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Creative Music Movement







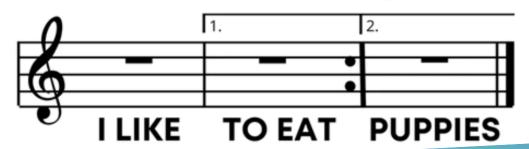






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MUSIC LITERACY MATTERS





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Creativity & Creative Learning?



Inquisitive

Possibility Pedagogy / Thinking

Provide Opportunites

Experimentation

Growth

Using Imagination

Tolerating Uncertainty

Risk-taking

What if...

Active Engagement

Persistent

Reflective

Asking Questions / Probing

Collaborative

Build Confidence

Value the small steps

Critical Thinking

Adaptable

Problem-solving

New Ideas, Approaches, Solutions

Transdisciplinary STEM, STEAM, Cross-curricular

Taking a Chance

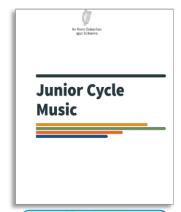
Creative Learning involves...



'Students forging new connections for themselves, building on prior knowledge, then restructuring ideas in new and creative ways, ...in active learning experiences and in having space and time to think, create and try out their ideas'

Curriculum in the Music Classroom





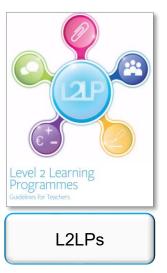


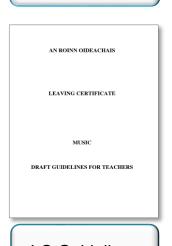


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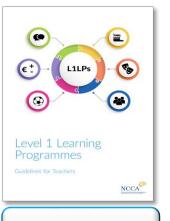








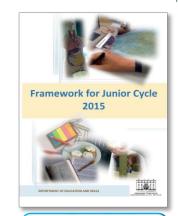




L1LPs



LC Applied



JC Framework

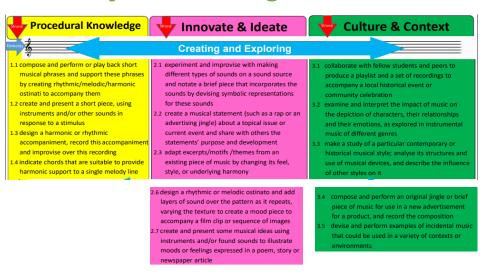


SC Key Competencies

Creative Learning in Irish Curricula



Junior Cycle Learning Outcomes



Senior Cycle Key Competencies

Being Creative

This competency is about coming up with novel ideas, questions, thinking, theories, solutions, and creative works, often by playing with and combining existing concepts in new ways, and by embracing divergent thinking, the power of human imagination and the potential of technologies. Being creative can benefit individuals, groups, communities and society and can result in innovation. Creativity can help human beings to navigate difficult problems. Developing strategies, habits of mind and dispositions which nurture creativity can help students to develop and sustain a personal response to their learning.

Communicating

This competency is about meaningfully interacting with others and gaining a deeper understanding of how important communication is to human relationships. Through this competency, students further develop their communicative repertoire. They communicate to make connections and to share their thoughts, feelings and ideas in a clear, authentic and effective way. They develop habits and nurture dispositions which support their capacity to communicate, in person and using various media.

Transition Year Developmental Indicators

- Learning how to generate ideas and turn ideas into action.
- Becoming more involved with creative and cultural activities.
- Expressing their own ideas more clearly while engaging with other people's ideas.

Level 2 Learning Programmes

Using expressive arts to communicate

- 1.22. Participate in a performance or a presentation, e.g. presentation of a short drama piece to members of the class, performance of dance or music to parents
- 1.23. Create a range of images using a variety of materials
- 1.24. Produce a piece of work for display
- 1.25. Listen to a range of music and respond by discussing thoughts and feelings, e.g. favourite singer and say why they like their music
- 1.26. Use drama or dance to explore real and imaginary situations

Level 1 Learning Programmes

- 5.12 Experiment with creating vocal sounds
- 5.14 Explore and use a variety of sound-making equipment
- 5.15 Participate in choosing and/or making appropriate sounds for stories, events and celebrations
- 5.16 Participate in group music-making activities

Leaving Certificate Applied

 to facilitate individual creativity and its expression through music

Learning Together, we will...



