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|  | Vocabulary | Meaning |
| EYFS | high  instruments  loud  low  perform  quiet  songs  volume | High pitch sounding notes.  Musical instruments that can be played.  Loud volume.  Low pitch sounding notes.  Playing or singing in front of people.  Quiet volume.  Lyrics or rhymes that people sing.  The volume instruments are played at. |
| KS1 | a cappella  beat  duet  duration  improvisation  melody  pitch  rhythm  solo | To sing, individually or as a group, unaccompanied (without any instruments).  The steady timing in a piece of music (what you might clap along to). Also see pulse.  A piece of music or song that is performed by two people.  The length of a sound or piece of music  When a piece, or a part of a piece of music is made up on the spot by one or more musicians.  A sequence of notes (a tune).  Pitch is how high or low a sound is.  A pattern of long and short notes (like the pattern of words in a song).  A section or piece of music or song performed by one person. |
| LKS2 | adagio  allegro  andante  bars  crotchet  crotchet rest  dynamics  forte  minim  minim rest  ostinato  piano  pulse  quaver  rest  semibreve  semibreve rest  tempo | To be played slowly.  Performed quickly and happily.  Performed at medium speed.  The way in which written music is divided up (a bit like musical sentences).  A symbol used in written music notation that represents a note that lasts for one beat.  A pause that lasts for one beat.  The loudness or softness at which musicians play a section or piece of music.  Performed loudly.  A written note that lasts for two beats.  A pause that lasts for two beats.  A repeated rhythm or phrase.  Not just the instrument! Used in written music to mean play quietly.  The steady beat in a piece of music (what you might clap along to) can be referred to as the pulse.  In written music, a symbol used to show a note that lasts for half a beat.  A pause where no notes are played or held.  A symbol used in written music to show a note that lasts for four beats.  A symbol used in written music to show a pause that lasts for four beats.  The speed at which a piece or section of music is played. |
| UKS2 | bass clef  chord  flat  harmony  key  octave  sharp  staccato  stave  time signature  treble clef | A sign on a piece of written music. On piano music, it identifies the notes to be played with the left hand.  Three or more notes (pitches) played together at the same time.  In written music, a flat lowers the pitch of a note by half a step.  Two or more notes (pitches) played or sung together.  A series of notes around which pieces of music and songs are written.  A range of eight whole notes, for example: Middle C, D, E, F, G, A, B, C.  In written music, this mark heightens the pitch of a note by half a step.  A short note or notes played sharply where the sound is not allowed to ring out.  The five lines that musical notes are written on.  Used in written music, the time signature explains how many beats there are in a bar.  A sign on a piece of music. On piano music, it shows the notes to be played with the right hand. |