instrument Apresyan (En-Ru)

1. ['instrəmənt] *n*

1. орудие; инструмент, прибор; аппарат

precision instruments - точные приборы

instrument board - mex. распределительный щит; приборная доска

instrument panel - щит /пульт/ управления

instrument room - аппаратная, аппаратный зал (на телеграфе)

instrument flying - ав. полёт по приборам

instrument landing - ав. посадка по приборам

2. орудие, средство (для достижения цели)

an instrument of fate - орудие судьбы

to be an instrument in smb.'s hands - быть слепым орудием в чьих-л. руках

to become smb.'s paid instrument - стать чьим-л. наймитом/платным агентом/

3. музыкальный инструмент

stringed [wind, percussion] instruments - струнные [духовые, ударные] инструменты

to play (on) an instrument - играть на (музыкальном) инструменте

to tune an instrument - настраивать (музыкальный) инструмент

4. юр. документ; акт; грамота

instrument of ratification - ратификационнаяграмота

instrument of accession - документ о присоединении (к договору)

2. ['instrəmənt] V

- 1. муз. инструментовать оркестровать
- 2. юр.
- 1) составить договор, акт
- 2) подавать прошение

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in-stru-ment [instrument instruments instrumented instrumenting] BrE

['Instrement] * NAME ['Instrement] * noun

- 1. a tool or device used for a particular task, especially for delicate or scientific work
- · surgical/optical/precision, etc. instruments
- · instruments of torture
- 2. = ↑musical instrument
 - Is he learning an instrument?
- brass/stringed, etc. instruments
- 3. a device used for measuring speed, distance, temperature, etc. in a vehicle or on a piece of machinery
 - · the flight instruments
- the instrument panel
- 4. (formal) something that is used by sb in order to achieve sth; a person or thing that makes sth happen
 - ~ for sth/for doing sth The law is not the best instrument for dealing with family matters.
 - ~ of sth an instrument of change
- 5. ~ of sb/sth (formal) a person who is used and controlled by sb/sth that is more powerful
 - · an instrument of fate
- 6. (law) a formal legal document

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French, or from Latin instrumentum 'equipment, implement', from the verbinstruere 'construct, equip'.

Thesaurus:

instrument noun C

• This pen is a precision instrument for all your graphic needs.

tool · · gadget · · device · · aid · |formal implement · · utensil ·

- a measuring/navigation/navigational instrument/tool/device
- a drawing/writing instrument/tool/aid/implement
- a medical/surgical instrument/device/implement

Example Bank:

- All pupils should learn to use drawing instruments.
- All the instruments are made from glass capillary tubing.
- Criminal law is not the best instrument for dealing with family matters.
- Ensure the instrument is tuned to concert pitch.
- Even though it was a somewhat blunt instrument, our questionnaire provided us with some interesting ideas.
- Even though it was a somewhat blunt instrument= not very precise, our questionnaire provided us with some interesting ideas.
- Internet polls are considered to be better instruments than telephone polls.
- · More effective instruments of oversight are needed.
- She plays three musical instruments.
- She was accused of making a public service an instrument of private advantage
- Some cynics say that popular music is a mere instrument of capitalist domination.
- The autopsy revealed that the deceased had been hit with a blunt instrument.

- The despot claimed to be the chosen instrument of divine providence
- The instrument sounds like a cello.
- The piece can be played on a keyboard instrument.
- The pilot did his instrument checks and taxied towards the runway.
- The pilot did his instrument checks in preparation for take-off.
- The score was written to be played on a keyboard instrument.
- There was a warning light flashing on the instrument panel.
- They agreed that the UN was the best instrument for reaching agreement.
- They saw criminal law as an instrument for improving public morals.
- · Until 1990 all money market instruments when bought or sold were physically delivered to the buyer.
- a set of mathematical instruments
- an instrument made by a violin maker in Canada
- · an instrument that measures light intensity
- · baroque music played on period instruments
- credit instruments issued by banks
- medieval instruments of torture such as the rack and the wheel
- the use of language as an instrument of power and social control
- to read the instruments and make a note of the wind speed and direction
- Financial aid can become an instrument of control rather than a support.
- This pen is the ideal precision instrument for all your graphic needs.
- surgical instruments

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[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Latin; Origin: instrumentum, from instruere; ⇒ finstruct]



surgical instruments

- 1. TOOL a small tool used in work such as science or medicine:
 - surgical instruments
- 2. MUSIC an object used for producing music, such as a piano or ↑violin SYN musical instrument ⇒ instrumental, instrumentalist:

electronic instruments

brass/wind/percussion/stringed etc instrument

- 3. FOR MEASURING a piece of equipment for measuring and showing distance, speed, temperature etc:
 - a failure of the flight instruments
 - sensitive earthquake-detecting instruments
- 4. METHOD [usually singular] something or someone that is used to get a particular result

instrument of

Interest rates are an important instrument of economic policy.

instrument for (doing) something

Good management should be an instrument for innovation.

5. **FOR HURTING** something that is used to hit or hurt someone:

Death was due to a blow on the head with a blunt instrument.

instrument of torture (=an object used to make people suffer pain until they give information)

6. instrument of fate/God literary someone or something that is used by a power beyond our control

COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

verbs

- play an instrument Can you play a musical instrument?
- learn to play an instrument (also learn an instrument) All students at the school have the opportunity to learn an instrument.
- tune an instrument (=make it play at the right pitch) The musicians were tuning their instruments before the concert began.
- hire an instrument You could hire an instrument from a music shop.

■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + instrument

- a wind/woodwind instrument Violas blend very well with most of the wind instruments.
- **a brass instrument** The tuba is the deepest of the brass instruments.
- a string/stringed instrument He spent many hours playing string instruments of all kinds.
- **a keyboard instrument** Keyboard instruments are relatively easy to learn.
- a percussion instrument (=one that you hit) Children can learn to play percussion instruments through games and songs.

- an electronic instrument An electronic instrument requires no tuning and very little maintenance.
- a solo instrument (=one that can be played on its own) The organ has increasingly become recognized as a solo instrument in its own right.

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