







West Meadows Primary School Foundation Knowledge Organiser

Area: Listening and appreciating	Year: 5	Subject: Music	
What should I already know? 'texture' is to do with the layers of instruments within a piece significant composers and pieces of music from periods in Western music: Bach, Tchaikovsky, Handel, Mozart, Beethoven	How will I use this learning in the future? In Year 6 I will be appreciating and understanding a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different cultures, traditions and from great composers and musicians. I will be exploring how music reflects time, place and culture.	What vocabulary should I learn?	
What should I know by the end?		alto	quite high pitch, medium size and weight
		baritone	largest saxophone, low pitch, deep and powerful
Music styles through the 20th century:		electric	convert string vibrations into electrical signals for amplification (louder)
		improvise	perform without practise or preparation
Jazz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Born in African American communities during the late 1800s and early 1900s. • Improvisation is a very important part of jazz (playing what you feel in that moment). • There are many different jazz styles, including ragtime, swing, cool jazz and be-bop. • Key instruments include trumpets, piano, trombones and the four types of saxophone. • Louis Armstrong was a famous jazz musician. 	Soul <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1960s style of African American music. • It was influenced by gospel singing, had lyrical melodies, a strong rhythm and large horn sections including trombones and trumpets. • Otis Redding is a popular soul performer. 	soprano	small saxophone, highest pitch
Big Band and Swing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swing began in the late 1920s and a typical song would include a strong rhythm accompanied by wind, string or brass instruments, and vocals. • Glenn Miller and Duke Ellington are two of the most famous big band leaders. 	Popular (Pop) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Began in the 1960s with groups such as The Monkees and The Beatles. • The Beatles were from Liverpool and wrote their own songs. 	tenor	most common saxophone, throaty and full tone
Rock 'n' Roll <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Came from America during the late 1940s and early 1950s. • In the early 1940s, the saxophone or piano were often the lead instrument but this was replaced with the electric guitar in the 50s. • A very popular rock 'n' roll hit was 'Rock Around The Clock' by Bill Haley & His Comets. • Elvis Presley who was known by many as the King of Rock and Roll. 	Funk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popular in the 1970s with performers such as James Brown and Kool & The Gang. • Typical 'funk' instruments consist of the electric guitar, electric bass and drums. • Funk was influenced by soul music and would sometimes include a horn section of saxophones or trumpets. 	concerto	solo instrument or instruments accompanied by an orchestra
		sonata	an instrumental soloist, often with a piano accompaniment
		symphony	an elaborate musical composition for full orchestra
		texture	the layers of instruments
		What vocabulary do I already know?	
		Indie/Indie Pop/Indie Rock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Became popular in the 1980s with popular UK bands like The Smiths, Blur and Bastille. • Indie music stands for 'independent music' which means that the music doesn't fit into one style. 	
Hip Hop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hip hop began in America in the 1970s. • This musical style began with block parties in New York, where music was brought outside. • It includes programmed beats, rapping, samples and DJing. • DJ Kool Herc is known as the 'Father of Hip Hop'. 		texture	the layers of instruments
Contemporary R 'n' B <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R 'n' B began in America during the late 1980s with artists such as Whitney Houston and Janet Jackson. • Contemporary R 'n' B shouldn't be confused with earlier R&B (rhythm and blues), • R 'n' B music mixes elements of hip-hop and soul. • Today, Rihanna is a popular R 'n' B artist. 			