

Section 1 The elements of music

M A D T S H I R T

MELODY
A tune

ARTICULATION
How each note is played

DYNAMICS
Loud and soft

TIME & TEMPO
Time = how many beats in a bar
Tempo = fast and slow

STRUCTURE
The sections in the music

HARMONY
How notes fit together

INSTRUMENTS
Families of instruments

RHYTHM
A pattern made from long and short notes

TEXTURE
The different layers in a piece of music

Section 2 Pitch names

FACE in the space
F A C E

Middle C

Section 3 Note lengths

Note	Rest	Name	Beats
		semibreve	4
		dotted minim	3
		minim	2
		crotchet	1
		quaver	1/2
		semiquaver	1/4

key signature

treble clef

music staff




time signature

Stave notations

- bar line - separate sections or 'bars' of music
- bar - sections in-between bar lines
- double bar line - end of a section
- bold double bar line - end of a piece

Section 4 Instruments of the orchestra

An orchestra is made up of four sections: Strings, Woodwind, Brass and Percussion.

<u>Strings</u>	<u>Woodwind</u>	<u>Brass</u>	<u>Percussion</u>
Violin Viola Cello Double Bass	Flute Oboe Clarinet Bassoon	Trumpet French horn Trombone Tuba	Timpani Marimba Bass drum Cymbals
			

Section 5

Tempo

Describes the speed of the music.

Lento-Slow
Andante -At a walking pace
Allegro -Fast

Dynamics

Describes the volume of the music

<i>mp</i>	mezzo piano medium quiet	<	crescendo getting louder
<i>p</i>	piano quiet	<i>ff</i>	fortissimo very loud
<i>pp</i>	pianissimo very quiet	<i>f</i>	forte loud
>	diminuendo getting quieter	<i>mf</i>	mezzo forte medium loud

Major tonality

Sounds bright and happy.

Minor tonality

Sounds sad and dark.

Scale

Eight notes in a key of music that move up and down by step.

Chord

Two or more notes played at the same time.

Chord sequence

The order of the chords from a given key.

Section 6

Different voices have different itches (high or low).
In choral music (sung music), these are called **SATB**.

Soprano -the highest singing voice

Alto -the second highest singing voice

Tenor -the second lowest singing voice

Bass -the lowest singing voice

There are many different styles of song including, spirituals, blues, rock and roll and pop.

Songs can be sung in unison (everyone singing the same part), in a round (the same part is sung but in a different order) or in harmony (there are two or more groups of people singing different parts at the same time).