

	Nursery	Reception	Year1	Year 2	Expectation
Use of voice	Join in with songs and	Copy movements in	Use their voices	Make sounds with a	
	rhymes and can	time with the words	expressively by singing	slight difference. Use	
	progress to be able to	and music.	songs and speaking	my voice in different	
	sing an entire song		chants and rhymes in	ways to create	
		Remember the words	unison.	different effects	
	Has a preference for	to simple songs.			
	songs that he/she likes		Use my voice in	Use their voices	
	and can create sounds	Perform songs to an	different ways to	expressively and	
	in vocal songs and	audience.	create different	creatively by singing	
	games		effects.	songs, some in parts	
	-	Understands the		and rounds	
	Copy movements in	importance of	Follow instructions on		
	time with the words	sitting/standing	how and when to sing.	Begin to understand	
	and music. Can	straight and smiling		the importance of how	
	perform simple songs	when singing.	Make and control long	and why we warm up	
	to an audience		and short sounds,	our voices e.g. good	
		Follow the leaders	using voices.	posture and vocal	
		nonverbal direction e.g.		warm ups	
		starting and stopping	Imitate changes in		
		appropriately and	pitch.	Appreciate how	
		singing loudly/quietly		singing and breathing	
			Take notice of others	properly produces a	
		Sings to self and makes	when I am performing.	better sound quality.	
		up simple songs.			
			Perform confidently to	Performs with	
			an audience.	confidence and an	
				awareness of each	
			Can follow the leaders	other.	
			nonverbal direction		



			e.g. starting and	Understands the
			stopping appropriately	meaning of the lyrics in
			and singing	a song and express this
			loudly/quietly	when performing.
			Degin to understand	Cing in tung with g
			Begin to understand	Sing in tune with a
			the importance of how	limited pitch range and
			and why we warm up	perform with a good
			our voices e.g. good	sense of pulse and
			posture and vocal	rhythm
			warm ups	
Play tuned &	Experiment with	Begin to start and stop	Play tuned and	Copy a simple pattern
untuned	different ways of	when directed.	untuned instruments	of long and short
	playing instruments (eg		with control	sounds.
instruments	shaking or tapping a	Keep the pulse using a		
	tambourine/ maracas	percussion instrument.	Explore different ways	Make a sequence of
	and the speed and		to play instruments	long and short sounds.
	volume that can be	Can explore using	such as shaking,	Invent or use real
	played	different types of	hitting, plucking and	symbols to invent and
		percussion instruments	scraping.	record simple rhythm
	Hold a percussion	and know how to play		patterns.
	instrument correctly	and look after them	Copy a simple pattern	
	and begin to	properly	of long and short	Select sounds to
	understand how to	,	sounds.	represent different
	play it correctly and	Can begin to		things (ideas,thoughts,
	with control	understand the	Make a sequence of	feelings, moods etc).
		importance of looking	long and short sounds	
	Begin to start and stop	after tuned	with help.	Make sounds that are
	when directed	instruments and learn		very different (loud
		how to play them	Use invented or real	and quiet, high and
		now to play them	symbols to invent and	low etc).
			symbols to invent and	10W Etc).



	Begin to keep the pulse using a percussion instrument	properly (e.g. glocks and boom whackers) Explore percussion instruments and sounds and how they can be changed, tapping out of simple rhythms.	record simple rhythm patterns. Select sounds to represent different things (ideas, thoughts, feelings, moods etc). Make sounds that are very different (loud and quiet, high and low etc).	Play tuned instruments musically, for example, the recorder, and begin to read music. Explore different sound materials such as skin, wood, metal and clay. Explore different ways to play instruments such as shaking, hitting, plucking and scraping. Use different sounds to create an effect.
Listen & appraise	Sit and listen to music and sounds and be able to match a picture to them. Identify specific sounds and describe them. Listen to and discuss a variety of recorded and live music.	Listen to and discuss a variety of recorded and live music. Listen to music and make their own dances in response. Say if they like/dislike the piece of music and why.	Listen out for different types of sounds, with help. Demonstrate that I can hear different moods in music with support. Recognise that sections of music can	Listen with concentration and understanding to a range of high-quality live and recorded music, focussing on all the dimensions of music



