



Music Vocabulary Progression

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| Early Years | Action, beat, clap, listen, instrument, join in, loud, melody, pulse, quiet, rhythm, scratchy, sing, smooth, sound, speed, tempo, texture, volume, pluck, hit, blow, shake |
| Year 1 | Pulse, rhythm, pitch, rap, improvise, compose, melody, perform, singers, loud, softly, quiet, percussion, pulse, rhythm, pitch, groove, audience, imagination, tradition, lyrics, samba, national anthem, plucking, banging, shaking, blowing |
| Year 2 | Keyboard, drums, bass, electric guitar, saxophone, trumpet, pulse, rhythm, pitch, improvise, compose, audience, question and answer, melody, dynamics, tempo, perform/ performance, audience, glockenspiel, yodelling |
| Year 3 | Structure, intro/ introduction, verse, chorus, improvise, compose, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, hook, melody, texture, structure, hook, riff, melody, pentatonic scale, imagination, sound score, notation |
| Year 4 | Keyboard, electric guitar, bass, drums, improvise, compose, melody, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, texture, structure, compose, improvise, hook, riff, melody, solo, pentatonic scale, unison, rhythm patterns, musical style, rapping, lyrics, choreography, digital/electronic sounds, turntables, synthesizers, by ear, notation, backing vocal, piano, organ, acoustic guitar, percussion |
| Year 5 | backbeat, amplifier, chorus, bridge, riff, hook, improvise, compose, appraising, structure, tune/head, note values, note names, pulse, rhythm, solo, ballad, verse, interlude, strings, piano, guitar, bass, drums, melody, cover, backing loops, unison, melody, cover, pitch, tempo, dynamics, timbre, texture, bass line, brass section, harmony, melody, synthesizer, music software, soul, groove, rap, hip-hop, harmony |
| Year 6 | Style indicators, melody, compose, improvise, cover, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, timbre, texture, structure, dimensions of music, Neo Soul, producer, groove, Motown, hook, riff, solo, Blues, Jazz, improvise/improvisation, by ear, melody, riff, solo, ostinato, phrases, unison, Urban Gospel, civil rights, gender equality, unison, graphic scores, bar lines, staves |