

EYFS	Key Stage 1		Key Stage 2				
Controlling sounds through singing and playing (performing)							
Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Begin to play	Know how to	Slide your voice	Sing as part of a	Look at	Sing as part of a	Use	
instruments to	warm up your	upwards in pitch to	group with	music/notations	group with	graphic/traditional/other	
music.	voice and safely	a high voice and	expression and	and follow along	increasing	notation to develop a	
	project it	downwards in pitch	growing confidence		confidence	deeper understanding of	
Discover how to		to a low voice		Use graphic		the shape/form of	
use the voice to	Sing songs and		Sing in a round	notation to imitate	Control breathing,	melodies	
create loud and	chant rhymes with	Sing songs with		the shape of the	posture and sound		
soft sounds.	some expression	expression	Sing songs	melody	projection when	Perform in a group and	
			creatively adding		singing	alone using voices	
Sing 'call and	Sing as part of a	Sing as part of a	accompaniments	Select instruments		and/or instruments with	
response' songs.	group	group	and changing the	and create sounds	Sing in two parts	increasing fluency,	
			words	to describe visual		accuracy, control and	
Copy clapping	Sing songs and	Create simple		images	Play and perform	expression	
rhythms.	chant rhymes at	rhythmic	Perform in a group		in solo or group		
	different volumes	accompaniments	using instruments	Perform in a group	contexts with	Collaborate with peers.	
Tap the rhythm to	and speeds	for songs using		and alone using	some accuracy,		
a word.		body or untuned	Play singing and	voices and/or	control, fluency	Follow a conductor	
	Clap in time with a	percussion	clapping games	instruments	and expression		
	steady pulse					Perform to an audience	
		Perform	Collaborate with	Use voices to	Play simple chords		
	Copy and create	accompaniments to	peers	create and control	in a sequence		
	simple rhythmic	songs using tuned	•	sounds e.g. tempo,	•		
	patterns using	and untuned	Follow a conductor	speed, dynamics,	Collaborate with		
	body or untuned	instruments		pitch	peers		
	percussion						



	Play clapping games Collaborate with peers Follow a conductor Perform to an audience	Play clapping games Collaborate with peers Follow a conductor Perform to an audience	Rehearse together to achieve objectives Perform to an audience	Sing in a round/canon Copy increasingly challenging rhythms Collaborate with peers Follow a conductor Perform to an audience	Follow a conductor Perform to an audience		
Creating and developing musical ideas (composing)							
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Children talk about their own ideas and processes which have led them to make music. They can talk about the features of their own and others work (compositions),	Make sound effects Create simple rhythmic patterns using body or untuned percussion Explore different instruments and	Create a sound story Create simple rhythmic patterns using words such as 'tea' and 'coffee' Create repeated patterns (ostinatos)	Interpret notation of rhythm (not on a stave) Create melodic phrases Experiment with different sounds and instruments	Experiment with different sounds and instruments Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes Add words to melodic phrases or	Experiment with different sounds and instruments Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes Improvise with increasing	Experiment with different sounds and instruments Compose using an understanding of music from different cultures, times and styles Plan for expression in compositions	



recognising the differences between them and	ways of making a sound with them	Choose and control sounds to create different moods	Compose music in pairs and small groups	change words in a pre-existing song	confidence when using your voice	
the strengths of others.	Begin to use symbols to represent sounds	and effects Adapt symbols representing music to show changes in dynamics	Begin to explore using music technology as a way to record sounds		Create music that describes two contrasting moods Compose more complex rhythms	
		uynannes	Sourius		Begin to use simple formal notation to write ideas down Explore using music technology as a way to compose	
		Respo	onding and reviewing	(appraising)		
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	Recognise clear changes in sounds (pitch, tempo, volume) and musical patterns	Understand how combining different musical elements can create a mood/character	Able to describe and compare moods in different pieces of music Use critique to improve work	Begin to appreciate and understand different works and composers Listen to live music and evaluate impact	Listen and appraise using appropriate musical vocabulary Identify characteristics of a piece	Analyse and compare musical features Identify characteristics of a style Respond respectfully to music



Year 2	d applying knowledge of Year 3	and understanding Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
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Describe, name and group a variety of instruments Listen carefully and recall short rhythmic and melodic patterns Use changes in dynamics, tempo and/or pitch to organise music.	Use musical dimensions together to compose music Know number of beats in a minim, crotchet, quaver and semibreve and recognise symbols (duration) Play with a sound-then symbol	Confidently recognise a range of musical instruments and the sounds they make Combine sounds expressively Be aware of common musical features in the style being studied	Combine sounds effectively Read/ work out the notes in the treble clef on the musical stave (note values as Year 4). Perform songs in a way that reflects the meaning of the words, the venue and sense of	Use increased aural memory to recall sounds accurately Use knowledge of musical dimensions to know how to best combine them Know and use standard musical notation to perform and write down your own music Create music with an
	use changes in dynamics, tempo and/or pitch to organise music.	melodic patterns Use changes in dynamics, tempo and/or pitch to organise music. crotchet, quaver and semibreve and recognise symbols (duration) Play with a sound-then symbol	melodic patterns Crotchet, quaver and semibreve and recognise symbols dynamics, tempo and/or pitch to organise music. Combine sounds expressively Be aware of common musical features in the style being studied	melodic patterns crotchet, quaver and semibreve and Use changes in dynamics, tempo and/or pitch to organise music. Combine sounds expressively Combine sounds expressively Perform songs in a way that reflects common musical features in the words, the venue



	Use silence for	Read note values	the audience	lyrics, melody, rhythms
Introduced to	effect and know	and know how	appreciates it	and accompaniments
crotchets, quavers	symbol for a rest	many beats they		work together
and crotchet rests	(duration)	represent (minim,	Describe different	effectively
		crotchet,	purposes of music	(pitch/texture/
Use symbols	Describe different	semibreve, quaver,	in history/ other	structure)
and/or notation to	purposes of music	dotted crotchet,	cultures	
write down musical		rests)		Use different venues and
ideas				occasions to vary
		Know that sense of		performances
Aware that music		occasion affects		
can be played or		performance		Describe different
listened to for a				purposes of music in
variety of purposes		Describe different		history/ other cultures
		purposes of music		
		in history/ other		
		cultures		