

KS2 Knowledge and Skills Progression

| Listen and Appraise | | | | | | | |
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| <p>To know five songs from memory and who sang them or wrote them.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know the style of the five songs. • To choose one song and be able to talk about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Its lyrics: what the song is about ○ Any musical dimensions featured in the song, and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm and pitch) ○ Identify the main sections of the song (introduction, verse, chorus etc.) ○ Name some of the instruments they heard in the song | <p>To confidently identify and move to the pulse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To think about what the words of a song mean. • To take it in turn to discuss how the song makes them feel. • Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. | <p>To know five songs from memory and who sang them or wrote them.</p> <p>To know the style of the five songs.</p> <p>To choose one song and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some of the style indicators of that song (musical characteristics that give the song its style). • The lyrics: what the song is about. • Any musical dimensions featured in the song and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm and pitch). • Identify the main sections of the song (introduction, verse, chorus etc). • Name some of the instruments they heard in the song. | <p>To confidently identify and move to the pulse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs eg if the song gets louder in the chorus (dynamics). • Talk about the music and how it makes them feel. • Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. • When you talk try to use musical words. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know five songs from memory, who sang or wrote them, when they were written and, if possible, why? • To know the style of the five songs and to name other songs from the Units in those styles. • To choose two or three other songs and be able to talk about: ○ Some of the style indicators of the songs (musical characteristics that give the songs their style) ○ The lyrics: what the songs are about ○ Any musical dimensions featured in the songs and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm and pitch) ○ Identify the main sections of the songs (intro, verse, chorus etc.) ○ Name some of the instruments they heard in the songs ○ The historical context of the songs. What else was going on at this time? | <p>To identify and move to the pulse with ease.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To think about the message of songs. • To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences. • Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. • When you talk try to use musical words. • To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs. • Talk about the music and how it makes you feel.[| <p>To know five songs from memory, who sang or wrote them, when they were written and why?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know the style of the songs and to name other songs from the Units in those styles. • To choose three or four other songs and be able to talk about: ○ The style indicators of the songs (musical characteristics that give the songs their style) ○ The lyrics: what the songs are about ○ Any musical dimensions featured in the songs and where they are used (texture, dynamics, tempo, rhythm, pitch and timbre) ○ Identify the structure of the songs (intro, verse, chorus etc.) ○ Name some of the instruments used in the songs ○ The historical context of the songs. What else was going on at this time, musically and historically? ○ Know and talk about that fact that we each have a musical identity | <p>To identify and move to the pulse with ease.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To think about the message of songs. • To compare two songs in the same style, talking about what stands out musically in each of them, their similarities and differences. • Listen carefully and respectfully to other people's thoughts about the music. • Use musical words when talking about the songs. • To talk about the musical dimensions working together in the Unit songs. • Talk about the music and how it makes you feel, using musical language to describe the music. |

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Singing

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| <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Singing in a group can be called a choir ● Leader or conductor: A person who the choir or group follow ● Songs can make you feel different things e.g. happy, energetic or sad ● Singing as part of an ensemble or large group is fun, but that you must listen to each other ● To know why you must warm up your voice | <p>To sing in unison and in simple two-parts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To enjoy exploring singing solo. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. ● To have an awareness of the pulse internally when singing. | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Singing in a group can be called a choir ● Leader or conductor: A person who the choir or group follow ● Songs can make you feel different things e.g. happy, energetic or sad ● Singing as part of an ensemble or large group is fun, but that you must listen to each other ● Texture: How a solo singer makes a thinner texture than a large group ● To know why you must warm up your voice | <p>To sing in unison and in simple two-parts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To enjoy exploring singing solo. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. ● To rejoin the song if lost. ● To listen to the group when singing | <p>To know and confidently sing five songs and their parts from memory, and to sing them with a strong internal pulse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To choose a song and be able to talk about: ○ Its main features ○ Singing in unison, the solo, lead vocal, backing vocals or rapping ○ To know what the song is about and the meaning of the lyrics ○ To know and explain the importance of warming up your voice | <p>To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To enjoy exploring singing solo. ● To choose a song and be able to talk about: ○ Its main features ○ Singing in unison, the solo, lead vocal, backing vocals or rapping ○ To know what the song is about and the meaning of the lyrics ○ To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. | <p>To know and confidently sing five songs and their parts from memory, and to sing them with a strong internal pulse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To know about the style of the songs so you can represent the feeling and context to your audience ● To choose a song and be able to talk about: ○ Its main features ○ Singing in unison, the solo, lead vocal, backing vocals or rapping ○ To know what the song is about and the meaning of the lyrics ○ To know and explain the importance of warming up your voice | <p>To sing in unison and to sing backing vocals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To demonstrate a good singing posture. ● To follow a leader when singing. ● To experience rapping and solo singing. ● To listen to each other and be aware of how you fit into the group. ● To sing with awareness of being 'in tune'. |

