

## Twitter Trascript for a Live Q & A with Daniel Levitin

<https://twitter.com/theendless/status/2319122653>

Q) @theendless I already have a question for you: what is the best way to combat a brainworm song that won't leave your head? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319163100>

A) @theendless 1) play another song that will push it out; 2) valium or 3) become a musician and play them out. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319173610>

9:01PM

Broadcast of #musicinstinct has started (EDT). Eating soy nuts, good brain-food.

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319223970>

9:05PM

Steven Mithen is talking - wrote the amazing book "The Singing Neanderthals." #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319252017>

9:07PM

00:07 A real "dream team" of researchers, these are among the leading music cognition ppl in the world, and good friends. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319262779>

9:08

7 mins in: Listening in the womb is like listening under water-the amniotic fluid filters the sound, you hear low frequencies #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319370062>

9:17

16 mins in: That's my undergrad Catherine Chapaos' honors thesis; she's now a PhD student. I'm so proud of her. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319412130>

00:20 It's courageous 4 an artist to be the subject of a scientific expt. How many scientists would do art for the camera? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/Anechoic/status/2319409115>

Q) @Anechoic were you involved in <http://www.musicianbrain.com>? I was a test subject back in 2004

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319434124>

A) @Anechoic no but Gottfried Schlaug is a colleague of mine #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/digitalcitizen/status/2319387176>

Q) @digitalcitizen @danlevitin if music can be used to synchronize body rhythms could it help agreement the way walking together does (ref social intelligence)

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319513086>

A) @digitalcitizen Yes! I take this up in Ch 2 in THE WORLD IN SIX SONGS. Making Music together --> bonding. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319604617>

RT @heidikoelz NY Times article today about stone-age flute just mentioned on #musicinstinct: <http://bit.ly/16mG2V>

<https://twitter.com/jordanjames21/status/2319583904>

Q) @jordanjames21 what type of music has the most widespread emotional impact on people? why? i am more moved by classical than anything else

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319606690>

A) @jordanjames21 It's truly a matter of individual taste - there is no "ideal" type of music for everyone. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/gcn1/status/2319556861>

Q) @gcn1 Of course...thanks for putting together a great program. I'm amazed at watching how my 1 yr old son responds to & loves music.

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319617425>

A) @gcn1 Yes - infants go thru a period of automatic music babbling just like linguistic babbling - music is hard-wired in us #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/kimmiechem2/status/2319593015>

Q) @kimmiechem2 what about the affects of brain injury on interpretation of music? do these "neural networks" then undergo rearrangements? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319644696>

A) @kimmiechem2 sometimes-this is called "neuroplasticity" & it's easier when you're young, but sometimes possible later in life #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/jas9000/status/2319627543>

Q) @jas9000 any particular songs that were particularly effective in the research/experiment process? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319654235>

A) It's very subjective - each individual has their own favorites, often for personal or idiosyncratic reasons. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/beanzkornbread/status/2319640838>

Q) @beanzkornbread Lol! Beethoven wouldn't have found a maj7 chord harmonious...we've come a long way.

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319671917>

A) @beanzkornbread Exactly, when Bill Evans does it we love it! Music continually evolves, often toward increasing dissonance. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/jordanjames21/status/2319657056>

Q) @jordanjames21 expanding on that, could a certain, stressful situation, alter the way somebody perceives, and even enjoys a certain genre?

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319681848>

A) @jordanjames21 Yes-the same piece of music can effect us very differently depending on mood and neurochemistry #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319691871>

42 mins in: Newborn infants noticing changes in consonance and dissonance by my colleague Sandra Trehub. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/iainplaysdrums/status/2319739011>

Q) @iainplaysdrums So, Babies really do hear music on the womb. I sense the Mozart baby CD sales booming again! #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319762478>

A) @iainplaysdrums Yes but "Mozart makes you smarter" is overstated. Playing music 4 infant is good, but may not raise IQ. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319790839>

00:51 This works bec. composers often exploit metaphors from nature to convey emotion, & these metaphors are universal. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/kimmiechem2/status/2319755375>

Q) kimmiechem2 thanks for the reply!

