



Danson Primary School – Music – Improvisation Knowledge & Skills Progression										
	Listen and Appraise	Games	Singing	Playing	Improvisation	Composition	Performance			
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
Knowledge	-Improvisation is about making up your songs.	-Improvisation is about making up your own tunes on the spotWhen someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to them.	-Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spotWhen someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to themEveryone can improvise, and you can use one or two notes.	To know and be able to talk about improvisation: - Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot - When someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to them -To know that using one or two notes confidently is better than using five -To know that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake	To know and be able to talk about improvisation: -Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot - When someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to themTo know that using one or two notes confidently is better than using five -To know that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake -To know that you can use some of the riffs you have heard in the Challenges in your improvisations	To know and be able to talk about improvisation: - Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot - When someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to themTo know that using one or two notes confidently is better than using five -To know that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake -To know that you can use some of the riffs you have heard in the Challenges in your improvisations -To know three well-known improvising musicians	To know and be able to talk about improvisation: - Improvisation is making up your own tunes on the spot - When someone improvises, they make up their own tune that has never been heard before. It is not written down and belongs to themTo know that using one, two or three notes confidently is better than using five -To know that if you improvise using the notes you are given, you cannot make a mistake -To know that you can use some of the riffs and licks you have learnt in the Challenges in your improvisations -To know three well-known improvising musicians			
Skills	-Create their own songs or improvise a song around one they know.	-Use the improvisation tracks provided. Improvise using the three challenges:	-Use the improvisation tracks provided. Improvise using the three challenges:	Bronze Challenge: -Copy Back – Listen and sing back -Play and Improvise – Using instruments,	-Listen and sing back melodic patterns -Using instruments, listen and play your	-Copy back using instruments. Use one note.	-Copy back using instrumentsUse one noteUse the two notes.			





	-Explore, use and	1. Clap and Improvise	1. Clap and Improvise	listen and play your	own answer using	-Copy back using	-Use the three
	refine a variety of	<ul> <li>Listen and clap</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Listen and clap back,</li> </ul>	own answer using	one note.	instruments. Use the	notesQuestion
	artistic effects to	back, then listen and	then listen and clap	one note.	- Take it in turns to	two notes.	and Answer using
	express their ideas	clap your own	your own answer	-Improvise! – Take it	improvise using one	-Use the three notes.	instrumentsUse
	and feelings.	answer (rhythms of	(rhythms of words).	in turns to improvise	noteListen and	<ul><li>– Question and</li></ul>	one note in your
		words).	2. Sing, Play and	using one note.	copy back using	Answer using	answer.
		2. Sing, Play and	Improvise – Use	Silver Challenge:	instruments, using	instruments.	-Always start on a G.
		Improvise – Use	voices and	-Sing, Play and Copy	two different notes.	-Use one note in	-Use three notes in
		voices and	instruments, listen	Back – Listen and	-Using your	your answer.	your answer
		instruments, listen	and sing back, then	copy back using	instruments, listen	-Use two notes in	Improvise using one
		and sing back, then	listen and play your	instruments, using	and play your own	your answer.	note.
		listen and play your	own answer using one	two different notes.	answer using one or	-Always start on a G.	-Improvise using two
		own answer using	or two notes.	-Play and Improvise	two notes.	You will be using up	notes.
		one or two notes.	3. Improvise! – Take it	– Using your	-Take it in turns to	to three notes.	-Improvise using
		3. Improvise! – Take	in turns to improvise	instruments, listen	improvise using one	-Improvise with a	three notes.
		it in turns to	using one or two	and play your own	or two notes.	feeling for the style	-Improvise with a
		improvise using one	notes.	answer using one or	-Listen and copy	of Bossa Nova and	feeling for the style
		or two notes.		two notes	back using	Swing using the	of Bossa Nova and
				Improvise! – Take it	instruments, two	notes D, E, G, A + B	Swing using the
				in turns to improvise	different notes.	(pentatonic scale/a	notes D, E, G, A + B
				using one or two	-Using your	five-note pattern)	(pentatonic scale/a
				notes.	instruments, listen		five-note pattern)
				Gold Challenge:	and play your own		
				-Sing, Play and Copy	answer using two		
				Back – Listen and	different notes.		
				copy back using	-Take it in turns to		
				instruments, two	improvise using		
				different notes.	three different		
				-Play and Improvise	notes.		
				– Using your			
				instruments, listen			
				and play your own			
				answer using two			
				different notes			
				Improvise! – Take it			
				in turns to improvise			
				using three different			
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Vocabulary	EYFS Vocabulary List	Year 1 Vocabulary List	Year 2 Vocabulary List	Year 3 Vocabulary List	Year 4 Vocabulary List	Year 5 Vocabulary List	Year 6 Vocabulary List
	(Pg2)	(Pg3)	(Pg5)	(Pg7)	(Pg9)	(Pg11)	(Pg13)