Music

Vocabulary progression

Standard

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Overview - Vocabulary progression

Listening and evaluating			
	Year 1/2	**Year 3/4**	**Year 5/6**
Musical styles	–	baroque blues Chinese Indian reggae	bhangra musical theatre pop samba traditional West African
	feeling In Key Stage 1, encourage pupils to use their existing vocabulary to describe the music they hear.	emotion harmony introduction mood purpose style	build-up contrast effect suspense tension theme unison

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Improvising and composing

Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
choose	composition	contrast
idea	improvise	create
	improvisation	creative
	melodic loop	develop
	musical contrast	experiment
	purpose	inspiration
	repeat	
	rhythmic loop	

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Notation

Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
note	length	bar
	notate	bar line
	pitch notation	score
	rhythmic notation	time signature
	stave	tracks

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Creating sound

Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
beater	control	breath control
grip	harmony	expression
voice	technique	layering
		lyrics
		projection
		unison

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Performing

Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
audience	confidence	conductor
play	focus	ensemble
stage	in-time	expression
	leader	mistakes
	posture	non-verbal cue
	practice	recover
	signals	rehearse
		stage awareness

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Inter-related dimensions of music						
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Dynamics	loud quiet	louder quieter	dynamics getting louder getting quieter	forte piano	crescendo diminuendo	fortissimo pianissimo
Rhythm	N/A	N/A	crotchet minim (paired) quavers rest	swung rhythm rhythmic pattern	3/4 time 4/4 time	accented beat ostinato phrasing
Structure	N/A	N/A	structure	12-bar blues round	chorus verse	ternary
Melody (inc pitch)	sound	higher lower note	melody step leap	motif pentatonic scale	N/A	melodic development
Instrumentation	voice	percussion	orchestra	layers solo	band unison	electronic ensemble traditional
Tempo	N/A	faster slower	steady	tempo	upbeat	N/A

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	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Harmony	N/A	N/A	chords bass line	drone harmony	chord sequence major minor	accompaniment
Music technology	N/A	–	–	–	–	–
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