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319800456>

A) @kimmiechem2 my pleasure. Thanks for participating in the #musicinstinct Q&A

<https://twitter.com/storiesmatter/status/2319804545>

Q) @storiesmatter Question for Sandra Trehub @DanLevitin #musicinstinct would you speak to x-cultural similarities in the nature of singing 2 infants

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319836673>

A) @storiesmatter I discuss this in THE WORLD IN SIX SONGS. All child-oriented singing tends to have similarities x cultures #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/amandafgordon/status/2319854046>

Q) @Amandafgordon do different parts of the brain have more/less activity based on a culture's music? (ex: frontal lobes in western music) #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319869479>

A) @amandafgordon Yes - more rhythmic music tends to excite the cerebellum, more personal the pre-frontal cortex. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/heidikoelz/status/2319853533>

Q) @heidikoelz Is window limited for Westerners to recognize non-Western musical intervals, or possible w/ training at any age? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319894750>

A) @heidikoelz Window is probably limited for most of us, because of neural pruning; with great effort you might be able to. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/austinkleon/status/2319866485>

Q) @austinkleon So what happens when we add words to music? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319911607>

A) @austinkleon It sometimes disambiguates, sometimes increases the ambiguity of the message; words invoke specific semantics #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/gcn1/status/2319865458>

Q) @gcn1 Do you think exposure to music before birth impacts musical aptitude for learning how to play an instrument?

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319946980>

A) @gcn1 Definitely - I take this up in The World in Six Songs. [www.sixsongs.net](http://www.sixsongs.net) #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/iainplaysdrums/status/2319824524>

Q) @iainplaysdrums I was being sarcastic ;)

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319960470>

A) @iainplaysdrums gotcha. one of the limits to twitter.  
<https://twitter.com/TimbrePitch/status/2319867301>

Q) @TimbrePitch it's always interested me HOW genres came around, and how they were named. Through musical evolution I guess? - @iainplaysdrums

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319961697>

A) @TimbrePitch @ianplaysdrums Often named by music critics; often evolved unconsciously (or intuitively) by musicians. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/austinkleon/status/2319931449>

Q) @austinkleon how does the brain deal w/ songs w/ lyrics? Does processing lyrics impair processing the music, and vice versa? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2319988983>

A) @austinkleon The lyrics invoke specific meaning, & the prefrontal cortex; they often greatly enrich the experience. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/TimbrePitch/status/2319952767>

Q) @TimbrePitch For: @danlevitin We HEAR sound, and LISTEN to music. We HEAR with our EARS, and LISTEN with are MIND. I would like to get your thoughts?

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320007888>

A) @TimbrePitch Agreed, but depends on what your definitions of "hear" and "listen" are. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/austinkleon/status/2319931449>

Q) @Austinkleon how does the brain deal w/ songs w/ lyrics? Does processing lyrics impair processing the music, and vice versa? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320015502>

A) @austinkleon There can be interference (attention is a limited capacity resource) or enhancement, depends on the situation. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/beanznkornbread/status/2319930966>

Q) @beanznkornbread In reference to the street interviews, do you think the technique of perfect pitch can be taught/learned? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320027595>

A) @beanznkornbread There is no documented case of an adult learning absolute pitch; it seems you have to learn it as a kid #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/iainplaysdrums/status/2320011516>

Q) @iainplaysdrums I mean, who chose Rock? Such an odd name if you think about it. Oh and btw it's Iain ;) #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320035793>

A) @iainplaysdrums It came from an old R&B lyric about "rocking" and dancing. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/iainplaysdrums/status/2320048174>

Q) @iainplaysdrums Finally! Oliver Sacks. Legendary man. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320077017>

A) @iainplaysdrums When I went to write my own books, I read a lot of Sacks for inspiration. I was knocked out when he liked them #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/AlexDoman/status/2320036739>

Q) @AlexDoman Evelyn Glennie experiences sound through bone conduction, she is deaf, so she feels the sound. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320085336>