...consider a variety of bitesize chunks of learning as possible learning experiences to enable our young musicians to creatively learn together, foster expression in their music, and ultimately be curious about and enjoy their learning of Music.

Self-Reflection

Treble Clef

Stave

C Clef

3-4 Notes

Perform

Tuba





Curious? Committed? Motivation



Effective Questioning? Designing the learning

Listen to and understand the task? Evidence of Learning

Check in on the learning? Progressing the Learning

Terms? Lines? Spaces? How many notes? Literacy & Numeracy

Activate our inner hearing? Sound Before Symbol

Receive any feedback? From whom? Formative Assessment

Work with others? Communicate? Problem Solve? Skills/Competencies

Confident? Connected? Resilient? Wellbeing

Easier / More challenging parts? Access and Challenge - Differentiation

Use your imagination? Creative Learning and Creativity

One Size fits all? Individual Expression, Inclusion

Pedagogy in Music

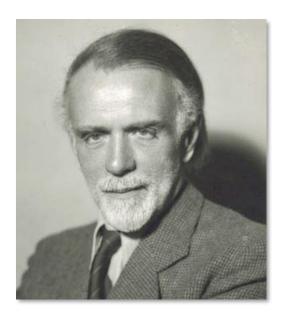




Dalcroze
Through Movement



Orff
Encourages Singing,
Play, Speech, Movement
and Improvisation



Kodály
Strong emphasis on
Singing and Ear
Training



Suzuki
Playing Instruments,
aural training, immersion
and imitation

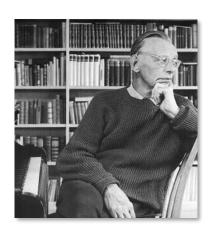
Sound Before Symbol: Music is Sound



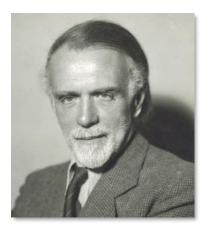
The aim is not to reduce the use of notation but rather to musically empower it.



Dalcroze



Orff



Kodály



Suzuki

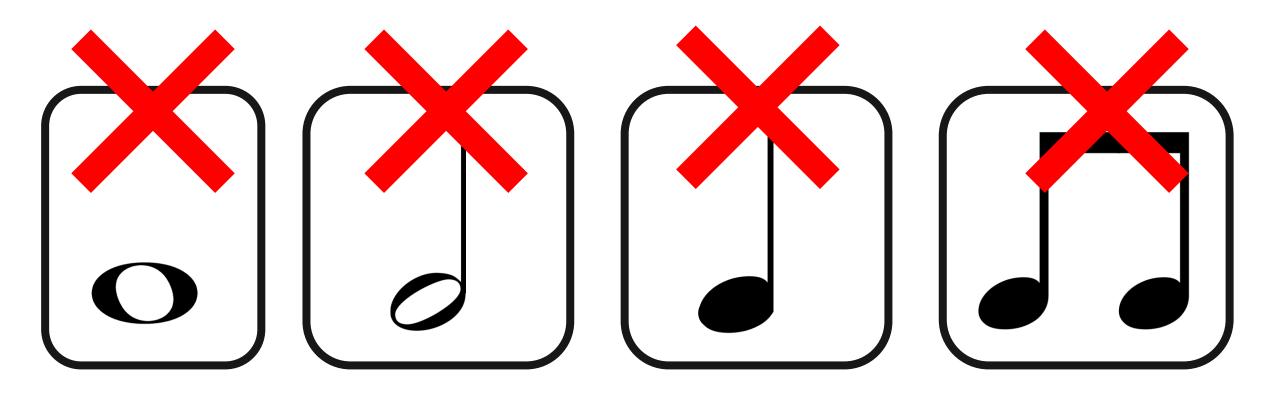
Base our classes on aural transmission, immersion and musicality, while equally insisting on the importance of fluent notation reading?

You decide!

