

Year 5

Composition notation (Theme: Ancient Egypt)

Based on the theme of Ancient Egypt, children learn to identify the pitch and rhythm of written notes and experiment with notating their compositions, developing their understanding of staff notation.

Lessons: 5

[View lessons](#)

Blues

Children are introduced to this famous genre of music and its history, and learn to identify the key features and mood of Blues music and its importance and purpose. They also get to grips with the 12-bar Blues and the Blues scale, and combine these to create an improvised piece with a familiar, repetitive backing.

Lessons: 5

[View lessons](#)

South and West Africa

Children learn 'Shosholoza', a traditional South African song, play the accompanying chords using tuned percussion and learn to play the djembe. They will also learn a traditional West African drum and add some dance moves ready to perform the song in its entirety.

Lessons: 5

[View lessons](#)

Composition to represent the festival of colour (Theme: Holi festival)

Exploring the associations between music, sounds and colour; composing and performing their own musical composition to represent Holi, the Hindu festival of colour that celebrates the beginning of spring and the triumph over good and evil.

Lessons: 5

[View lessons](#)

Looping and remixing

In this engaging topic, children learn about how dance music is created, focusing particularly on the use of loops.

Lessons: 5

[View lessons](#)

Musical theatre

Children are introduced to musical theatre, learning how singing, acting and dancing can be combined to give an overall performance.

Lessons: 5

[View lessons](#)