

HOW TO SURVIVE IF THE BAND DOESN'T SHOW UP



Round up street musicians.

If the reception is taking place in a city, you can also send a member of the wedding party into the subway to find musicians.



Call a local music school.

Send a member of the wedding party to ask for musicians who can arrive quickly. Tip them generously.



Play the radio.

Position a member of the wedding party at the controls of a boom box. Instruct your guests to use their mobile phones to call the radio station to make requests and dedications to the happy couple. Be prepared to change stations when necessary to avoid commercials and sad ballads.



Buy a CD player.

Send a member of the wedding party to purchase a CD player from a nearby electronics store. Ask guests to bring CDs from their cars.



Solicit musical volunteers from the crowd.

Hold a talent show, with the wedding party acting as judges.

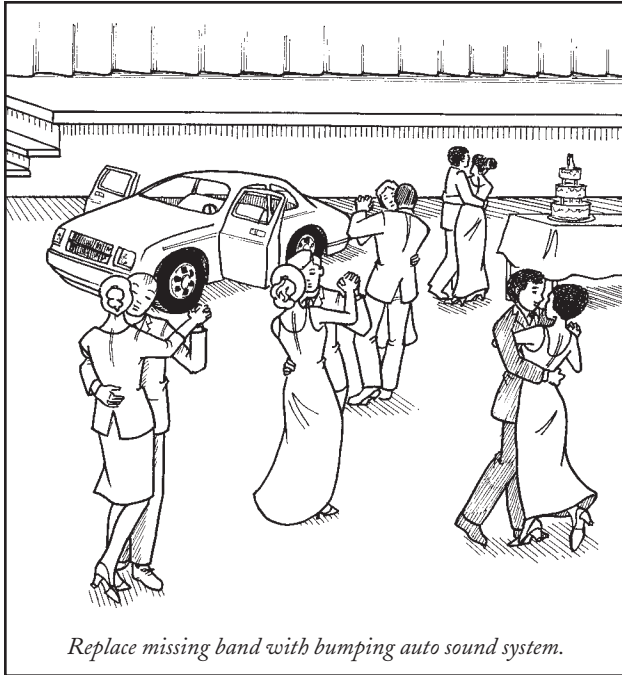


Form a jug band.

Ask guests to blow across the tops of jugs of wine or whiskey. Others can bounce sets of spoons on their leg or torso. Pots and pans from the kitchen can be beaten with spoons or other cutlery. Others can play hambone, slapping thighs, chest, and face as a rhythmic accompaniment.



Ask guests to form a jug band using available objects.



WORST-CASE SCENARIO.



Drive a small car into the reception room.

Select a car with a premier sound system, open the car doors, and blast CDs.



Borrow band members from other wedding receptions and events.

Search the facility for band members on break or who have finished performing and put together a new band for your wedding.