

# **Listen and Appraise**

Knowledge	Skills
<ul> <li>To know five songs from memory and who sang them or wrote them.</li> <li>To know the style of the five songs.</li> <li>To choose one song and be able to talk about:         <ul> <li>Its lyrics: what the song is about</li> <li>Any musical dimensions featured in the song, and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm and pitch)</li> <li>Identify the main sections of the song (introduction, verse, chorus etc.)</li> <li>Name some of the instruments they heard in the song</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To confidently identify and move to the pulse.</li> <li>To think about what the words of a song mean.</li> <li>To take it in turn to discuss how the song makes them feel.</li> <li>Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music.</li> </ul>



#### **Musical Activities: Games**

Knowledge	Skills
<ul> <li>Know how to find and demonstrate the pulse.</li> <li>Know the difference between pulse and rhythm.</li> <li>Know how pulse, rhythm and pitch work together to create a song.</li> <li>Know that every piece of music has a pulse/steady beat.</li> <li>Know the difference between a musical question and an answer.</li> </ul>	Using the Warm up Games tracks provided, complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Challenges. Children will complete the following in relation to the main song, using two notes:  1. Find the Pulse  2. Rhythm Copy Back:  a. Bronze: Clap and say back rhythms b. Silver: Create your own simple rhythm patterns c. Gold: Perhaps lead the class using their simple rhythms  3. Pitch Copy Back Using 2 Notes a. Bronze: Copy back – 'Listen and sing back' (no notation) b. Silver: Copy back with instruments, without then with notation c. Gold: Copy back with instruments, without and then with notation  4. Pitch Copy Back and Vocal Warm-ups



## **Musical Activities: Singing**

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<ul> <li>To know and be able to talk about:</li> <li>Singing in a group can be called a choir</li> <li>Leader or conductor: A person who the choir or group follow</li> <li>Songs can make you feel different things e.g. happy, energetic or sad</li> <li>Singing as part of an ensemble or large group is fun, but that you must listen to each other</li> <li>To know why you must warm up your voice</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To sing in unison and in simple two-parts.</li> <li>To demonstrate a good singing posture.</li> <li>To follow a leader when singing.</li> <li>To enjoy exploring singing solo.</li> <li>To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'.</li> <li>To have an awareness of the pulse internally when singing.</li> </ul>

## **Musical Activities: Playing Instruments**

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To know and be able to talk about:  • The instruments used in class (a glockenspiel, a recorder)	<ul> <li>To treat instruments carefully and with respect.</li> <li>Play any one, or all of four, differentiated parts on a tuned instrument – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song) from memory or using notation.</li> <li>To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song.</li> <li>To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader.</li> </ul>

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# **Musical Activities: Improvisation**

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<ul> <li>To know and be able to talk about improvisation:</li> <li>Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot</li> <li>When someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to them</li> <li>To know that using one or two notes confidently is better than using five</li> <li>To know that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake</li> </ul>	Improvise using instruments in the context of the song they are learning to perform. Using the improvisation tracks provided, children will complete the Bronze, Silver or Gold Challenges:  Bronze Challenge:  Copy Back – Listen and sing back  Play and Improvise – Using instruments, listen and play your own answer using one note.  Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one note.  Silver Challenge:  Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, using two different notes.  Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using one or two notes.  Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using one or two notes.  Gold Challenge:  Sing, Play and Copy Back – Listen and copy back using instruments, two different notes.  Play and Improvise – Using your instruments, listen and play your own answer using two different notes.  Improvise! – Take it in turns to improvise using three different notes.



## **Musical Activities: Composition**

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<ul> <li>A composition: music that is created by you and kept in some way. It's like writing a story. It can be played or performed again to your friends.</li> <li>Different ways of recording compositions (letter names, symbols, audio etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or five different notes.</li> <li>Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song.</li> <li>Talk about how it was created.</li> <li>Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo.</li> <li>Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation).</li> </ul>

#### **Performance**

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<ul> <li>Performing is sharing music with other people, an audience</li> <li>A performance doesn't have to be a drama! It can be to one person or to each other</li> <li>You need to know and have planned everything that will be performed</li> <li>You must sing or rap the words clearly and play with confidence</li> <li>A performance can be a special occasion and involve an audience including of people you don't know</li> <li>It is planned and different for each occasion</li> <li>It involves communicating feelings, thoughts and ideas about the song/music</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To choose what to perform and create a programme.</li> <li>To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them.</li> <li>To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit.</li> <li>To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why.</li> </ul>