# Music
## Curriculum Journey

**YEARS 10 11**

### What Makes a Good Song?

Performing as an Ensemble · Pulse, Beat & Rhythm · Latin-American Percussion · Lyrics and Song Words · Hooks and Riffs · Popular Song Structure (INTRO, VERSE 1, VERSE 2, CHORUS, VERSE 3, CHORUS, BRIDGE/MIDDLE 8, CHORUS, CODA) · Instruments, Timbres and Sonorities in Songs · Creating a Musical Arrangement Cover Version

**SAMBA**

Cyclic Rhythms · Polyrhythms · Improvisation · Ostinato · Syncopation · Q&A/Call and Response

Melody and Counter-Melody · Melodic Motion: Conjunct, Disjunct, Range · Texture – Melody, Counter-Melody, Hooks/Riffs, Chords, Accompaniment, Bass Line · Notation – Lead Sheets

**New Directions**

Inversion Retrograde · Augmentation Diminution · Note/Tone Rows · Additive Melody · Minimalism, Expressionism, Serialism · Motif/Cell · Hexachords · Metamorphosis · Phase Shift Phase In/Out

### Computer and Video Game Music

Jumping Bass Line · Character Theme Motif · Soundtrack Sound Effect · Staccato Articulation · Chromaticism · Ground Theme · Syncopation

### SOUNDTRACKS

Dissonance · Mickey-Mousing · Diegetic Non-Diegetic · Musical Clichés · Leitmotif/Sequencing · Orchestration Timbre Sonority

**Dance Music**

Dance Music from different times and places · Accompaniment Patterns in Dance Music · Texture – Melody and Accompaniment · Rhythms in Dance Music · Primary Chords I IV V V7 · Simple and Compound Time Signatures 2 3 4 6 / 4 4 4 8

**YEAR 9**

### ALL ABOUT THE BASS

Frontline Instruments (Solos) · Rhythm Section · Textures and Layers · Bass Clef Staff Notation · Bass Clef Musical Instruments · The Bass Guitar · Ragtime · Modal Jazz & Modes · Bass Line Patterns: Walking Bass, Bass Line Riffs, Alberti Bass, Broken Chord, Arpeggio, Pedal · Chords – Root, Third and Fifth · Augmentation Diminution · Pedal · Counter Melody · Melody/Theme · The Elements of Music (Pitch, Duration, Texture, Silence, Sonority, Articulation, Timbre, Tempo, Dynamics)

### SAHARAN SOUNDS

Master Drummer · Ostinato · Syncopation · Q&A/Call and Response · Djembe Performance Technique – Bass, Tone & Slap · Improvisation · Textures - Cyclic and Polyrhythms · African Musical Instruments · Chords I, II, IV & V · Reggae Song Lyrics · Texture and Layers · Texture – Melody, Chords and Bass line · Repetition

**All That Jazz**

Ostinato, Riffs Fills & Solos · Swing/Swung Rhythms · Improvisation · Blues Scale (C F G C) · Chord Vamps · Chords I, IV & V and I7, IV7 & V7 (I IV V / I7 IV7 V7) · Types and Styles of Jazz · Blues Songs Lyrics

### VARIATIONS

Blues Song Structure AAB · Blues Chord Sequence (I I I I / IV IV I I / V IV I V) · 12-Bar Blues · Inversion Retrograde · Major & Minor · Canon Round · Ground Bass · Variation Form

### Offbeat

Creating a Reggae Arrangement · Hooks and Bass Line Riffs · Syncopation Off Beats · Treble & Bass Clefs · Ostinato

**hooks and riffs**

Hooks – Melodic, Rhythmic & Verbal · Riffs

**YEAR 8**

**Form and Structure**

Ternary Form (ABA) · Rondo Form (ABACADA..) · Binary Form (AB) · Q&A/Call & Response Phrases · Texture - Melody, Drone and Ostinato · Treble Clef Pitch Notation

### Sonority City

String Instruments · Woodwind Instruments · Brass Instruments · Timbre and Sonority · Performing as an Orchestral Ensemble · Percussion Instruments

### FOLK MUSIC

Harmony: Intervals · Folk Song Accompaniments: Pedal, Drone, Ostinato, Alberti Bass, Broken Chord, Arpeggio, · Chords as an Accompaniment: Keyboard, Guitar, Ukulele · Instruments of Folk Music · Creating a Folk Song Arrangement · Notation – Lead Sheets

**I've Got Rhythm**

Simple Time Signatures 2/4 3/4 4/4 · Rhythm Grid Notation · Ostinato · Cyclic and Polyrhythms · Note Durations · Pulse/Beat

### KEYBOARD SKILLS

Sharps and Flats · Treble Clef Staff Notation · Christmas Performance · Melody and Chords (Triads) · Technique

### BUILDING BRICKS

Baseline Assessments (Listening, Performing & Composing) · Graphic Notation & Graphic Scores · The Elements of Music (Pitch, Duration, Texture, Silence, Sonority, Articulation, Timbre, Tempo, Dynamics)

**YEAR 7**

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