Literacy & Numeracy

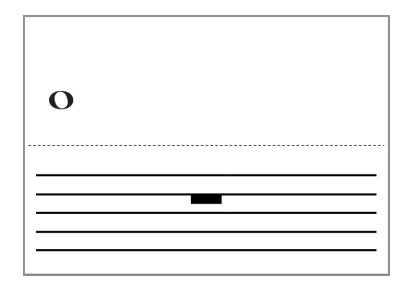


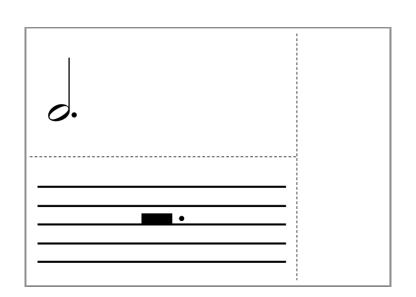
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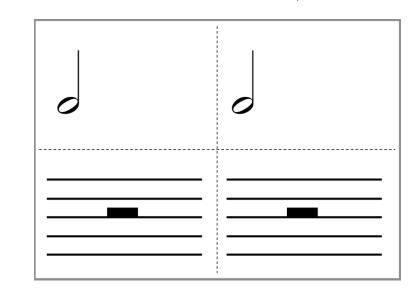


Learning Duration – Consider the Possibilities (i)

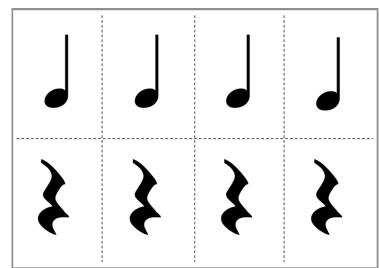


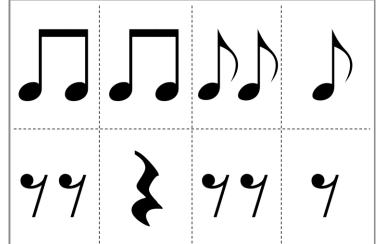






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Learning Rhythm?- Syncopation



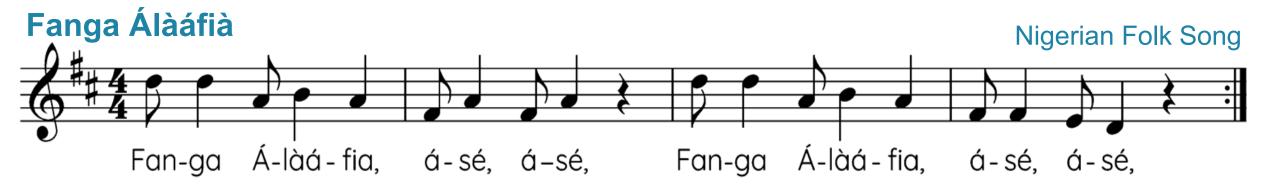


What other learning is inherent in this song?



Progressing this learning





Fanga = traditional dance

Álàáfià = welcome with the meaning of peace

Àsé = 'So Be it' (Amen) or 'May it Be So'

Other Learning? - Consider the Possibilities

Learning?







Learning? - Accompaniment and Melody





Learning? - Syncopation



- Accompaniment and Melody



Progress this Learning?



