Knowledge Organiser – Let Your Spirit Fly – Year 3, Unit 1

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1 – Listen & Appraise: Let Your Spirit Fly (RnB)

Structure: Introduction, verse, chorus.

Instruments/voices you can hear: Male and female voices, bass, drums, guitar, keyboard, synthesizer.

Find the pulse as you are listening: Dance, clap, sway, march, be an animal or a pop star.

2 – Musical Activities using glocks and/or recorders

Warm-up games play and copy back using up to 2 notes – C + D.
Bronze: no notes | Silver: C, sometimes D | Gold: C + D challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?

Singing in 2 parts.

Play instrumental parts with the song by ear and/or from notation using the easy or medium part. You will be using up to 3 notes – C, D + E.
Which part did you play?

Improvise using up to 3 notes – C, D + E.
Bronze: C | Silver: C, sometimes D | Gold: C, D + E challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?

Compose a simple melody using simple rhythms choosing from the notes C, D + E or C, D, E, F + G.

3 — Perform & Share

Decide how your class will introduce the performance. Perhaps add some funky dance moves? Tell your audience how you learnt this song and why. Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

The performance will include one or more of the following:
Improvisations • Instrumental performances • Compositions

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About this Unit

Theme: RnB and other musical styles.

Facts/info: RnB is a mixture of Soul, Hip Hop and Gospel music. Other RnB singers include Beyoncé, Usher, Rihanna and Stevie Wonder.

Listen to 4 other songs/pieces:

- Colonel Bogey March by Kenneth Alford (Film)
- Consider Yourself from the musical 'Oliver!' (Musicals)
- Ain't No Mountain High Enough by Marvin Gaye (Motown)
- You're The First, The Last, My Everything by Barry White (Soul)

Vocabulary: Structure, introduction, verse, chorus, improvise, compose, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics bass, drums, guitar, keyboard, synthesizer, hook, melody

Reflection

What did you like best about this Unit? Why? Was there anything you didn't enjoy about it? Why?

Did you have any strong feelings about it? Were you proud of yourself, happy or annoyed?

What are the 'style indicators' of RnB music?
How do you know this is RnB music?

Knowledge Organiser – Glockenspiel Stage 1 – Year 3, Unit 2

1 – Musical Activities using glocks

Learn to play and read the notes C, D, E + F.

Learn to play these tunes:

- Easy E
- Strictly D
- Play Your Music
- Drive
- Dee Cee's Blues
- What's Up
- D-E-F-initely
- Roundabout
- March of the Golden Guards
- Portsmouth

Improvise with Dee Cee's Blues using the notes C + D.

Compose using the notes C, D, E + F.

2 – Perform & Share

Decide how your class will introduce the performance. Tell your audience how you learnt the music and why. Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

The performance will include one or more of the following:
Improvisations • Instrumental performances • Compositions

About this Unit

Theme: Exploring and developing playing skills using the glockenspiel.

Vocabulary: Improvise, compose, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, texture structure, melody

Reflection

What did you like best about this Unit? Why? Was there anything you didn't enjoy about it? Why?

Did you have any strong feelings about it? Were you proud of yourself, happy or annoyed?

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Knowledge Organiser – Three Little Birds – Year 3, Unit 3

1 – Listen & Appraise: Three Little Birds (Reggae)

Structure: Introduction, chorus, verse, chorus, verse, chorus, chorus, chorus.

Instruments/voices you can hear: Bass, drums, electric guitar, keyboard, organ, male and backing vocals.

Find the pulse as you are listening: Dance, clap, sway, march, be an animal or a pop star.

2 – Musical Activities using glocks and/or recorders

Warm-up games play and copy back using up to 2 notes – C + D.
Bronze: no notes | Silver: C, sometimes D | Gold: C + D challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?

Singing in unison.

Play instrumental parts with the song by ear and/or from notation using the easy or medium part. You will be using up to 3 notes – C, D + E. *Which part did you play?*

Improvise using up to 3 notes – C, D + E.
Bronze: C | Silver: C + D | Gold: C, D + E challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?

Compose a simple melody using simple rhythms choosing from the notes C, D + E or C, D, E, F + G.

3 — Perform & Share

Decide how your class will introduce the performance. Perhaps add some choreography? Tell your audience how you learnt this song and why. Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

The performance will include one or more of the following:
Improvisations • Instrumental performances • Compositions

About this Unit

Themes: Reggae, happiness and animals.

Facts/info: Bob Marley is one of the most famous performers of Roots Reggae music. He has helped spread both Jamaican music and the Rastafari movement worldwide.

Listen to 5 other reggae songs:

- Jamming by Bob Marley
- Small People by Ziggy Marley
- 54-46 Was My Number by Toots and The Maytals
- Ram Goat Liver by Pluto Shervington
- Our Day Will Come by Amy Winehouse

Vocabulary: Introduction, verse, chorus, bass, drums, electric guitar, keyboard, organ, backing vocals, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, texture structure, compose, improvise, hook, riff, melody, reggae

Reflection

What did you like best about this Unit? Why? Was there anything you didn't enjoy about it? Why?

Did you have any strong feelings about it? Were you proud of yourself, happy or annoyed?

What are the 'style indicators' of Reggae music?
How do you know this is Reggae music?

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Knowledge Organiser – The Dragon Song — Year 3, Unit 4

1 – Listen and Appraise: The Dragon Song

Themes: Kindness, respect, friendship, acceptance and happiness.

Instruments/voices you can hear: Keyboard, drums, bass, a female singer.