A) @AlexDoman She probably is not 100% deaf; something may be getting through. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/TimbrePitch/status/2320078567>

Q) @TimbrePitch @danlevitin I view hearing as a physical process (sound waves, ear drum, etc.), while listening is mental and emotional. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320097208>

A) @TimbrePitch Fair enough #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/beanzkornbread/status/2320118450>

Q) @beanzkornbread I have absolute pitch; I was able to hear different pitches of car keys as a kid; didn't apply it until adulthood #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320136332>

A) @beanzkornbread Yes, this is what all absolute pitch possessors report - they remember having it as a kid. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/heidikoelz/status/2320085010>

Q) @heidikoelz Great to hear Tony Cicoria (musical after lightning strike) play piano after having read about him in Musicophilia #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320143319>

A) @heidikoelz And he's just like that in real-life: charming and unassuming. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/AlexDoman/status/2320141721>

Q) @AlexDoman discussing fight-flight response to certain music #musicinstinct  
Corresponds to research by Stephen Porges, PhD.

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320160119>

A) @AlexDoman Yes, and work by Zatorre, Sloboda and Juslin. I take this up in The World in Six Songs. www.sixsongs.net #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/AlexDoman/status/2320164418>

Q) @AlexDoman There isn't a cognitive function that doesn't relate to music. #musicinstinct  
Powerful statement...

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320178984>

A) @AlexDoman Word. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320303397>

1hr30mins: That's Ani Patel, one of the brightest yng scientists in the field, wrote excellent "Music, Language & Brain" book #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/iainplaysdrums/status/2320340548>

Q) @iainplaysdrums Interested in the cultural and environmental influence that affects peoples tastes and perception of music. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320370874>

A) @iainplaysdrums Music appreciation is very much based on what we've heard before; context and experience are everything #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/daveed70/status/2320378687>

Q) @daveed70 #musicinstinct or #ciaconfidential? Decisions, decisions! Usu crap on when I get home. When it rains it pours... <http://myloc.me/5w0n>

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320433780>

A) @daveed70 does #ciaconfidential have live tweets? Decision: #musicinstinct by a mile.

<https://twitter.com/lofefrequency/status/2320414734>

Q) @lofefrequency Read your book, big fan. I am very curious about what the brain does during musical worship and/or prayer in different religions

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320444876>

A) @lofefrequency Great question! This is a whole chapter in The World in Six Songs [www.sixsongs.net](http://www.sixsongs.net) #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320447441>

01:41 I'm skeptical that Snoball can really keep a beat; Ani Patel is doing more work on this. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/AlexDoman/status/2320449034>

Q) @AlexDoman what are your thoughts on the music of Ostad Elahi? #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320472454>

A) @AlexDoman Big fan. Appeared in a forthcoming documentary about him produced by John Schaefer #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320517184>

1hr46: David Rothenberg, clarinetist, excellent writer of Why Birds Sing and Thousand Mile Song #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/AlexDoman/status/2320509461>

Q) @AlexDoman I am also in that documentary with John Schaefer, I co-produced Music for the Mind with Elahi's music. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320526211>

A) @AlexDoman Now I'm a fan of YOURS!

<https://twitter.com/joshey/status/2320463718>

Q) @joshey OK, so do you have to train the Cockatoo to dance, or is that instinctual when it hears the music? And does it do it in nature?

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320536928>

A) @joshey I'm not convinced he can dance to more than one tempo; but yes, I think it is instinctual. #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/lovefrequency/status/2320589614>

Q) @lovefrequency Heard about string theory in college... What type of music was made at the creation of the universe?! WOW! #musicinstinct

<https://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320611681>

A) @lovefrequency Physicists estimate that the big bang was in Bb - but, like, 60 octaves below middle C. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/gcn1/status/2320636869>

Q) @gcn1 The Music Instinct documentary ends off with this powerful statement: "Song lies at the core of life". Very true! #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320684748>

A) @gcn1 thank you. Twitter Q&A will continue for viewers in different time-zones #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/drffountain/status/2320726783>

Q) @drffountain The Music Instinct on PBS - fascinating! Still, trying to answer "Whence music?" in a naturalist fashion leads to stupendous hilarity.

