This policy describes the cookies that are used on our websites (including abrsm.org and journeysguitar.com).

What is a cookie?

A cookie is a small file that is stored on your computer’s hard drive. The file assists with web traffic analysis, improve the users’ browsing experience and identifying users in response to their requested web-pages as they navigate across the website. The website can tailor its information to your needs by gathering and remembering your preferences and storing that data within a cookie.

The data stored in a cookie is usually an identifier, being a combination of letters and numbers.

Cookies may either be ‘persistent’ or ‘session’ based. A persistent cookie will be used throughout your browsing experience, stored by the browser and will remain valid until its expiry date or deleted by the user. A session cookie is only valid for the duration of the session and will expire once the web-browser is closed.

For further information about cookies and details how to remove or disable cookies, visit www.aboutcookies.org.

How do we use cookies?

On our website, we use cookies to distinguish our users from each other to provide increased functionality throughout our website.

Our cookies also collect anonymous information regarding our users and the pages that are being viewed for analytic purposes.

Dependent upon your web-browser settings, our website shall issue cookies as soon as you visit our website. Most web-browsers automatically accept cookies; however this can be changed within your browser settings. If cookies have been disabled and are refused, some functionality of our website may not function as expected.

All cookies that are used on our website only collect anonymous information and do not collect any personal information.

They do not give us access to your computer.

Cookies on this website

Session cookie set by ABRSM:

- session_id
  Usage: Forum
  from www.abrsm.org/forum

Persistent cookies set by third parties:

- Fontdeck.com:
  Usage: Font Display
- Google:
  Usage Data
Our websites use Google Analytics, a web analysis service provided by Google. Google utilizes the data collected to track and examine the use of www.abrsm.org to prepare reports on its activities and share them with other Google services.

Google may use the data collected to contextualize and personalise the ads of its own advertising network.

- View Google's privacy policy

ABRSM music shop

The ABRSM music shop is run by Boosey & Hawkes Music Publishers Ltd and has a separate privacy and cookie policy.

- Read the shop privacy and cookie policy

Purpose of cookies

Our cookies (except those within the online exam entry system) do not contain any information that can be used to personally identify you. The information we obtain from your set of our cookies may be used for the following purposes:

1. To recognise your computer when you visit our websites
2. To track your navigation throughout our websites
3. To improve the website's usability and functionality
4. To analyse the use of our websites
5. To personalise your visit and user experience with our websites
6. In the administration of our websites

Cookie expiration

The cookies used on our websites either have an expiry date set or expire at the end of your current session on our website. Our cookies will usually expire within 1 year after your visit.

Additional information

For further information regarding cookies, as well as how to enable/disable and delete them, instructions are featured at www.aboutcookies.org.

Cookies can be blocked through your settings in your Web browser. However, blocking cookies may reduce functionality when accessing certain features.

This cookie policy was last updated on 22 October 2019