



Music Progression of Skills Year 6







| Year 6 Areas of Study | Listening and Responding |
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| Creative response to the idea of 'Identity' using music (Identity) Creative response to The Mayan's using music (The Lost World) | Listen with sustained concentration to both live and recorded music. Recognise all the family groups within the orchestra and be able to name instruments within those families. To understand and appreciate the role of the conductor. Identify many of the structural and expressive aspects of the music heard e.g. starts slowly and gets faster, using musical terminology when answering eg tempo, pitch. Discuss the impact of a piece of music, using musical terminology when answering. |
| Improvising and Composing Be able to read simple musical on a musical stave. E.g. FACE EGBDF Be able to compose simple melodies using combinations of all the notes. Be able to follow simple musical notation when playing as part of an ensemble. | Performing - Singing Be able to sing with control, accuracy, fluency and expression. To sing songs, maintaining their own part e.g. 2, 3 or 4 part songs or simple harmonies showing an awareness of others. Understand and be able to explain the importance of 'warming up' their voices and lead warm up activities. Sing with articulation. |
| Performing - Playing Perform rhythmical and melodic patterns on a variety of percussion instruments. Confidently, read and play simple musical notation represented on a musical stave. To play and perform with accuracy, fluency, control and expression both as a soloist and as part of an ensemble. Participate in improvisation sessions with confidence. | Appraising Talk about music heard using appropriate musical vocabulary and suggest improvements — What went well? What worked? Why? Show and explain to others how to improve their compositions/performance. Show and explain the place of silence and say what effect it has. Identify the purpose of the music e.g. the power of music in films Be able to name a variety of composers and identify the differences in the styles of their work. |

- Recognise high, low and middle sounds and know that this is called 'pitch'. Be able to show and explain the shape of a melody in terms of steps, leaps and repeated notes.
- Recognise long and short sounds and know that this is called 'duration'. Be able to show and explain pulse and rhythm and recognise the difference between them.
- Recognise loud, quiet and silent sounds and know that this is called 'dynamics'. Be able to describe changes in dynamics.
- Recognise how the beat changes using fast and slow and know that this is called 'tempo'. Begin to recognise and describe changes in tempo.
- Recognise and respond to changes in the layering of sound and know that this called 'texture'. Be able to create different layers of sound by using different instruments including the voice.
- Recognise that music has different structures e.g. beginning, middle, end and repetition. Be able to create simple structures within their own musical compositions.

| Identify different percussion sounds and how they are made and know that this is called 'timbre'. | | |
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| • Identify harmonies in a piece of music and understand that they are created by different notes blending together. Be able to sing in harmony by maintaining own parts. | | |
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