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Playing

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| <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The instruments used in class (a glockenspiel, a recorder) | <p>To treat instruments carefully and with respect.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. • To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The instruments used in class (a glockenspiel, recorder or xylophone). • Other instruments they might play or be played in a band or orchestra or by their friends. | <p>To treat instruments carefully and with respect.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play any one, or all 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. • To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. • To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. • To experience leading the playing by making sure everyone plays in the playing section of the song. | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different ways of writing music down – e.g. staff notation, symbols • The notes C, D, E, F, G, A, B + C on the treble stave • The instruments they might play or be played in a band or orchestra or by their friends | <p>Play a musical instrument with the correct technique within the context of the Unit song.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select and learn an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song from memory or using notation. • To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. • To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. • To lead a rehearsal session. | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different ways of writing music down – e.g. staff notation, symbols • The notes C, D, E, F, G, A, B + C on the treble stave • The instruments they might play or be played in a band or orchestra or by their friends | <p>Play a musical instrument with the correct technique within the context of the Unit song.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select and learn an instrumental part that matches their musical challenge, using one of the differentiated parts – a one-note, simple or medium part or the melody of the song from memory or using notation. • To rehearse and perform their part within the context of the Unit song. • To listen to and follow musical instructions from a leader. • To lead a rehearsal session. |

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| <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Different ways of recording compositions (letter names, symbols, audio etc.) | <p>Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or five different notes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song. • Talk about how it was created. • Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo. • Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation). | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Different ways of recording compositions (letter names, symbols, audio etc.) | <p>Help create at least one simple melody using one, three or all five different notes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan and create a section of music that can be performed within the context of the unit song. • Talk about how it was created. • Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo. • Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation). | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • A composition has pulse, rhythm and pitch that work together and are shaped by tempo, dynamics, texture and structure • Notation: recognise the connection between sound and symbol | <p>Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of the Unit song.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the keynote or home note and the structure of the melody. • Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song. • Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation). | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • A composition has pulse, rhythm and pitch that work together and are shaped by tempo, dynamics, texture and structure • Notation: recognise the connection between sound and symbol | <p>Create simple melodies using up to five different notes and simple rhythms that work musically with the style of the Unit song.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the keynote or home note and the structure of the melody. • Listen to and reflect upon the developing composition and make musical decisions about how the melody connects with the song. • Record the composition in any way appropriate that recognises the connection between sound and symbol (e.g. graphic/pictorial notation). |

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Performance

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| <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing is sharing music with other people, an audience • A performance doesn't have to be a drama! It can be to one person or to each other • You need to know and have planned everything that will be performed • You must sing or rap the words clearly and play with confidence • A performance can be a special occasion and involve an audience including of people you don't know • It is planned and different for each occasion • It involves communicating feelings, thoughts and ideas about the song/music | <p>To choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. • To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit. • To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why. | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing is sharing music with other people, an audience • A performance doesn't have to be a drama! It can be to one person or to each other • You need to know and have planned everything that will be performed • You must sing or rap the words clearly and play with confidence • A performance can be a special occasion and involve an audience including of people you don't know • It is planned and different for each occasion • It involves communicating feelings, thoughts and ideas about the song/music | <p>To choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present a musical performance designed to capture the audience. • To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. • To talk about the best place to be when performing and how to stand or sit. • To record the performance and say how they were feeling, what they were pleased with what they would change and why. | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing is sharing music with other people, an audience • A performance doesn't have to be a drama! It can be to one person or to each other • Everything that will be performed must be planned and learned • You must sing or rap the words clearly and play with confidence • A performance can be a special occasion and involve an audience including of people you don't know • It is planned and different for each occasion • A performance involves communicating ideas, thoughts and feelings about the song/music | <p>To choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. • To talk about the venue and how to use it to best effect. • To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance. • To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?” | <p>To know and be able to talk about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing is sharing music with an audience with belief • A performance doesn't have to be a drama! It can be to one person or to each other • Everything that will be performed must be planned and learned • You must sing or rap the words clearly and play with confidence • A performance can be a special occasion and involve an audience including of people you don't know • It is planned and different for each occasion • A performance involves communicating ideas, thoughts and feelings about the song/music | <p>To choose what to perform and create a programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To communicate the meaning of the words and clearly articulate them. • To talk about the venue and how to use it to best effect. • To record the performance and compare it to a previous performance. • To discuss and talk musically about it – “What went well?” and “It would have been even better if...?” |