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Let's Listen – Ukulele!

The ukulele is one of the most recognizable instruments in the world! A member of the **lute family of instruments**, it is the guitar's smaller cousin. It was created in Hawaii and is a staple in native Hawaiian music.

Israel Kamakawiwo'ole was one of the most famous ukulele players whose music brought ukulele music into the mainstream in the 1990's. Listen to his version of "Somewhere over the Rainbow/What a Wonderful World" and answer the questions.

Answer each question completely and thoughtfully!

1. How would you describe the sound of the ukulele?

2. Describe the song using 3 adjectives:

3. How would you compare the sound of the ukulele to the sound of a guitar?

4. What is one question you have about the ukulele?

