Music Time with Drums, Guitar, and Song

Japanese · elementary · kids music · children · 6 min

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01 VOCABULARY

Elementary Japanese learning song about kids music. The voice drills each chunk with its meaning so the words attach to the sound - listen, then answer in the gaps.

	CHUNK	MEANING	IN CONTEXT
1	まいしゅう もくようびに ピアノを ひきます。 Maishuu mokuyoubi ni piano o hikimasu.	Every Thursday I play the piano.	fingers tapping the black and white keys in the music room after school
2	きれいな うたを うたいます。 Kirei na uta o utaimasu.	I sing a pretty song.	singing softly with a big smile while the class listens
3	たいこで リズムを とってね。 Taiko de rizumu o totte ne.	Keep the rhythm on the drum, okay?	a bouncy drumbeat that tells everyone where the clapping goes
4	ギターを ひく。 Gitaa o hiku.	Play the guitar.	strumming a shiny guitar with a friend on the porch
5	うたを うたう。 Uta o utau.	Sing a song.	everyone joining in on the chorus at the school concert

NEW WORDS (12)

maishuu まいしゅう
every week

piano ピアノ
piano

hikimasu ひきます
play

kirei きれい
pretty

na な
that is

uta うた
song

utaimasu うたいます
sing

taiko たいこ
drum

gitaa ギター
guitar

fue ふえ
flute

rizumu リズム
rhythm

totte とって
keep

Practice tip · First listen without reading and just tap the pulse; on the second pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after the echo.

[SOUND DRILL]

ta

i

ko

pi

a

no

[REVIEW]

Ichiba de kudamono o kaimasu.

At the market I buy fruit.

Ichigo no kago wa ikura desu ka?

How much is the basket of strawberries?

Omise no hito ga otsuri o kuremasu.

The shop person gives me change.

Shichiji ni okimasu.

I get up at seven.

Kyou wa getsuyoubi desu.

Today is Monday.

Doyoubi wa ichinichijuu asobimasu.

On Saturday I play all day long.

[CHORUS]

Maishuu mokuyoubi ni piano o hikimasu.

Every Thursday I play the piano.

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Every Thursday I play the piano.

Kirei na uta o utaimasu.

I sing a pretty song.

Kirei na uta o utaimasu.

I sing a pretty song.

[VERSE 1]

Maishuu mokuyoubi ni piano o hikimasu.

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piano

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hikimasu

play

maishuu

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[VERSE 2]

Taiko de rizumu o totte ne.

Keep the rhythm on the drum, okay?

taiko

drum

rizumu

rhythm

totte

keep

Taiko de rizumu o totte ne.

Keep the rhythm on the drum, okay?

Gitaa o hiku.

Play the guitar.

gitaa

guitar

Gitaa o hiku.

Play the guitar.

Fue no uta.

A song on the flute.

fue

flute

Fue no uta.

A song on the flute.

Uta o utau.

Sing a song.

Uta o utau.

Sing a song.

Taiko de rizumu o totte ne.

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[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 3]

Mite, ichigo ga aka desu!
Look, the strawberries are red!
Tomodachi to issho ni utaimasu.
I sing together with my friend.
Tomodachi to issho ni utaimasu.
I sing together with my friend.
Ii uta desu ne.
It is a nice song, right?
Ookii taiko, chiisai fue.
Big drum, small flute.
Ookii taiko, chiisai fue.
Big drum, small flute.
Kyou wa doyoubi desu.
Today is Saturday.
Ichinichijuu uta o utaimasu.
I sing all day long.
Ichinichijuu uta o utaimasu.
I sing all day long.

[CHORUS]

Maishuu mokuyoubi ni piano o hikimasu.
Every Thursday I play the piano.
Maishuu mokuyoubi ni piano o hikimasu.
Every Thursday I play the piano.
Kirei na uta o utaimasu.
I sing a pretty song.
Kirei na uta o utaimasu.
I sing a pretty song.

[RECAP]

Maishuu mokuyoubi ni piano o hikimasu.

Kirei na uta o utaimasu.

Taiko de rizumu o totte ne.

Gitaa o hiku.

Grey lines are a reading aid for the script; the singer performs the language itself.

HOW TO USE THIS SONG

1. Listen to the whole song once without reading — just follow the pulse.
2. Listen again while reading the lyrics; let the echo lines carry the meaning.
3. On the third pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after it is sung.
4. Use one phrase from this sheet today, in a real conversation or out loud.

DRILL MAP

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