

**Note-taking  
Worksheet****Sound****Section 1 What is sound?**

- A. Sound is produced by \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. A sound wave is a \_\_\_\_\_ wave in which air molecules move back and forth along the direction the sound wave is moving.
1. A soundwave is created by a \_\_\_\_\_ of compressions and rarefactions.
    - a. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a region of higher density air molecules.
    - b. A region of lower density air molecules is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Sound waves can be described by their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Sound waves can travel through various materials at different \_\_\_\_\_.
1. Sound travels \_\_\_\_\_ through solids, and \_\_\_\_\_ through gases.
  2. Sound travels faster in a \_\_\_\_\_ substance.
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ is the human perception of how much energy a sound wave carries.
1. Sound waves with greater \_\_\_\_\_ carry more energy and sound louder.
  2. The decibel (db) scale describes the energy carried by sound waves.
- E. \_\_\_\_\_—how high or low a sound seems
1. Pitch is related to frequency and wavelength; the \_\_\_\_\_ the frequency and the \_\_\_\_\_ the wavelength, the \_\_\_\_\_ the pitch.
  2. The length and thickness of \_\_\_\_\_ help determine the pitch of the human voice.
    - a. Shorter, thinner chords vibrate at \_\_\_\_\_ frequencies than longer or thicker ones.
    - b. People can vary their vocal pitch within a limited range by using the \_\_\_\_\_ in the throat to stretch the cords.

**Note-taking Worksheet (continued)**

- F. \_\_\_\_\_—a sound wave reflected off of a hard surface
1. The delay in reflection of sound is used to measure \_\_\_\_\_, such as in sonar systems which map the ocean floor and other undersea features.
  2. Some animals use \_\_\_\_\_ to navigate and hunt.
- G. \_\_\_\_\_—change in frequency that is due to the motion of a sound source or listener
- H. Sound waves \_\_\_\_\_, which means they can bend around obstacles or spread out after passing through a narrow opening.
- I. Sound waves can be used in \_\_\_\_\_ to treat disorders or make an image of the body's interior; ultra-sound uses \_\_\_\_\_-frequency sound as an alternative to some surgeries.

**Section 2 Music**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ is a group of sounds that have been deliberately produced to make a regular pattern.
1. \_\_\_\_\_—frequency at which a particular object will vibrate
    - a. Natural frequency depends on the size and \_\_\_\_\_ of the object and the material it is made from.
    - b. Musical \_\_\_\_\_ use the natural frequencies of strings, drumheads, or columns of air to produce notes.
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when an object is made to vibrate at its natural frequency by absorbing energy from a sound wave or another object vibrating at this frequency.
- B. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the lowest frequency produced by a particular object; **overtones** are higher frequency waves that are multiples of the fundamental frequency.
- C. Musical instrument—\_\_\_\_\_ that produces a musical sound
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ instruments produce music by making strings vibrate; a hollow chamber or box, called a resonator, usually amplifies the sound.