

# Max's Music Dynamics Journal

*Learning objective: To identify and describe changes in volume (dynamics) in music using correct musical terms.*

Max the monkey wants to solve the puzzle of sound! Listen to three different pieces of music. Fill in this journal to describe how loud or quiet the music is. Use the words in the word bank to help you.

*Word bank: Piano (quiet) · Forte (loud) · Crescendo (getting louder) · Diminuendo (getting quieter) · Volume · Soft · Strong*

**1. Piece 1: Listen to the start of the music. Is the volume quiet or loud? Use a musical word to describe it. (2 marks)**

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**2. Piece 2: Does the music change? Explain if it is a crescendo (getting louder) or a diminuendo (getting quieter). (2 marks)**

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**3. Piece 3: How does the volume make you feel? Use one sentence to describe the mood. (2 marks)**

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**4. Max's Challenge: If you were the conductor, would you make the music louder or quieter at the end? Why? (2 marks)**

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*Extension challenge: Choose your favourite song. Can you draw a line that goes up when the music gets louder and down when it gets quieter?*