

2 to 4 Year olds	Reception	Key Stage 1
• Listen with increased attention to sounds.	Listen attentively, move to and talk about music,	 use their voices expressively and creatively by
• Respond to what they have heard, expressing	expressing their feelings and responses	singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes
their thoughts and feelings.	 Watch and talk about dance and performance art, 	 play tuned and untuned instruments musically
 Remember and sing entire songs. 	expressing their feelings and responses.	 listen with concentration and understanding to
 Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another 	• Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching	a range of high-quality live and recorded music
person ('pitch match').	the pitch and following the melody	 experiment with, create, select and combine
• Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such	 Explore and engage in music making and dance, 	sounds using the inter-related dimensions of
as up and down, down and up) of familiar	performing solo or in groups	music
songs.	• Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.	
Create their own songs or improvise a song	 Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with 	
around one they know.	others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with	
 Play instruments with increasing control to 	music.	
express their feelings and ideas.		

PULSE / Beat			
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To know that we can move with the pulse of the music	Watch, follow, feel and move to a steady beat with others. Find and enjoy moving to music in different ways. Respond to the pulse in recorded/live music through movement and dance.	Watch and follow a steady beat. Find a steady beat. Recognise the time signature 4/4 by ear and notation. Understand that the speed of the beat can change, creating a faster or slower pace (tempo).	

RHYTHM			
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Copy basic rhythm patterns of single words, building to short phrases from the song/s.	Recognise and clap long sounds and short sounds, and simple combinations.	Recognise long sounds and short sounds, and match them to syllables and movement.	
	Perform short, copycat rhythm patterns accurately, led by the teacher. Perform short, repeating rhythm patterns (ostinati and riffs) while keeping in time with a steady beat.	Play copy back rhythms, copying a leader, and invent rhythms for others to copy on untuned and tuned percussion.	
	Perform word-pattern chants; create, retain and perform your own rhythm patterns	Create rhythms using word phrases as a starting point.	

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Explore high and low using voices and sounds of characters in the songs. Listen to high- pitched and low pitched sounds on a glockenspiel.	recognise, sing and play high and low pitched notes. Explore singing and playing the C major scale. Explore singing and playing F G A from the F major scale.	Identify the high notes and low notes in a melody. Join in part of a melody. Rehearse and play a simple instrumental melody as a part to go with a song. Identify the names of the notes on a glockenspiel: C, D, E, F, G, A, B, C. Use body percussion and untuned and tuned percussion instruments with a song, and listen to how the sounds blend together.
		Identify and play by ear or notation notes in the tonality of C major.

ΤΕΜΡΟ		
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Recognise and respond appropriately to a fast moving song, and a slow moving song. This can be within one known and familiar song.	Recognise the difference between the speed of a steady beat, a fast beat and a slow beat.	Recognise the difference between the speed of a steady beat, a fast beat and a slow beat. Change the speed of a steady beat, moving from fast to slow, slow to fast. Understand that the speed of the beat can change, creating a faster or slower pace

DYNAMICS			
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Recognise and respond to a loud verse and a quiet verse. This can be within one known and familiar song.	Talk about loud sounds and quiet sounds and give some examples.	Identify loud and quiet sections of music, and discuss what makes the music loud and quiet. Understand the meaning of loud and quiet (forte and piano).	

TIMBRE			
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Experiment with making different sounds within their learning environment.	Identify different sounds in the environment, indoors and outside. Identify the sounds of the instruments played in school.	Know the difference between a speaking voice and a singing voice. Identify friends from the sound of their voice.	
	identify some of the sounds of the instruments heard when listening to music.		

TEXTURE		
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Experiment with putting untuned instruments	Sing together. Listen out for combinations of	Understand that singing and playing together
to accompany known and favoured songs.	instruments together.	creates a musical texture. Add body percussion
		accompaniments.

STRUCTURE		
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Use repetitive songs with clear chorus's and encourage children to join in with the repetitive part.	Add movement to key sections of a song. Understand when to sing in a verse and a chorus.	Join in with a repeated section of a song: the chorus, the response. Join in with the main tune when it is repeated.