

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2010 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Determining If Temperature Affects the Tune of the Guitar

Objectives/Goals

Abstract

My project was to determine whether or not temperature has an effect on the tune of the guitar. I believe that if the temperature is warm enough the tune of the guitar will drop and if the temperature is cool enough it will go higher in tune.

Methods/Materials

There was one Prime Classical Quart Bass Guitar. One room set to two different temperatures, one at 16 degrees celsius and 32 degrees celsius, at different times. I also used one battery operated tuner to locate how high or low the pitch changed.

Results

The guitar that was set in a room of a temperature at 32 degrees celsius ended up dropping lower in pitch. After, when the guitar was set in a room at a temperature of 16 degrees celsius it raised higher in pitch.

Conclusions/Discussion

My conclusion is that temperature does effect the tune of the guitar.

Summary Statement

My project is about trying to determine whether or not temperature has an effect on the tune of the guitar.

Help Received