Melody & Accompaniment

Genre

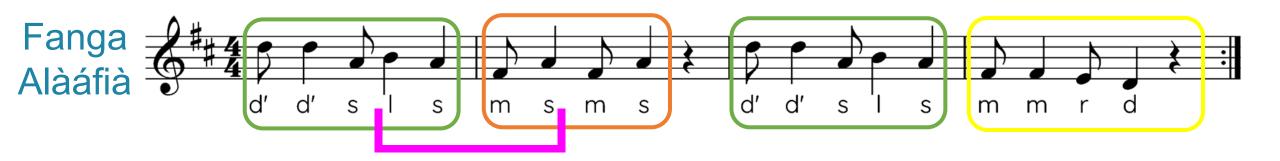
Improvisation and Play

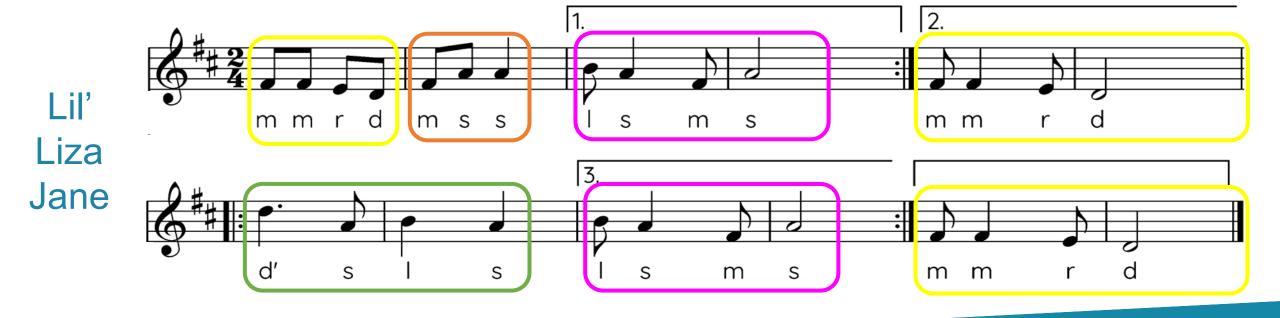
Skill of Comparison

Nina Simone – Lil' Liza Jane

Consider the possibilities







Consider the possibilities







Progressing the Learning

1-bar Motif – What might the learning be about?



Rhythm



Diminution



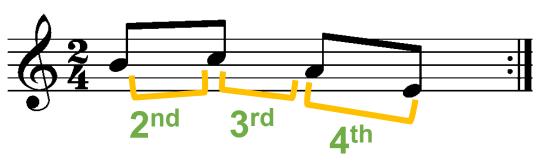
Note Names



Ostinato



Intervals



Octave - 8ve



Learning – Intervals



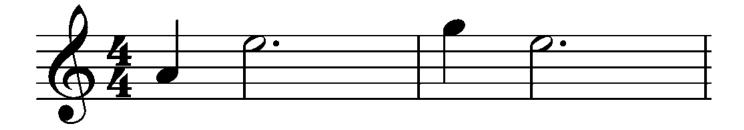








Develop the Rhythm



Learning - Sing, Clap, Play





Learning – Put it altogether







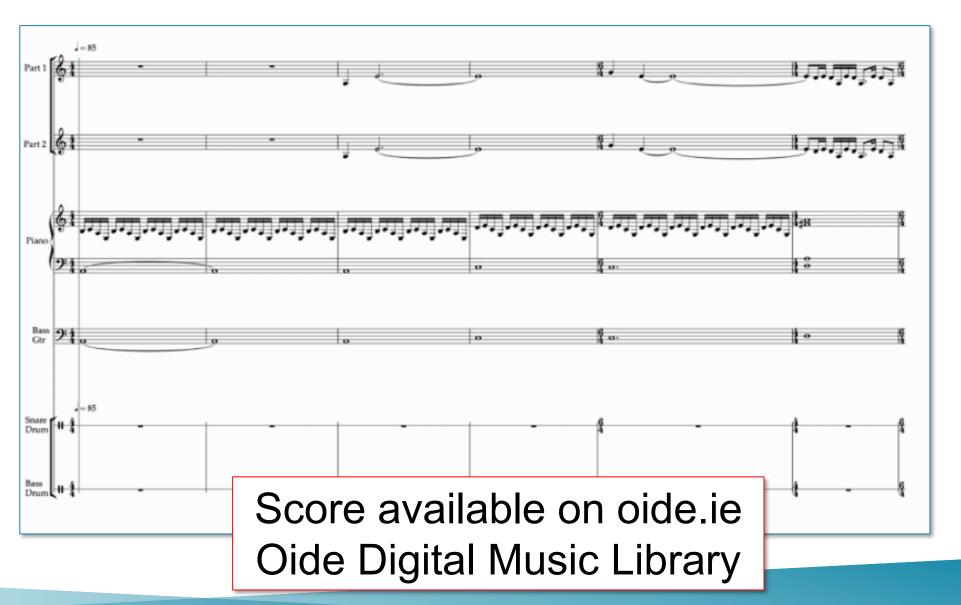


An 8ve?



Learning – Build the Score





How might you adapt this score for your students?

