Practice Time!

Every day after school and on Saturdays too Tanya is supposed to practice her piano lessons for an hour. Her piano teacher and her parents all tell her that she needs to practice in order to become good at playing the piano.

Tanya doesn’t much like playing scales over and over again. Her feet dangle from the high piano bench. Sometimes she spends time just kicking her feet back and forth instead of playing the piano. She daydreams about being at the playground with her friends or reading a good story.

A voice from far away calls out to remind her she’s supposed to practice until supper is ready.

One evening Grandma comes to eat supper with the family. Grandma asks Tanya how the piano lessons are coming.

Tanya replies, “I get tired of practicing.”

Grandma says, “Let’s go shopping on Saturday.”

On Saturday they go to the music store and look at all kinds of instruments. “What instrument do you like the best?” asks Grandma.
“I think the drums are neat! Drums are part of the marching band,” answers Tanya.

Now Tanya loves to practice the drums every day. Sometimes Mom calls out, “Tanya, you’ve practiced enough for today. You can play outside until supper.”
Name: ________________________________

Multiple Choice
Circle the correct answer.

1. How long was Tanya supposed to practice the piano?
   a. 1/2 hour
   b. 3/4 hour
   c. 1 hour

2. Instead of practicing sometimes Tanya
   a. Played with her friends
   b. Read a story
   c. Daydreamed

3. Who reminded Tanya she must practice until supper is ready?
   a. Mom
   b. Dad
   c. Grandma

4. Who took Tanya to the music store?
   a. Mom
   b. Dad
   c. Grandma

5. Why does Tanya like the drums?
   a. Drums are part of the marching band
   b. Drums are easier to play than the piano
   c. Drums are louder than the piano

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Write the name for each instrument.

Drums  Flute  Guitar  Harp
Piano  Triangle  Trumpet  Violin

Name: __________________________
Answer Key

Multiple Choice
1. c
2. c
3. a
4. c
5. a

Write the name for each instrument.
Violin      Piano
Guitar      Drums
Triangle    Flute
Harp        Trumpet