



How to plan and prepare for Music

In Music you are assessed on your performance, composition and listening skills. Effective **rehearsal** and revision is the key to doing well and achieving the highest possible grade.

These listed strategies are supported by educational research, and are designed to enable you to engage with activities which result in successful outcomes.

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upload

“Uploading” information in music comes from listening and evaluating the music which will inspire your playing or composing. This might mean listening to a song and noticing how they use the elements of music (eg. pitch, tempo, dynamics, structure, texture) or it may mean watching examples or tutorials showing how to play an instrument or compose.

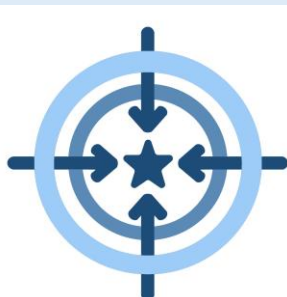
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process

Processing information in music is all about practice! By repeating a skill, eg. Playing a melody on the piano, we get more confident and refine the physical skills needed to play confidently and fluently. You should practice slowly, gradually building up speed as you get more confident.

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download

Performance is a great way to develop your practical skills as well as building confidence. “Downloading” in music refers to when you play your performance or composition piece to others and get feedback on how to improve in the future.