Do the words of the song tell a story? *Does the music create a story in your imagination? What story?*

2 – Musical Activities using glocks and/or recorders

Warm-up games play and copy back using up to 3 notes – G + A.
Bronze: no notes | Silver: G, sometimes A | Gold: G + A challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?

Singing in 2 parts.

Play instrumental parts with the song by ear and/or from notation using the easy or medium part. You will be using up to 3 notes – G, A + B. *Which part did you play?*

Improvise using up to 3 notes – G, A + B.
Bronze: G | Silver: G + A | Gold: G, A + B challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?

Compose a simple melody using simple rhythms choosing from the notes G, A + B or D, E, G, A + B. (Pentatonic scale)

3 – Perform & Share

Decide how you going to perform this song. It tells an important story. Tell your audience how you learnt this song and why. Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

The performance will include one or more of the following:
Improvisations • Instrumental performances • Compositions

About this Unit

Themes: Traditional Folk tunes from around the world, celebrating our differences and being kind to one another.

Facts/info: This song tells the story of Lesley the Dragon who flies around the world in search of friendship. Think about the issues of kindness, respect, friendship, acceptance and happiness. Use your imaginations to create your own performance of the song.

Listen to 5 folk melodies from around the world:

- Birdsong – Chinese Folk Music
- Vaishnava Java – A Hindu Song
- A Turkish Traditional Tune
- Aitutaki Drum Dance from Polynesia
- Zebaidir Song from Sudan

Vocabulary: Keyboard, drums, bass, pentatonic scale, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, texture structure, compose, improvise, hook, melody

Reflection

This song will help you to think about many things, including the respect we must have for each other and the environment.

What did you like best about this Unit? Why? Was there anything you didn't enjoy about it? Why?

Did you have any strong feelings about it? Were you proud of yourself, happy or annoyed?

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Knowledge Organiser – Bringing Us Together – Year 3, Unit 5

1 – Listen and Appraise: Bringing Us Together (Disco)

Find the pulse as you are listening: Dance, clap, sway, march, be an animal or a pop star.

Instruments/voices you can hear: Keyboard, drums, bass, a female singer.

Do the words of the song tell a story? *Does the music create a story in your imagination? What story?*

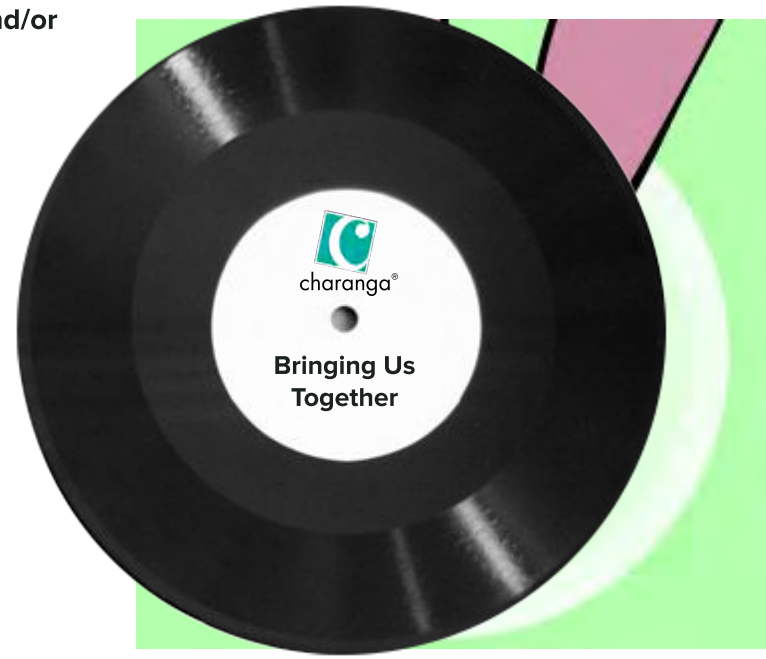
2 – Musical Activities using glocks and/or recorders

Warm-up games play and copy back using up to 3 notes – C + A.
Bronze: no notes | Silver: C + A | Gold: C + A Challenge. *Which challenge did you get to?*

Singing in 2 parts.

Play instrumental parts with the song by ear and/or from notation using the easy or medium part. You will be using up to 3 notes – C, A + G.
Which part did you play?

Improvise using up to 2 notes – C + A.
Bronze: C | Silver: C, and sometimes A | Gold: C + A challenge.
Which challenge did you get to?



Compose a simple melody using simple rhythms choosing from the notes C, A + G or C, D, E, G + A. (Pentatonic scale)

3 – Perform & Share

Decide how you going to perform this song. It tells an important story. Tell your audience how you learnt this song and why. Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

The performance will include one or more of the following:
Improvisations • Instrumental performances • Compositions

About this Unit

Theme: This is a Disco song about friendship, peace, hope and unity.

Facts/Info: Disco music includes strong drum and bass lines. It has quite a fast tempo with a steady dance groove and energetic electric guitar lines. Disco first appeared in the 1970s in New York.

Listen to 5 other disco songs

- Good Times by Nile Rodgers
- Ain't Nobody by Chaka Khan
- We Are Family by Sister Sledge
- Ain't No Stopping Us Now by McFadden and Whitehead
- Car Wash by Rose Royce

Vocabulary: Keyboard, drums, bass, imagination, improvise, compose, disco, pentatonic scale, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, texture structure, hook, riff, melody

Reflection

What did you like best about this Unit? Why? Was there anything you didn't enjoy about it? Why?

Did you have any strong feelings about it? Were you proud of yourself, happy or annoyed?

What are the 'style indicators' of Disco music?
How do you know this is Disco music?

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