	Say how the music	sound the same or	Demonstrate that I can
Listen to music and	makes them feel.	different.	hear different moods
make their own dances			in music.
in response.	Listen to and respect	Listen with	
	others' opinions	concentration and	Recognise fast and
Listen to songs from	,	understanding to a	slow tempos
different genres and	Begin to identify and	range of high-quality	
cultures	name instruments	live and recorded	Listen carefully to
	within a piece of music.	music, focussing on	music, recognising the
Say if they like/dislike		contrasts of dynamics,	build up of layers, such
the piece of music and	Talk about any pictures	tempo and pitch	as the different
how it makes them	or colours they imagine		instruments.
feel.	when listening to a	Talk about any pictures	
	piece of music and	or colours they imagine	Recognise that songs
	draw or represent the	when listening to a	may be verse, chorus,
	music/sounds they can	piece of music and	verse, or beginning,
	hear.	draw or represent the	middle, end etc.
		music/sounds they	
		hear.	Listen for different
			types of sounds.
		Begin to talk about the	
		structure of a piece of	Compare styles of
		music and whether the	music.
		music is fast or slow	
		(tempo) and	Begin to think about
		loud/quiet (dynamics)	the background and
			inspiration for different
		Begin to recognise	genres of music.
		different styles of	
		music.	Begin to recognise
			simple style indicators



			Talk about likes/dislikes. Explore moving to different styles of music. Compare styles of music. Begin to think about the background and inspiration for different genres of music.	e.g. rock has a very strong drum beat Begin to discuss musical instruments they hear in the music and group the instrument type e.g. strings, brass, percussion Become more confident in using musical vocabulary when talking about a	
				piece of music. I like it when it gets faster (tempo) quieter (dynamics). Able to discuss simple dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics) and how they fit with the music we have listened to.	
Experiment & create	Create own patterns in music making	Clap my own simple rhythm e.g. My name is Sa-rah. I like bana-nas.	Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using the inter related	Experiment with, create, select and combine sounds using	



Add sound effects to	Explore improvisation	dimensions of music –	all the inter related
stories using	using two notes	focussing on dynamics	dimensions of music
instruments.	(letters).	(loud and soft), tempo	
		(fast and slow) and	Make my own simple
Clap my own simple	Explore composition	pitch (high and low)	rhythm using body
rhythm e.g. My name is	using two notes		percussion and
Sa-rah.	(letters).	Explore composition	instrumental
		using five notes	percussion.
	Makes up rhythms.	(letters).	
			Make up a simple tune
		Improvise vocally and	using a tuned
		with instruments using	instrument.
		two notes	
			Compose using five
		Make my own simple	notes (letters) on the
		rhythm using body	onscreen grid and
		percussion and	evaluate and improve
		, instrumental	my composition.
		percussion.	

Key Vocabulary

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Music, listen, sing, clap, shake, play, loud, quiet, fast, slow, sound, instrument, beat, action, tap, bang	Music, listen, sing, clap, tap, bang, shake, play, loud, quiet, fast, slow, whisper, high, low, long, short, sound, instrument, beat, action, speed, steady, orchestra, words relating to sound production such	Loud, quiet, fast, slow, high, low, long, short, chant, hum, whisper, whistle, pulse, beat, pitch, speed, steady, orchestra, perform, pattern, repeat, percussion, tempo, rhythm,	Repeat, pattern, speed, pulse, beat, pitch, steady, orchestra, perform, dynamics, verse, chorus, introduction, body percussion, composition, accompany, note value, duration, notation, crotchet,



as hitting, shaking and scraping, percussion, tempo, rhythm, melody, pulse	'ta' and 'ti-ti', melody, phrase, conductor	minim, quaver, melodic shape, emotion, score, sequence, repetition, stave, review, ostinato, timbre, texture, structure
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Notes:

7 inter related dimensions of music – dynamics, tempo, pitch, duration, timbre, texture, structure

Rhythm and pulse – Rhythm is the pattern of long and short sounds as you move through the song; pulse is a steady beat like a ticking clock or your hearbeat

Correct names for percussion instruments to be used in all classes – tambourine, triangle, cymbal, tambour (drum), bongos (pair of drums), claves (wooden sticks), maraca (shaker), guiro (scraper), wood block, cabasa, indian bells, cow bell glockenspiel (metal bars), xylophone (wooden bars)