

GRADE 3 RATIONALIZED CREATIVE ARTS COMPLETE NOTES

TERM 1

TOPIC 1: CREATION AND EXPLORATION

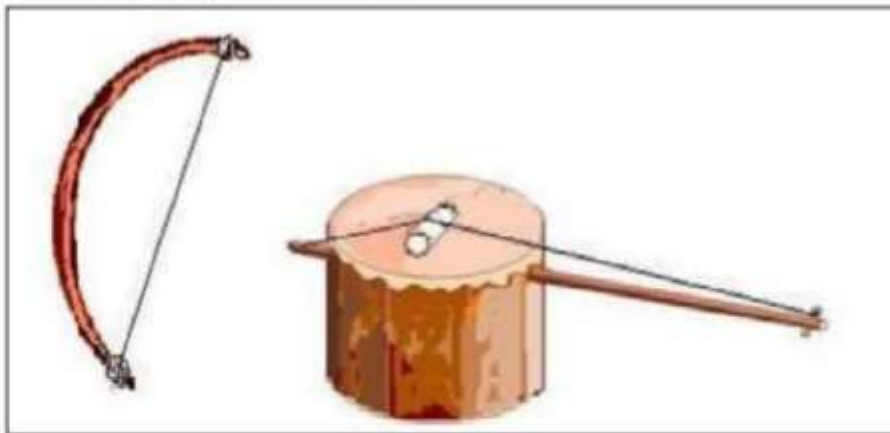
Painting

Kenyan musical instruments

Stringed musical instruments

- These are musical instruments that have strings.
- String instruments are played by plucking or rubbing strings
- A string instrument can have one,two or more number of strings.
- There are different types of string instruments found among the Kenyan communities.
- Fiddles are string instruments that have one or two strings

7. Bow - used to play the instrument.



Examples of Kenyan single stringed musical instruments are and the community they come from;

Fiddle	Community
Orutu	Luo
Mbeve	Kamba

Ekegogo	Abakuria
Mwazigizi or zeze	Taita
Ageregeret	Teso
Ishiriri	Abaluhya
Wandindi	Kikuyu
Kimeng'eng	Kalenjin
Ong'eng'eng or Otere	Abagusii

Parts of a single stringed musical instrument and their functions.



1. **Arm/ Neck** _ for holding and supporting the instrument when playing.
2. **String** _ it is plucked to produce sound
3. **Resonator** _ makes the sound louder.
4. **Membrane/ skin** _ used to cover the resonator.
5. **Bridge** _ used to make the sound clearer by separating the string from the skin or membrane.
6. **Bow** _ used to play the instrument.