

# Max the Monkey's Dynamics Quiz

*Learning objective: To understand and identify musical dynamics (volume) in Year 4 music.*

Hello! I am Max. I love solving puzzles with maths and music! Dynamics means how loud or quiet music is. Read each question carefully. Use the word bank if you get stuck. Good luck!

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. Piano, 4. A, 5. False, 6. Forte, 7. True, 8. Loud, 9. Dynamics, 10. Crescendo.

*Word bank: Piano · Forte · Dynamics · Volume · Loud · Quiet · Crescendo*

**1. 1. What is the musical word for how loud or quiet music is? A) Rhythm B) Dynamics\* C) Tempo D) Pitch (1 mark)**

**2. 2. True or False: 'Forte' means to play music loudly. (1 mark)**

**3. 3. If a musician plays very quietly, we call this \_\_\_\_\_. (1 mark)**

**4. 4. Which word means the music is getting louder? A) Crescendo\* B) Piano C) Tempo D) Beat (1 mark)**

**5. 5. True or False: Dynamics always stay the same throughout a song. (1 mark)**

**6. 6. Fill in the blank: If you play with a lot of energy and sound, you are playing \_\_\_\_\_. (1 mark)**

**7. 7. True or False: 'Piano' is the Italian word for quiet. (1 mark)**

**8. 8. Is a shout 'Loud' or 'Quiet'? (1 mark)**

**9. 9. Complete the sentence: Changing the \_\_\_\_\_ helps to make music sound exciting. (1 mark)**

**10. 10. If you start a whisper and slowly build to a shout, you are performing a \_\_\_\_\_. (1 mark)**

**Draw:** Draw a picture of a musical instrument. If it makes a loud sound, draw a big sun next to it. If it makes a quiet sound, draw a small cloud.



*Extension challenge: Listen to a piece of your favourite music. Can you write down one part where the music is 'forte' (loud) and one part where it is 'piano' (quiet)?*