2.3	Play rhythmic and melodic phrases in question and answer form.	
	4.1	Select and use specific criteria in making judgments about the quality of a musical performance.	
Sample Performance Task	Student will choose and play an 8-measure percussion exercise from his/her music book that contains quarter notes, eighth notes 5-stroke and 9-stroke rolls. Use the correct grip and keep a steady beat.		
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		The exercise is played with a steady beat.The exercise is played accurately.	
	•	• The correct grip is used.	

^{*}Standards are from Grade 3 unless otherwise indicated. The wording may have been modified for instrumental music.

SUGGESTED STEPS

Step 1: Learn bounce, rebound and 5-stroke open rolls.

- Review rhythms syllables and counting by reading various rhythm patterns.
- Watch, listen to and echo double strokes that are played by the teacher.
- Identify and discuss bounce and rebound.
- Improvise question and answer phrases using quarter notes and groups of 4 sixteenth notes.
- Practice playing all sixteenth notes as double strokes (5-stroke rolls).
- Write using a Journal Prompt:
 - 1. Guided: Write a 4-measure pattern. Practice your pattern.
 - 2. Independent: Describe how to play a double stroke.

Step 2: Learn bounce, rebound and 9-stroke open rolls.

- Review note values in various 4-beat rhythm patterns. Count and keep a steady beat.
- Watch, listen to and echo single and double strokes.
- Play question and answer phrases using quarter notes and 2 groups of 4 sixteenth notes (9-stroke rolls).
- Write using a Journal Prompt: Write a 4-measure exercise using quarter notes and 9-stroke rolls (sixteenth notes).

Step 3: Practice combining quarter notes and 5- and 9-stroke open rolls.

- Review note values in various 4-beat rhythm patterns. Count and keep a steady beat.
- Echo 2-measure patterns containing these note values played by the teacher.
- Use rhythm syllables to read patterns from the book or from the board and pat the steady beat.
- Use rhythm syllables and play patterns from the book or from the board as the teacher plays steady beat.
- Improvise/play questions and answer phrases combining 5-stroke and 9-stroke rolls.
- Practice counting aloud wile playing.
- Write using a Journal Prompt: Write a 4-measure rhythm exercise using quarter notes and 5- and 9-stroke rolls.

Step 4: Practice rolls from notation.

- Review drumming skills and counting.
- Practice to refine double strokes. Work on a faster rebound.
- Perform question and answer phrases using quarter notes, eighth notes and closed 5- and 9-stroke rolls.
- Read an exercise from the book and write the beat numbers.
- Practice long, closed double stroke rolls.
- Write using a Journal Prompt: Describe how to play a closed roll.

Step 5: Practice closed rolls from notation.

- Review single strokes and closed double strokes.
- Improvise/play question and answer phrases combining quarter notes, eighth notes, and 5-and 9-stroke rolls.
- Read an exercise from the book and write beat numbers.
- Practice exercises from the book.
- Write using a Journal Prompt: Write a 4-measure exercise using quarter notes, eighth notes and 5-and 9-stroke closed rolls.

Step 6: Practice specific skills necessary to accomplish the Performance Task.

- Discuss the three criteria on the Assessment Checklist.
- Review single and double strokes.
- Improvise/play question and answer phrases combining 5- and 9-stroke rolls.
- Practice exercises from the music book.
- Choose an exercise to play for the Performance Task.

Step 7: Do the Performance Task.

- Review and discuss the scoring checklist.
- Play the **Performance Task** in small groups, pairs, or as solos.