The Ecstasy of Gold – Ennio Morricone





Sergio Leone – Italian director 'Music is more expressive than dialogue'

Simple ideas used in Morricone's iconic score

Scene originally supposed to be c30secs, but was lengthened to celebrate Morricone's music

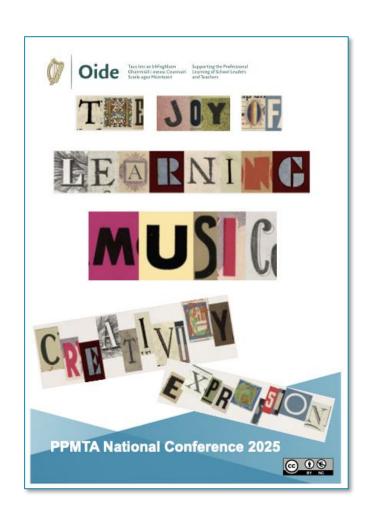
'Semiquaver' could be replaced with Mor-ri-co-ne



Pause and Reflect - Consider the possibilities for your students







Who might engage with this learning?

Why does this learning suit these students?

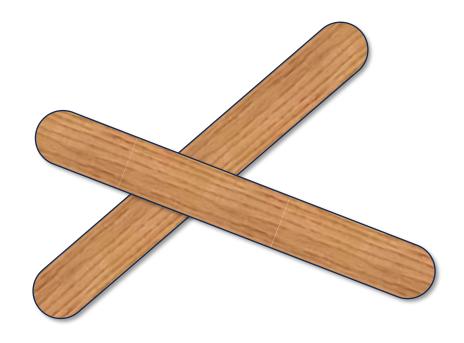
What aspect of the curriculum does this learning link to?



Learning - Syncopation







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Syncopation – Scaffold the Learning





