

NEW JERSEY

Have you heard of Bruce Springsteen? How about Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons? The great state of New Jersey is the home of many wonderful musicians. The mice really like popular music, even the old stuff. Ask your grandparents about Frank Sinatra and the Isley Brothers. Ask your parents about Whitney Houston and Patti Smith. Ask your cousins about Jon Bon Jovi and Queen Latifah. These people are all so inspiring that the mice want to start their own rock band!

Challenge: Create your own rock and roll band that has a new hit single.

Time: Part One: You will have 6 minutes to choose a name for the band, compose a new song, build musical instruments and tailor outfits for the band members. You must integrate all these elements into a rock and roll performance.

Part Two: You will have 2 minutes to perform your solution for the appraisers. Rock on!

Materials: lots of newspapers
one roll of duct tape
scissors (may not be included in the solution)

Scoring: up to 10 points for the originality of the band name
up to 10 points for the creativity of the song
up to 10 points for the innovation of the instruments
up to 10 points for the flamboyance of the costumes
up to 40 points for the effectiveness of the performance
up to 20 points for positive team work

The mice are waving at Anthe A., working hard for DI in beautiful New Jersey!