

Year 3	Listening	Understanding Rhythm	Improvising and Composing	Singing and Performing	Understanding musical notation	Understanding the history and context of music including the Great Composers
	Listen with direction to a range of high-quality music and recognise a range of instruments Comment on likes and dislikes. Notice and explore the way sounds can be combined and used expressively.	Find the pulse within the context of different songs/music with ease.	Improvise, inventing short, on the spot, responses using a limited note range. Structure musical ideas to create music that has a beginning, middle and end. Combine known rhythmic notation with letter names, using three notes, C, D, E. Compose song accompaniments on untuned percussion using known rhythm and note	Sing a range of unison songs Perform forte and piano. Perform actions confidently and in time in to a range of action songs. Perform with confidence.	Develop an understanding of formal written notation which includes crotchets, paired quavers and minims. Use notes C, D and E.	Understand that composition is when a composer writes down and records a musical idea.
			values.			

Year 3	Beat & Pulse	Unison songs – Christmas Play	Do, re mi – 3 note melodies
Brain	BB1: 'Pulse' is like the heartbeat of the music.	BB1: A drone is a note held for a long time.	BB1: Pitch refers to how high or low a sound is.
Busters	BB2: A 'beat' is a basic unit of time.	BB2: Unison means everyone does the same thing	BB2: Notation is one way of writing down music.
		at the same time.	
	BB3: A crotchet is 1 beat.	BB3: Solo means one person performing.	BB3: A note describes a certain pitch. E.g. C
	BB4: A quaver is a ½ beat.	BB4: Forte means loud.	BB4: A phrase is a musical section.
	BB5: A minim is 2 beats.	BB5: Piano means quiet.	BB5: C, D and E are three note names.





Year 3	Beat & Pulse	Unison songs – Christmas Play	Do, re mi – 3 note melodies
Vocabulary	Pulse	Drone	Pitch
	Beat	Unison	Note
	Crotchet	Layered	Notation
	Quaver	Solo	Phrase
	Minim	Forte	
	Improvise	Piano	
	Compose	Allegro	
		Adagio	
		Ostinato	



Year 4	Listening	Understanding Rhythm	Improvising and Composing	Singing and Performing	Understanding musical notation	Understanding the history and context of music including the Great Composers
	Confidently recognise	Copy increasingly	Improvise with a limited	Continue to sing a range	Develop an	Confidently recognise
	a range of musical	challenging rhythms	range of pitches, making	of unison songs,	understanding of formal	and explore a range of
	instruments and the	using body percussion	use of musical features,	pitching the voice	written notation which	musical styles and
	different sounds they	and untuned	including smooth (legato)	accurately and following	includes crotchets,	traditions and know
	make.	instruments where	and detached (staccato).	directions for getting	paired quavers, minims	their basic style
		appropriate.		louder (crescendo) and	and their equivalent	indicators.
	Compare music and		Begin to consider	getting quieter	rests.	
	express growing tastes		structure when	(decrescendo).		
	in music. Explain how		improvising.			
	musical elements can			Introduce a simple		
	be used together to		Use the pentatonic scale	second part to		
	compose music.		to sing and play short	introduce vocal		
			musical phrases.	harmony.		
	Comment on					
	musicians use of		Compose music to create	Sing rounds and partner		
	technique to create		a specific mood,	songs in 2, 3 and 4 time		
	effect.		introducing major and	signatures.		
			minor keys.			
				Perform with		
				confidence to a range of		
				audiences.		

Year 4	Drumming	Singing – Rounds & Harmonies	Pentatonic Scale - Musicianship
Brain	N/A	BB1: Dynamics mean how loud or quiet the music	BB1: A rest is the absence of sound.
Busters		is.	
		BB2: Crescendo means to gradually get louder.	BB2: Major music sounds happy.
		BB3: Decrescendo means to gradually get quieter.	BB3: Minor music sounds sad.
		BB4: A round is when several musicians play the	BB4: Staccato means bouncy.
		same melody but they start at different times.	
		BB5: A harmony is a musical line that works with	BB5: Legato means smooth.
		the melody.	



