# **ELEMENTS OF MUSIC**

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#### Group 1: Melody

1. Search information about melody. You can go to the following websites.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Melody

http://historyofmusic.tripod.com/id6.html

http://www.musiclisteningrevision.co.uk/Access3/L\_found\_melodic.htm

http://www.musiclisteningrevision.co.uk/intermediate1/L general melodic.htm

- 2. Find out the following concepts related to melody (key words)
- ✓ Melodic curve, line, contour or shape
- ✓ Steps (conjunct motion) and leaps (skips)
- ✓ Wide range, narrow range
- ✓ Phrases, cadences (incompletes and completes), themes, motif
- ✓ Riff or repetition
- ✓ Question and answer
- ✓ Sequence
- ✓ Scales: minor and major
- ✓ Treatment of the music in different periods and styles of music.
- 3. Write the definition essay (approximately 500 words) making sure that the structure and the content is clear. You can add **visuals, scores** and **examples of music** to hear in class. Add a conclusion and an introduction.

## Structures that you can use:

Introducing: Let's start with... To begin with, let's look at

**Defining**: We can define melody as ...., When...... is called melody, Melody refers to .....

**Describing features:** There are some types of melody according to its.... A melody's range is.... This kind of melody is called...

**Generalising**: Generally speaking...; On the whole, ...; ......tends.....; Typically,...; By and large..; may/might/could.....; Often/frequently/sometimes/usually ...;

**Changing of topic or idea** *Having looked at....* , We would now like to move on to... We would like to focus on...

#### **Linking connectors**

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	to Before finishing with a demonstration of some examples.			
1.3	Answering questions:			
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- ✓ Speak clearly
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#### Group 2: Harmony

- 1. Search information about Harmony. You can go to the following websites.
- √ <a href="http://historyofmusic.tripod.com/id6.html">http://historyofmusic.tripod.com/id6.html</a>
- √ <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harmony">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harmony</a>
- ✓ <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chord sequence">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chord sequence</a>
- ✓ <a href="http://www.musiclisteningrevision.co.uk/intermediate1/L general harm\_rhythm.htm">http://www.musiclisteningrevision.co.uk/intermediate1/L general harm\_rhythm.htm</a>
  <a href="ningrevision.co.uk/Access3/L">ningrevision.co.uk/Access3/L</a> found harmonic.htm
- √ http://cnx.org/content/m11654/latest/
- 2. Find out the following concepts related to Harmony (key words):
- ✓ Chord and types of chords: triads, tonic, subdominant and dominant, broken...
- √ Chord progressions
- ✓ Consonance, dissonance and resolution
- ✓ Key or tonality
- ✓ Modulation (change of key)
- ✓ Harmonic rhythm
- ✓ Vamp
- ✓ Drone
- 3. Write the definition essay (approximately 500 words) making sure that the structure and the content is clear. You can add **visuals, scores** and **examples of music** to hear in class. Add a conclusion and an introduction.

#### Structures that you can use:

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**Defining**: We can define harmony as ...., When...... is called harmony, Harmony refers to .....

**Describing features:** There are some types of chords according to its.. This kind of chord is called...

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#### Group 3: Rhythm

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http://www.musiclisteningrevision.co.uk/intermediate1/L general harm rhythm.htm

- 2. Find out the following concepts related to rhythm (key words)
- ✓ beat
- ✓ meter and its types (duple, triple, quadruple....)
- ✓ on the beat, off the beat
- √ accent and syncopation
- √ tempo (accelerando)
- ✓ rallentando, ritardando, rubato
- √ measure
- 3. Write the definition essay (approximately 500 words) making sure that the structure and the content is clear. You can add **visuals**, **scores** and **examples of music** to hear in class. Add a conclusion and an introduction.

#### Structures that you can use:

**Introducing:** Let's start with... To begin with, let's look at

**Defining**: We can define rhythm as ...., When...... is called rhythm, Rhythm refers to ...... **Describing features:** There are some types of meters according to its. This kind of tempo is called...

