

Year 3 (Term 3) Composing - Music Unit Overview

Make up your own tune that has
never been heard before, using 1 or 2
notes confidently.

Help to create a melody with 1, 3 or 5 different notes.

Plan and create a section of music.

Listen and reflect upon developing composition and make musical decisions about pulse, rhythm, pitch, dynamics and tempo

Unit Overview

Lesson 2 To know how to rap.

Lesson 3 To compose a rap - children will begin to compose their own verse.

Lesson 4 To compose a rap - children will continue to compose their own verse.

Lesson 5 | To perform the song/rap.

End Point | To perform the song/rap.

Stop! A song/rap about bullying.



Pulse – the regular heartbeat of the music; its steady beat.

Rhythm – long and short sounds or patterns that happen over the pulse.

Pitch – high and low sounds.

Tempo – the speed of the music; fast or slow or in-between.

Dynamics – how loud or quiet the music is.

Timbre – all instruments, including voices, have a certain sound quality e.g. the trumpet has a very different sound quality to the violin.

Texture – layers of sound. Layers of sound working together make music very interesting to listen to.

Structure – every piece of music has a structure e.g. an introduction, verse and chorus ending.