

Max's Musical Elements Guide

Listen closely! Let's explore the sounds around us with Max the Monkey.

- **Pitch** is how high or low a sound is. A bird singing has a high pitch, and a lion's roar has a low pitch.
- **Tempo** is the speed of the music. Some songs are fast like a running cheetah, and some are slow like a walking elephant.
- **Dynamics** tell us how loud or quiet the music is. A whisper is quiet, and a shout is loud.
- **Texture** is how many sounds happen at the same time. A solo voice is thin, but a full orchestra is thick.
- **The beat** is the steady pulse you can tap your foot to, while the **rhythm** is the pattern of long and short notes.

Did you know? Did you know? Even when it is silent, the world is full of sound. Music is made by combining these elements in different patterns, just like solving a puzzle!

Key vocabulary: Pitch · Tempo · Dynamics · Texture · Beat · Rhythm