
Subject: pawn shop electronic

Posted by [jimmys devoted](#) on Sun, 05 Nov 2006 19:54:30 GMT

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I am curious.. are the items at pawnshops, like electronic gear, musical instruments worth the discounted price just to get a feel for playing with it? or should i see about going to a place that sells new electronic musical instruments?

Subject: Re: pawn shop electronic

Posted by [Shane](#) on Mon, 06 Nov 2006 00:45:02 GMT

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As far as instruments are concerned, I've never "found" a "good deal" at a pawnshop. Most pawnshop owners have no clue about what an instrument, guitars anyway, should play like. Most of the ones I've seen have been abused severely....eg. dented frets, neck cracks, twisted necks, etc....They just go off of what the relative Ebay price is. Amps can be hit or miss. FWIW, most local dealers will match any catalog price such as from Musicians Friend or AMS. And you get the service that comes with buying new equipment from a local dealer if you have any problems. There are lots of inexpensive starter instruments out there.

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Posted by [hurdy_gurdyman](#) on Mon, 06 Nov 2006 13:40:32 GMT

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In addition to all that Shane said, it's been my experience that you can usually find used instruments in a music store that are both in better condition and less expensive than what you'll find in a typical pawn shop. Most music stores have someone working there who can spiff-up an instrument to make it playable and reliable.Dave

Subject: Re: pawn shop electronic

Posted by [jimmys devoted](#) on Tue, 14 Nov 2006 21:35:35 GMT

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The reason I asked is my daughter wants to learn to play guitar and I used to play piano and guitar, ukelele.. don't laugh. And my parents bought used for us.. but they never said where they got it. So we were at the pawn shop we do regular business with and there were loads that both my daughter and I liked. A keyboard and a guitar.....so if they aren't worth the spit for a sticker,, should

we chance a walmart cheapo?julie
