

KEY Listening Composing Performing Charter opportunities

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Y7 UNIT 1

How can I explore music through the musical elements?

How do I describe what I'm hearing using the musical elements?
How is music notated and what is it telling me?



Y7 UNIT 2

How do I develop my keyboard skills?

How do I correctly play a triad on the keyboard?
What does the bass clef and treble clef tell me?



Y7 UNIT 3

What gives folk music its distinctive style?

What is the instrumentation of Folk Music?
What is an Ostinato?

Y7 UNIT 4

How are hooks and riffs used in popular music?

What is a hook and why are they important in popular music?
What is meant by the '4 chords' in popular music?



Y7 UNIT 5

Why is form and structure important in music?

What are the different sections of a typical pop song?
What is call and response in music?

Y7 UNIT 6

How has the classical orchestra influenced musical development?

How can music create a mood?
How many families are in the orchestra and what are they?



YR8

Y8 UNIT 1

A musical Journey: How is music different across the world?

What is a polyrhythm?
Where did the origins of Rhythm begin?

Y8 UNIT 2

How can I develop my ensemble playing?

How can I keep in time with others?
What does a chord box tell me?



Y8 UNIT 5

Why is variation important in music?

How can I create a variation from a theme?
How can I describe how the music has altered from the original theme using correct music vocabulary?



Y8 UNIT 4

How has Jazz and Blues influenced musical development?

How is the walking bass used in Jazz?
What instruments belong in the rhythm and horn section of a Jazz ensemble?

Y8 UNIT 3

What gives music from the Caribbean its distinctive style?

How can I recognise a piece of music from the Caribbean?
What is improvisation in music?

Y8 UNIT 6

How does a bass line contribute to the texture of music?

What is meant by 'playing by ear'?
Where does the bass line sit in terms of texture?



YR9

Y9 UNIT 1

What are the key features of Musical Theatre?

What career opportunities are linked to musical theatre?
How can you describe the structure of a musical?



Y9 UNIT 2

How does music influence film?

How does music contribute to the film experience?
What is a leitmotif?



Y9 UNIT 3

How has Minimalism influenced the development of music?

How can I develop a melody?
How was music technology developed during this genre of music?

Y9 UNIT 5

How has Rock n Roll influenced the development of popular music?

What affect did Rock n Roll have on teenagers of this era?
What other styles of music were influenced by Rock and Roll?

Y9 UNIT 4

What are the features of music for gaming?

How can I show intensity in my music?
What is chromaticism



Y9 UNIT 6

What are the main characteristics of the Brit Pop era?

How can I write lyrics to reflect the style of Brit Pop?
What was the influence of Grunge on Brit Pop?

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