



Y3 Thinking like a Musician

Summer 1 - Playing In A Band


What Stories Does Music Tell Us About the Past?

Playing together in a band is fun and exciting! Try to read the notation of one of the easy instrumental parts when playing together in this unit. In music, the steady beat is organised by time signatures which tell us how many beats there are in each bar. What are the time signatures of the music you are playing? When people sing or use instruments to play two or more different pitches that sound at the same time, we can hear harmony in music. Explore singing and playing instruments together to create these beautiful sounds.

Understanding Music

Tempo:	Andante — at a walking pace (104bpm)
Time signature:	2/4 — there are two crotchet beats in a bar
Key signature:	C major — there are no sharps or flats in the key signature
Rhythmic patterns using:	Minims, crotchets and quavers

Improvise Together

Time signature:	2/4
Key signature:	C major
Notes:	C, D, E, G, A 

SONG 1
Love What We Do
Style: Disco

Time signature: 4/4 — there are four crotchet beats in a bar

Key signature: C major — there are no sharps or flats in the key signature



Circle the part you played:

- Part 1: C, D, E, F, G, B
(Recorder): C, D, E, F, G
- Part 2: C, D, E, F, G, B
(Recorder): G, A, B, C
- Part 3: C, D, E, F, G, B
(Recorder): G, A, B, C
- Part 4: C
(Recorder): G

Circle the notes you improvised with:

C, D, E, G, A

SONG 2
When The Saints Go Marchin' In
Style: New Orleans Jazz

Time signature: 4/4 — there are four crotchet beats in a bar

Key signature: G major — there is one sharp in the key signature



Circle the part you played:

- Part 1: G, A, B, C, D, E
- Part 2: G, A, B, C, D
- Part 3: G, A, D
(Recorder): G, A, B
- Part 4: G
(Recorder): G, A

Circle the notes you improvised with:

G, A, B, D, E

SONG 3
My Bonnie Lies Over The Ocean
Style: Folk: Sea Shanty

Time signature: 3/4 — there are three crotchet beats in a bar

12/8 in the activity section — there are four dotted crotchet beats in a bar

Key signature: F major — there is one flat in the key signature



Circle the part you played:

- Part 1: C, D, E, F, G, A
- Part 2: C, D, E, F, G, A
(Recorder): F, G, A
- Part 3: C, D, E, F, G, A
(Recorder): F, G, A
- Part 4: F