

Music Key Vocabulary



	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Autumn	Sound Rhythm Tempo Low High Pitch	Pulse Rhythm Instrument Rhythmic pattern Music	Timbre Marimba Call and response Rhythm Structure	Ballad Stanza Chorus Summarise Lyrics Ensemble	Round Melody Ostinato Layers of Sound Harmony	Motif Non-standard Notation Composition Pitch Notation Minor Key	Depict Conductor Texture Practising Ensemble
Spring	Action Beat Composer Music Performance	Tempo Dynamics Pitch Timbre Pulse	Orchestra Instrument Tempo Dynamics Vocals	Crescendo Pentatonic Scale Letter Notation Layered Melodies Evaluate	Orchestra Clarinet Woodwind Breathing techniques	Blues Chord Bar 12 Bar Blues Improvisation	Theme & Variation Orchestra Sections Diaphragm Rhythmic Elements Variation
Summer	Transport Train Boat Symbols Score Band Orchestra Musical Instrument Percussion Dynamics	Timbre Rhythms Syllables Timpani Steady beat High pitch Low pitch Pitch Tempo Composition Performance	Beat Timbre Melody Letter Notation Composition Texture Graphic Score Notation Compose Rehearse	Ensemble Performance Crochet Quaver Minim Coordinated Sitar Tabla Indian Flute Drone Rag Tal	Body Percussion Boom, Clap, Snap Structure Loop Inspiration Samba Batucada Syncopated Beat Break Time	Looped Rhythm Remix Melody Fragment Backbeat Synesthesia Graphic Score Form Soundtrack Performance	Recitative Canon Ground Bass Fugue Oratorio Arrangement Allegro Largo Accelerando Ritardando Chord Progression

Consolidation from previous learning