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Sym-phon-y

for me



Syncopation – Progress the Learning





Sym-phon-y

Sym-phon-y

for

Hold me tight and not

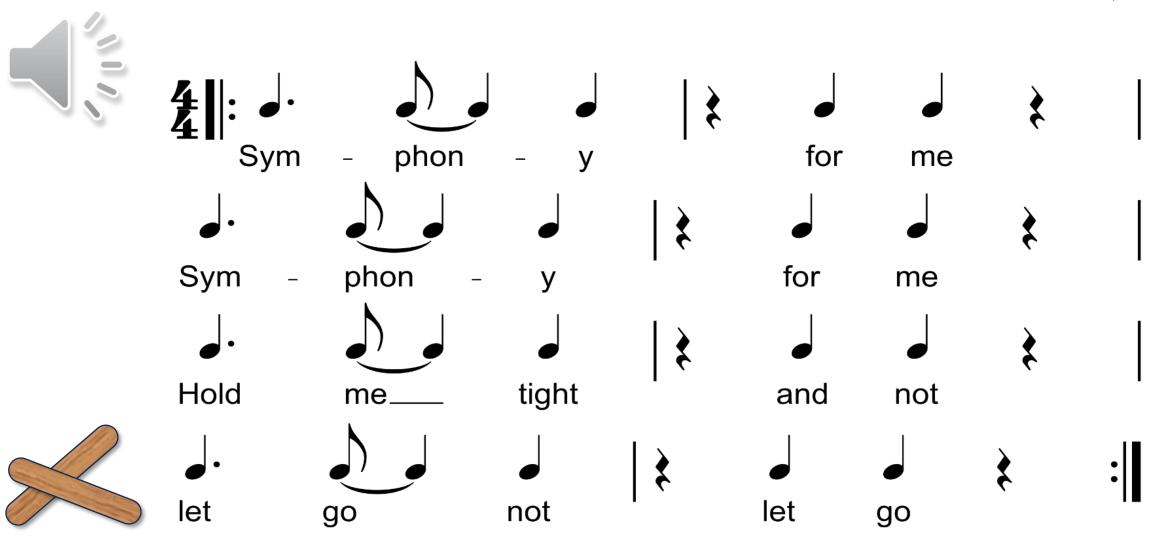


Let go

not let

Progress the Learning – Music Literacy





Learning - Activate Inner Hearing





Sym-phon-y (for me

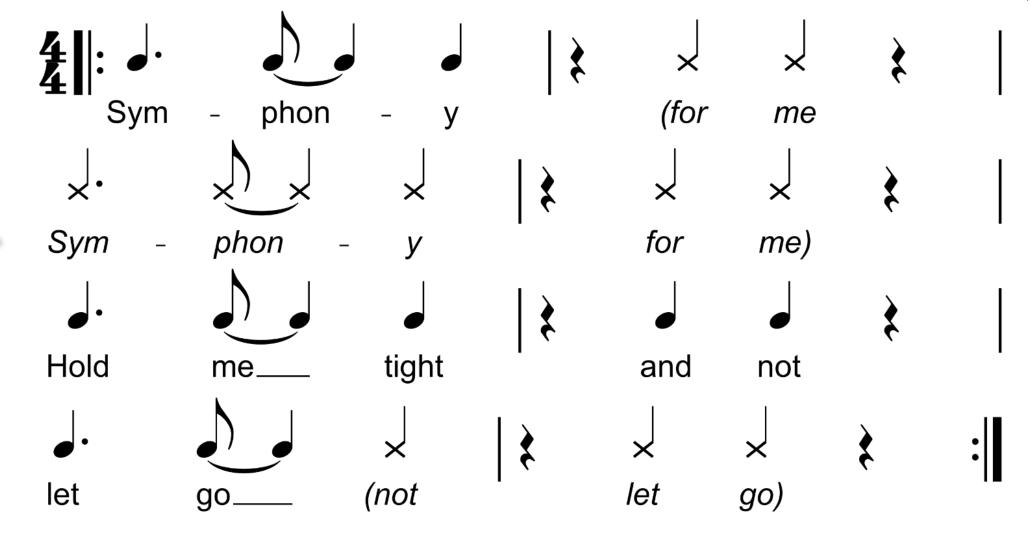
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Hold me tight and not

Let go (not let go)

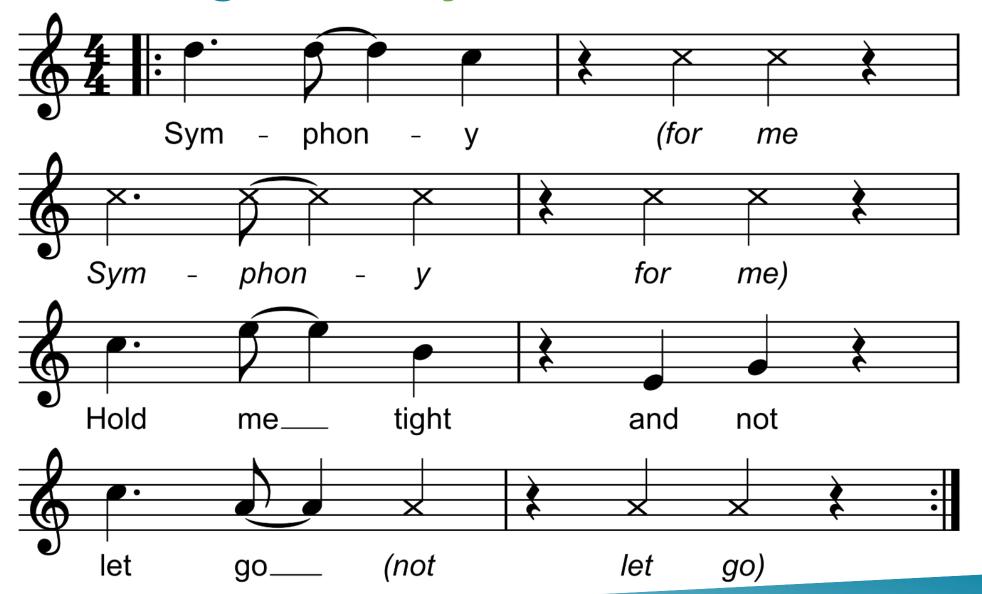
Syncopation – Literacy & Numeracy





Learning - Melody and Performance







Learning - Extend the Melody





Diminution



Extend the Melody







Diminution



Sing the Complete Chorus



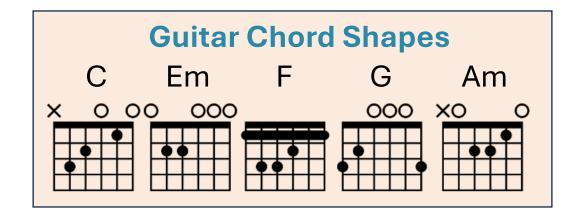
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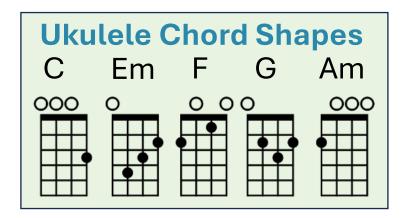


