

BILLY AND THE CARNIVAL

 Discovering Music
and Instruments

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Once there was a boy named Billy.
One summer day, on the way to play in the
park, Billy saw a grownup all dressed up
in fancy clothes, and carrying
some kind of musical instrument.



“What’s that?” asked Billy, pointing to the instrument.

“Oh, this is my Trumpet,”

the musician answered,

“A Trumpet can play strong and exciting music, and it sounds like this!”



Billy saw another musician going to the park, with a different kind of instrument.

“What’s that?” he asked.

“This is my Violin,” answered the second musician.

“It can play sweetly and gracefully, like this!”

Soon Billy heard two Flutes playing together.

It reminded him of two birds
singing up in the trees.





When Billy got to the park, he ran around and around playing, and climbed up into his favorite tree, high up on a hill, where he could look down and see everybody.

He wondered, who were these musicians, and why were they coming to his park?

After he climbed back down, Billy stretched out under the tree and closed his eyes.

Just then, a Clarinet started playing;
It sounded just like a lullaby, and since Billy felt
a little bit tired, he fell asleep.

And then, a Cello
joined in the lullaby.