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## Group 4: Texture and Dynamics

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- ✓ <a href="http://historyofmusic.tripod.com/id6.html">http://historyofmusic.tripod.com/id6.html</a>
- ✓ <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texture">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texture</a> %28music%29
- √ http://cnx.org/content/m11645/latest/
- √ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dynamics %28music%29
- √ http://cnx.org/content/m11649/latest/
- 2. Find out the following concepts related to Texture and Dynamics (key words):
- ✓ Types of texture: monophonic, Biphonic, homophonic, homorhythmic, heterophonic and polyphonic
- ✓ Use of the textures through the history of music.
- ✓ Types of dynamics symbols: relative loudness, gradual changes, sudden changes
- ✓ Accents
- ✓ Dynamics in the history.
- 3. Write the definition essay (approximately 500 words) making sure that the structure and the content is clear. You can add **visuals, scores** and **examples of music** to hear in class. Add a conclusion and an introduction

#### Structures that you can use:

**Introducing:** Let's start with... To begin with, let's look at

**Defining**: We can define texture as ...., When...... is called dynamics , Dynamics refers to ......

**Describing features:** There are some types of textures according to .. This kind of texture is called...

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#### Group 5: Timbre

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- √ <a href="http://cnx.org/content/m11059/latest/">http://cnx.org/content/m11059/latest/</a>
- √ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timbre
- √ <a href="http://cnx.org/content/m11645/latest/">http://cnx.org/content/m11645/latest/</a>
- ✓ <a href="http://www.essortment.com/all/elementsmusic rllc.htm">http://www.essortment.com/all/elementsmusic rllc.htm</a>
- ✓ http://www.musiclisteningrevision.co.uk/intermediate2/clearn\_timbre.htm
- 2. Find out the following concepts related to timbre (key words):
- √ Families of instruments
- ✓ Instrumental groups (band jazz, orchestra...)
- ✓ Attack
- ✓ Articulation
- ✓ Terms as: con sordino, glissando, double stopping, flutter tonguing, pizzicato, col legno, arco, tremolando...
- ✓ Legato, Stacatto, Blowing, bowing, Plucking, striking, strumming...
- √ Harmonics
- ✓ Words used to describe timbre
- 3. Write the definition essay (approximately 500 words) making sure that the structure and the content is clear. You can add **visuals, scores** and **examples of music** to hear in class. Add a conclusion and an introduction

#### Structures that you can use:

**Introducing:** Let's start with... To begin with, let's look at

**Defining**: We can define timbre as ...., When...... is called timbre, Timbre refers to .....

**Describing features:** There are some types of attacks according to .. This kind of articulation is called...

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# Activity 9. Group evaluation: oral presentation.

In groups. listen <b>very</b> carefully to the oral presentations of your partners and assess them. Fill in this peer evaluation questionnaire.
Your names:
Name of the students of the group that is doing the presentation:
1- 2- 3- 4-

GROUP PRESENTATION	YES	NO	COMMENTS
Does each member of the team present a part of the project?			
Is the presentation clear and complete?			
METHODOLOGY			
Do you think it is an interesting presentation?			
The support material (music, and visual) was appropriate and useful to understand the concepts?			
GROUP ASSESSMENT	Mark:		

# Individual evaluation: oral presentation.

INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION				_ +/-	+	++
Clear articulation and pronunciation	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3					
	Name student 4:					
Expressive voice	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3					
	Name student 4:					
Appropriate intonation	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3					
	Name student 4:					
Appropriate speed	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3:					
	Name student 4:					
Appropriate pauses	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3:					
	Name student 4:					
Correct memorization	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3					
	Name student 4:					
Fluidity in reciting	Name student 1:					
	Name student 2:					
	Name student 3:					
	Name Student 4:					
Strong points of each one:		Weak points of each one:				
Individual assessment						
Name Student		Mark				

# Self assessment

		the mark of your group in the PIGEOMETRE  10
My gr	oup's mark 1	<b>&gt;</b> 10
a)	What do you think were your strong points?	points? What do you think were your weak
	My strong points	My weak points
	<b>1</b> .	1.
	2.	<b>2</b> .
	<b>3</b> .	<b>3</b> .
My	groups 's strong points	My group 's weak points
1	···	<b>1</b> .
	<b>!.</b>	<b>2</b> .
3	3.	<b>3</b> .
b)	What did you learn about elements of m	•
d)	What did you learn about preparing and	doing a presentation in English?