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320844110>

A) @drffountain And sometimes hilarious stupendousness :) #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/onesuperagent/status/2320751037>

Q) @onesuperagent great show. thinking about a career change. neuroscientist sounds way too technical. music therapy has peaked my interest.

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320869131>

A) @onesuperagent Cool! Check out the American Music Therapy Association [www.musictherapy.org/](http://www.musictherapy.org/) #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/dreamriderheat/status/2320700491>

Q) @dreamriderheat What do you think are the possibilities for positive social change, given this knowledge? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320883228>

A) @dreamriderheat Music can effect social change-Think Pete Seeger. I take this up in The World in Six Songs [www.sixsongs.net](http://www.sixsongs.net). #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/lovefrequency/status/2320706970>

Q) @lovefrequency Wow! Like each atom's frequency takes a "snapshot" of sound? Theoretically every word spoken in history could be reconstructed?

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2320893375>

A)@lovefrequency Yes, if only the atomic signature could be resurrected. Talk about trying to play an old tape! #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/shepherdfx/status/2320924029>

Q) @shepherdfx What does the latest research reveal about the growth and health of plants influenced by sound waves? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321084937>

A) @shepherdfx The work on music and plants has largely been debunked (plants don't have anything like ears to detect vibration) #musicinstinct  
<http://twitter.com/CreativeSage/status/2321023198>

Q) @creativesage I was fortunate to meet Bobby McFerrin right at the beginning of his fame as a vocalist. Met Taylor as a baby! Wonderful family.

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321113002>

A)@CreativeSage Bobby's the most generous person I've ever played with; I can easily imagine he brings that to his family too #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/PeterRoche/status/2321033470>

Q) @PeterRoche I have used music in orgs working w people generating ideas they seem to be more creative. Any research? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321123418>

A) @PeterRoche I'll try to find out and @ you later #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/HeatherWelliver/status/2321056365>

Q) @HeatherWelliver how cool! Was the black hole being a b flat pertaining to a specific one or as a whole?

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321134306>

A) @HeatherWelliver Not a black hole, the big bang! #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/SashaK/status/2321059602>

Q) @SashaK Missed first half of show, so apologize if covered, but any research being done on music as treatment for mood disorders?

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321142797>

A) @SashaK That's not in the show, but covered in The World in Six Songs, [www.sixsongs.net](http://www.sixsongs.net) #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/WillValenti/status/2321084309>

Q) @WillValenti Why all the debate about evolutionary purposes? Couldn't the strength of music in the human identity be sexual selection et al?

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321159745>

A) @WillValenti We pick that up in the 2nd hour of the show, with a cameo by Stephen Pinker, Mr. (er, Dr.) "Auditory Cheesecake" #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/bleuguy/status/2321134166>

Q) @bleuguy RT @silkroadproject: RT @AlexDoman: Yo Yo Ma "There are many different truths even in a very simple piece of music" #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321166618>

A) @bleuguy Yo Yo is the best - so soulful, so spiritual. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/WillValenti/status/2321147105>

Q) @WillValenti I've been making efforts for years to use skills I learned musically in non-musical aspects of my life. Want to study my brain?

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321183509>

A) @WillValenti Sure, if you think you won't be needing it for awhile! #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/WillValenti/status/2321181823>

Q) @WillValenti But it seems like everyone wants to put it in a box. Many reasons led to it being important in many ways, imo. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321190409>

A) @WillValenti Right - there are multiple boxes. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/CreativeSage/status/2321178010>

Q) CreativeSage Yes, absolutely true. Maybe we can share stories sometime. I'm fascinated by music & the brain, #creativity & #musicinstinct.

