

Max's Musical Elements Flashcards

Learning objective: To identify and define key musical elements including pitch, tempo, dynamics, and texture.

Read each card and try to define the musical term before checking the answer on the other side. Use these to help Max the monkey understand how music works!

What is Pitch?

Pitch is how high or low a musical note sounds.

What is Tempo?

Tempo is the speed of the music, how fast or slow it goes.

What are Dynamics?

Dynamics describe how loud or quiet the music is.

What is Rhythm?

Rhythm is the pattern of different lengths of sounds and silences.

What is Texture in music?

Texture describes how many layers of sound are playing at once.

What is Timbre?

Timbre is the unique 'colour' or quality of a sound that helps us tell instruments apart.

What is the Pulse?

The pulse is the steady beat that stays the same throughout a piece of music.

What is Duration?

Duration is the length of time a sound or note lasts.

What is Structure?

Structure is the way a piece of music is organised, like verses and choruses.

What is Silence?

Silence is the absence of sound, which is just as important as the notes in music.