	Drumming	Singing – Rounds & Harmonies	Pentatonic Scale - Musicianship
Year 4	N/A	Dynamics	Rest
Vocabulary	·	Crescendo	Major
		Decrescendo	Minor
		Round	Staccato
		Melody/Harmony	Legato
		Static	Pentatonic scale
		Moving harmony	



Year 5 Listo	tening	Understanding Rhythm	Improvising and Composing	Singing and Performing	Understanding musical notation	Understanding the history and context of music including the Great Composers
differmus app voca Expl how feat be u com Not how	propriate musical cabulary. plain and evaluate w musical elements, atures and styles can used together to mpose music.	Recognise bar and metre. Be aware of the terms 'accelerando' and 'rallentando' Understand how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together. Recognise simple time and be aware of compound time.	Improvise freely over a drone, developing sense of shape and character, using tuned instruments. Improvise over a simple groove, responding to the beat, considering structure and dynamics, e.g. fortissimo, pianissimo, mezzo forte and mezzo piano. Compose melodies made from pairs of phrases, in either C major or A minor. Compose short ternary pieces. Use chords to compose music to evoke a specific atmosphere.	Sing a broad range of songs, including three-part rounds, partner songs and songs with a verse and chorus, observing appropriate style. Perform with confidence to a range of audiences.	Develop an understanding of formal written notation which includes crotchets, paired quavers, minims, semibreves, semiquavers and their equivalent rests. Use the full octave of notes.	Develop an increasing understanding of the history and context of music.

Year 5	Exploring Key Signatures	Music Technology	Exploring Rhythm with Percussion
Brain	BB1: A bar is a small segment of music.	BB1: A composer is someone who writes music.	BB1: 6/8 means there are 6 quaver counts in a bar.
Busters	BB2: 4/4 means there are four crotchet beats in a	BB2: Garage Band is a type of technology that	BB2: A percussion instrument is sounded by being
	bar.	supports music making.	struck or scraped by a beater.
	BB3: An octave includes all the notes which are	BB3: A motif is a musical idea.	BB3: A semibreve is 4 beats.
	C,D,E,F,G,A,B		



	BB4: 3/4 means there are three crotchet beats in a	BB4: Rhythm refers to the pattern of sounds and	BB4: A key refers to a pre-arranged group of notes
	bar.	silences in music.	that work together.
	BB5: A key signature refers to how many beats are	BB5: Percussion that does not have different	BB5: The black notes on a piano are called 'flats'
	in a bar.	pitches is called unpitched percussion.	and 'sharps'.

	Exploring Key Signatures	Music Technology	Exploring Rhythm with Percussion
Year 5	Simple Time	Rhythm	Semibreve.
Vocabulary	Bar		
	Metre	(No more new vocabulary as now prior learning	(No more new vocabulary as now prior learning
	Octave	must be practised and embedded).	must be practised and embedded).
	Fortissimo		
	Pianissimo		
	Mezzo forte		
	Mezzo piano		
	Compound time		
	Accelerando		
	Rallentando		



Year 6	Listening	Understanding Rhythm	Improvising and Composing	Singing and Performing	Understanding musical notation	Understanding the history and context of music including the Great Composers
	Analyse and compare musical features choosing appropriate musical vocabulary.	Improvise melodic and rhythmic material within given structures.	Create music with multiple sections, including repetition and contrast.	Sing a broad range of songs, including those that involve syncopated rhythm, observing	Develop an understanding of formal written notation which includes crotchets,	Appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music
	Explain and evaluate how musical elements, features and styles can be used together to	Recognise and understand compound time and syncopation.	Extend improvised melodies beyond 8 beats or over a fixed groove.	rhythm, phrasing, accurate pitching and appropriate style. Sing four-part rounds.	paired quavers, minims, semibreves, semiquavers and their equivalent rests. Use the full octave of	drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.
	Notice, comment on and compare the use of musical devices.		Plan and compose 8 and 16 beat melodic phrases using the pentatonic scale.	Perform with confidence to a range of audiences.	notes.	
			Compose melodies in either G major or E minor, enhancing with rhythmic or chordal accompaniment where appropriate.			

Year 6	Blues Music	Drumming	Music Technology	Singing & Performance – Year 6 play
Brain	BB1: Syncopation is the accenting of	N/A	BB1: Ternary form is a three-part	BB1: Pizzicato is a playing technique
Busters	a note which would usually not be		structure.	that involves plucking the strings of a
	accented (often described as off			string instrument.
	beat).			
	BB2: A triad is a chord made up of		BB2: The three sections in a ternary	BB2: Tremolo is a 'trembling' effect
	three notes.		form piece are A, B, A.	that can be made through shaking a
				string.



BB3: A semiquaver is a ¼ beat.	BB3: The pentatonic scale involves	BB3: A playing technique refers to
	only the black notes on a piano.	how an instrument is played.
BB4: A diatonic scale is seven 'steps'	BB4: A 4/4 time signature is an	BB4: A genre is a style of music.
up or down a key.	example of simple time.	
BB5: There is one sharp in G major	BB5: A 3/4 time signature is an	BB5: Blues is an example of a genre
and E minor.	example of compound time.	of music.

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	Vocabulary	Syncopation	N/A	Ternary form	Pizzicato
		Triads			Tremolo
		Semiquaver		(No more new vocabulary as now	
		Diatonic scale		prior learning must be practised and	(No more new vocabulary as now
				embedded).	prior learning must be practised and
					embedded).
					embedded).