

Max the Monkey's Musical Patterns Quiz

Learning objective: To understand the basics of musical composition and rhythm.

Max the Monkey loves to turn sounds into patterns. Read each question carefully. Use the word bank if you get stuck. Fill in the gaps or circle the best answer.

Answer Key: 1. A, 2. B, 3. True, 4. False, 5. Melody, 6. C, 7. A, 8. Tempo, 9. Rest, 10. Composer.

Word bank: Rhythm · Tempo · Beat · Composer · Rest · Melody · Pitch

1. 1. What do we call the person who writes a piece of music? A) Composer* B) Dancer C) Listener D) Painter (1 mark)

2. 2. Which word describes how fast or slow the music is? A) Pitch B) Tempo* C) Volume D) Beat (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: A rhythm is a pattern of long and short sounds. (1 mark)

4. 4. True or False: A 'rest' in music means you should play as loudly as possible. (1 mark)

5. 5. A sequence of notes that makes a tune is called a _____. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which of these helps you keep a steady pulse in music? A) A map B) A ruler C) A beat* D) A pencil (1 mark)

7. 7. If a note is 'high' or 'low', we are talking about its: A) Pitch* B) Colour C) Price D) Weight (1 mark)

8. 8. Max wants his music to go very fast. He needs to change the _____. (1 mark)

9. 9. When you see a symbol for a _____, you stay silent for a moment. (1 mark)

10. 10. Who writes the music? A _____ (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a pattern of four musical notes on a line. Use different shapes for the notes to show high and low sounds.



Extension challenge: Max has £5 to buy a new musical instrument for his band. If a small drum costs £3, how much change will he have left? Show your working out.