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321205769>

A) @CreativeSage absolutely. I'm on Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/daniel.levitin](http://www.facebook.com/daniel.levitin)

<http://twitter.com/AlexDoman/status/2321364663>

Q) @AlexDoman Excellent documentary. Thank you for deepening our understanding of music and the brain. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321395144>

A) @AlexDoman thank you. My pleasure. Glad you enjoyed it. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/pmryan/status/2321431836>

Q) @pmryan Watching "The Music Instinct" on OPB (PBS)

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321449752>

A) @pmryan I went to University of Oregon, used to watch OPB religiously (or should I say Darwinly?).

<http://twitter.com/lmg2112/status/2321683273>

Q) @lmg2112 whoohoo Jarvis Cocker is on the music instinct Science and Song-wicked!!

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321697851>

A) @lmg2112 Love Jarvis Cocker!. It was really courageous of him to let himself play the guinea pig. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/ErinMatlock/status/2321735942>

Q) @ErinMatlock Bobby McFerrin's voice always makes me smile. Never really thought about the science behind it. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321758681>

A) @ErinMatlock Bobby's the most generous person I've ever played with. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2321941038>

Thanks to everyone who watched #musicinstinct tonight. If you tweet me questions using #musicinstinct I will reply tomorrow. Must sleep.

Questions submitted after the premiere

<http://twitter.com/jgree1984/status/2325378460>

Q) @jgree1984 Truly enjoyed the program last night. My mom has Parkinson's Disease. Why is it that she can "dance" in place, but not "walk"? Thank you.  
Jamie

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326615438>

A) @jgree1984 Parkinsons related 2 entrainment, b ganglia & cerebellum. She might be able 2 walk if you put on the right music. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/malber71/status/2324836925>

Q) @malber71 what does it mean for our culture that music has become less participatory over the course of the 20th century? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326625538>

A) @malber71 I think it's overall a negative; I take this up at some length in The World in Six Songs [www.sixsongs.net](http://www.sixsongs.net) #musicinstinct

[http://twitter.com/Eva\\_Abreu/status/2322497366](http://twitter.com/Eva_Abreu/status/2322497366)

Q) @Eva\_Abreu @7thscreen #musicinstinct p.243 "great music connects us to something larger than our own existence, to other people, or to God"

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326650060>

A) @Eva\_Abreu Thanks for tweeting; this is from The World in Six Songs [www.sixsongs.net](http://www.sixsongs.net) #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/KimberlySMoore/status/2321759302>

Q) @KimberlySMoore Have recorded your show to watch l8r. Am MT-BC. Do u have thoughts abt music's adaptive/evolutionary purpose? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326660578>

A) @KimberlySMoore I discuss sexual selection in the last chapter of TIYBOM, and really, the whole of SIX SONGS is about music and evolution

<http://twitter.com/WillValenti/status/2325543528>

Q) @WillValenti How has the ipodification of America impacted our perception of the importance of music? Studies started this decade? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326687374>

A) @WillValenti iPods have isolated listeners, but on the other hand, have brought unprecedented amts of music to people #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/36laps/status/2322814982>

Q) @36laps Is it impossible for your brain to master a new instrument in your 30's? Or is that just kid stuff? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326693959>

A) @36laps Absolutely! It's never too late to learn to play an instrument. #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/36laps/status/2322839122>

Q) @36laps I can play a tune by ear on the piano. My father who is trained in piano cannot. What's that all about? #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326713033>

A) @36laps Different ways of learning. By analogy, some people can tell stories from memory others have to read them. . . #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/JayNietling/status/2322750410>

Q) @JayNietling prof, was a decent sax player as teen. now 40s trying to learn guitar. i can \*feel\* it being more difficult to learn music now.

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326723825>

A) @JayNietling It IS more difficult to learn when you're older but not impossible! The key is steady, regular practice each day #musicinstinct

<http://twitter.com/HeatherWelliver/status/2321806915>

Q) @heatherwelliver is there an age that's optimal to begin training children in a musical instrument? (I have a 2 and a half month old baby boy)

<http://twitter.com/danlevitin/status/2326734657>

A) @heatherwelliver You can start playing music to infants, teaching instruments around 2-1/2 or 3 yrs.