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### Instrument of the Month

By: Megan Larson
The cello is the second
largest bowed and stringed
instrument, next to the double
bass. It is part of a family of
musical string instruments, which
includes the violin. The cello was
invented in about 1600, but

Italian cello players made the cello popular in parts

Usually, cello music is written in the base clef, (Answer to Logic Matrix: 16 chickens and 7 pigs.) but it may be written in other clefs.

A person who plays the cello is called a cellist, but because of the earlier cello name violoncello, they can also be called a violoncellist.

Cellos are made of many types of wood, and are sometimes made of carbon fiber. Some people say that the cello sounds the most like a human voice of any instrument. The cello is used in many different styles of music, but is mainly used in European classical music.

## Birthstone of the Month

By: Landon LaCross
ecember has claim to three
incredible gemstones Zircon
anzanite and urquoise
ach of these
gemstones carries a
unique blue tone
making it a perfect

birthstone for frigid ecember winters

Zircon can be found in a variety of colors but

blue is the overwhelming favorite hese birthstones are amazing to have for the month of ecember

### 12 FACTS ABOUT DECEMBER

By: Alexis Marsillio

- 1. All the gifts in the song would total 364 gifts.
- 2. Christmas trees grow for about 15 years before they're cut for sale.
- 3. There are 4 holidays in December

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- 4. The celebration of includes a , or African feast, held on the last day of , Dec 31st.
- 5. candles are placed from right to left, but are lit from left to right.
- 6. Lighting the is the main tradition.7. December 10 is Human Rights
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- 8. December in Spanish is
- 9. December is National Egg-Nog Month
- 10. December was originally the 10th month in the calendar.
- 11. The Germans made the first artificial Christmas trees out of dyed goose feathers.
- 12. Many celebrate Christmas according to the old calendar, on January 7<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Holidays to All

## BY THE STUDENTS

By: Ben Elliot W, A, S, D W, A, S, D Better than the arrow keys Better than the arrow keys W, A, S, D W, A, S, D