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Online Version

MusTech.net (<http://mustech.net>)

## **Teaching Technology:**

- An excellent teacher is a person that can take something really complex and make it dead simple and learnable!
- Excellent technology, at least educational, technology should:
  - Allow you to be a better teacher
  - Make your students better learners
  - Enable you to be more efficient
  - Allow you to do things you've never dreamed possible in the classroom...and, SPARK your creative process!
  - If it does not do any of these things, DO Not Use it

## **Google Tips, because you really do need to master it and save time (90 percent of all searches):**

1. Use the Tools!
2. Use quotes: “music technology”
  - a. Nest quotes: “music technology” “Joe Pisano”
3. Use the minus sign: “music technology -notation”
4. Use the site command: “music technology site:mustech.net”
5. Use Google Scholar for any search academic in nature: scholar.google.com
6. Use Google books to find amazing books (many for free): books.google.com
7. Use the integrated search bar functions: timer, metronome, calculator, and conversions

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## **Amazing, Beautiful, FREE-FREE, Images:**

- Unsplash - <http://unsplash.com>
- Pixabay - <http://pixabay.com>

Use these photos for ANYTHING without fear of copyright issues.

## **Free Sound Clips:**

<https://freesound.org>

<https://soundbible.com>

## **Free Audio Loops:**

Look, but be aware – most sites offer free samples, and then sign up...

Royalty free is not FREE-FREE.

Example: <https://bigfishaudio.com>

Example: <https://looperman.com>

## **Music First Software:**

1. IMHO a no-brainer for your school
2. <http://musicfirst.com>
3. Many useful titles, and built-in assessments  
a <https://www.musicfirst.com/software/>
4. Very Low Cost

## **LAST PASS:**

1. My NEW go to for password management
2. <http://lastpass.com>
3. FREE for individual, low cost for family management

## **Chrome/Firefox Extensions that are worth it:**

- Get them here:  
<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/category/extensions> (or Google Chrome Extensions) ●

In the store “search” for these:

- GHOSTERY -stop many of the annoying ads and find out just how much you are tracked -NEW for me this year
- DF Youtube (Distraction Free Youtube) - My new favorite for YouTube -especially useful in the classroom
  - Related: Viewpure – <https://viewpure.com>
- Just Read -a godsend to clear up the clutter on pages (especially Facebook links)

## **Recruiting Made Easy (Well, easier...) -Be Part of the Band**

1. <https://www.bepartofthemusic.org/>
2. <https://www.bepartofthemusic.org/bpotm/index.html>
3. Includes Orchestra and Chorus
4. Be sure, to click the “Music Educators” site from the drop-down menu”

## **Google Docs -amazing notation integration:**

- **Flat.io** - insert music snippets! A Google-addon - search for it in Google

## **Google Docs -amazing audio annotation:**

- Kaizena - insert voice annotations to your students work! <https://www.kaizena.com/>

### END PART 1

