

## Decodable Texts: All Silent E

"This nonfiction story teaches how a flute works. Watch for silent E words like 'flute,' 'note,' 'name,' and 'theme' as you learn!"



### How a Flute Makes Music

A flute is a tube-shaped tool used to make music.

It has holes along the side and a space to blow in air.

When a player moves their fingers, the notes change.

Flutes are used in bands, at parades, and in concerts.

The sound can be soft or sharp, high or low.

Before a concert, players must name the songs and complete the tune list.

The flute helps set the tone and theme for the scene.

After reading the story, have your child point to and slowly sound out each practice word.

flute

note

name

tone

theme



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## How a Flute Makes Music

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**1. What is a flute used for?**

- A. Painting signs
- B. Making music
- C. Mixing food
- D. Blowing bubbles

**2. How does the player change the notes?**

- A. By kicking the flute
- B. By shaking it
- C. By moving their fingers
- D. By using a rope

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**3. Fill in the blank:**

The flute helps set the \_\_\_\_\_ for the scene.

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**4. What makes the flute special compared to other instruments?**

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**5. How do people get ready to play the flute in a concert?**

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** All Silent E Patterns

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Music

**High-Frequency Words:** has, in, the, at, before

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## Before Reading

1. This story uses silent E patterns to describe a musical instrument—watch for words like “flute,” “note,” and “complete.”
  2. Have you ever heard a flute in a song or show?
  3. What sounds do you think a flute might make?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Help your child stretch silent E words like “tone,” “name,” and “theme.” Talk about how the E makes the vowel say its name.
  2. Watch for silent E words that describe parts of music
  3. What does the flute do when fingers cover the holes?
  4. Read the final line like you’re part of a real concert!
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## After Reading

1. Retell how the flute works and how it makes sounds
  2. Why is the flute important in a concert?
  3. What instrument would you like to learn and why?
  4. Skill Check: Highlight six silent E pattern words in the story
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again in a soft, smooth voice like you're playing the music out loud!
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## Activity Idea

Draw a picture of a flute with labeled parts. Use silent E words like “note,” “name,” and “tone.” Then write one sentence about how a flute sets the theme of a song.

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## Coaching Tip

Musical topics spark creativity and attention—use sound and rhythm to strengthen decoding and fluency.

