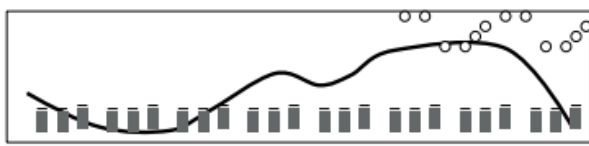
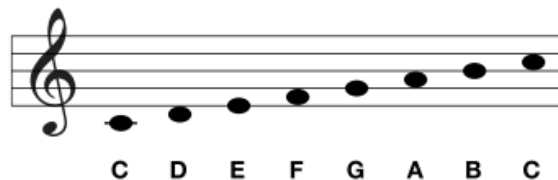


Key Vocabulary

- Crescendo** - When the music gets gradually louder.
- Pentatonic** - A scale made up of five notes.


Notation - The way that music is written so that others can play it.

Graphic score - 

Staff and letter notation - 
C D E F G A B C

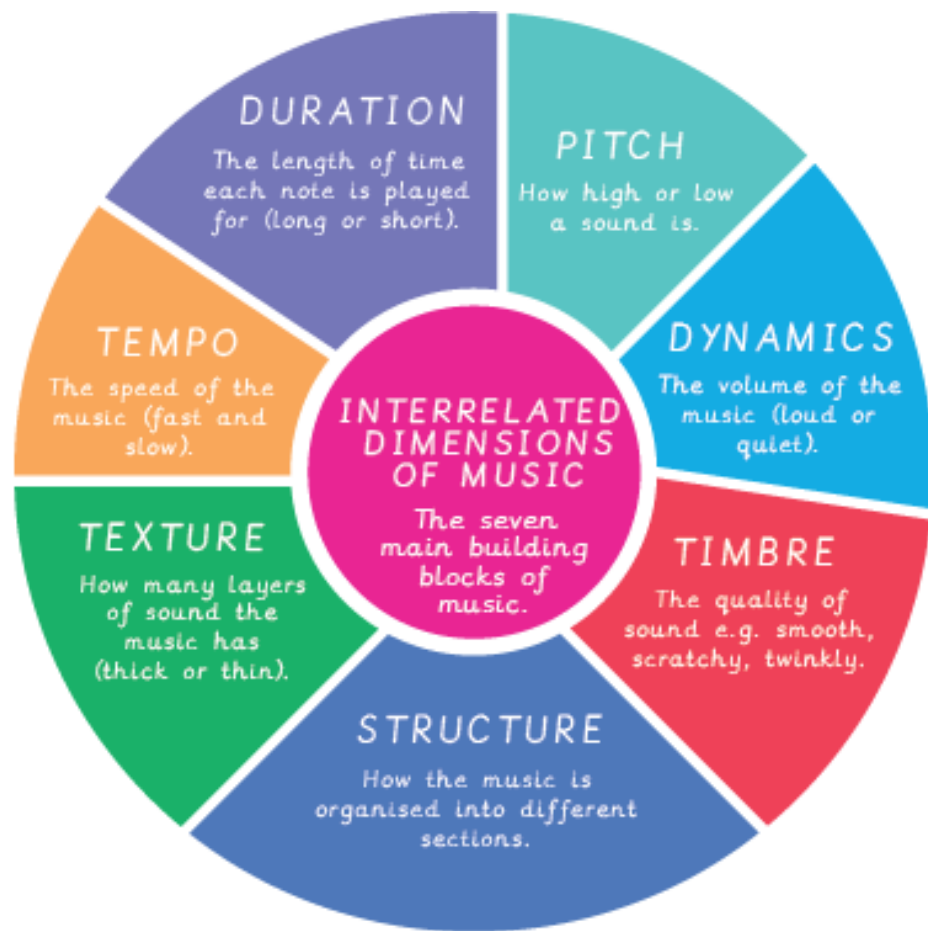
Musical notation helps us to 'write' and 'read' the melodies so they won't be forgotten and can be played by others.

Musical Style: Chinese Folk Music



Traditional folk music of China. As with most folk music, we often do not know who wrote these songs and they have been passed onto generations by people singing them.

Musical Elements



Performance Tips - F A C E

- Fluency** - Reducing hesitation.
- Accuracy** - Getting the melody right.
- Control** - Instrumental technique.
- Expression** - Giving a personal response to the music.

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Jasmine Flower - Violin melody.

Dragon Dance

The Story of Nian

Gong Xi is a very common song that is sung around Lunar New Year in China. I often hear it played on the streets or as background music in shopping malls. It's one of those songs that "gets you into the spirit" of Chinese New Year, much like a certain Christmas song might get you into the Christmas spirit!