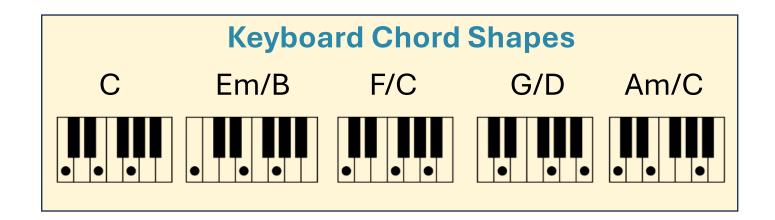


Learning - Chordal Accompaniment





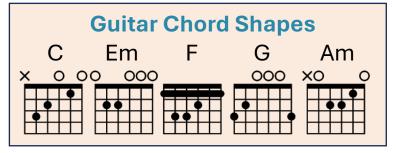


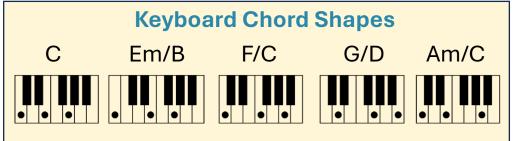


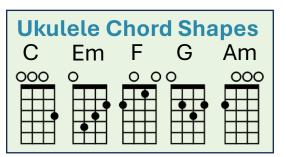
Accompaniment - Numeracy











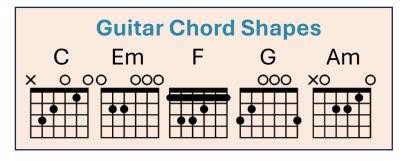
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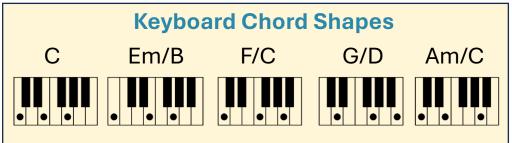
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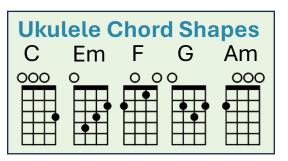
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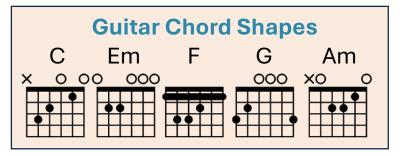
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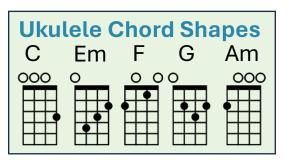
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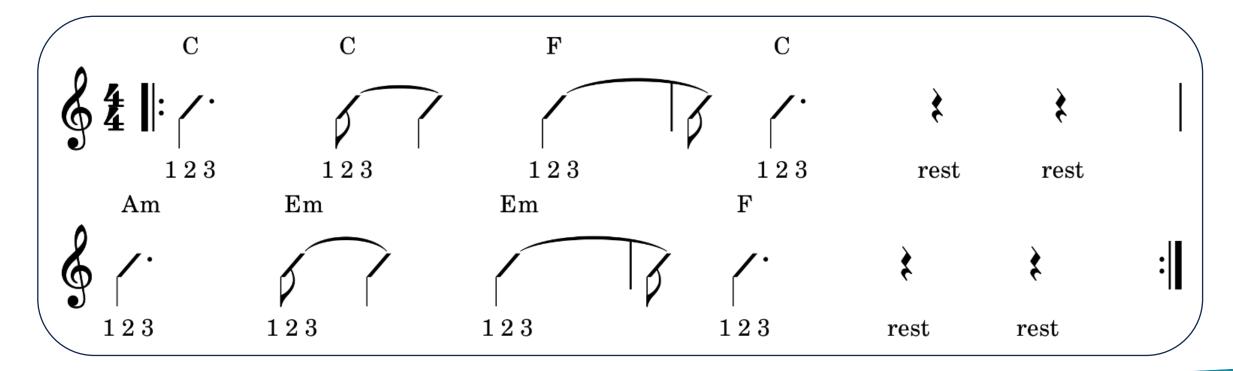








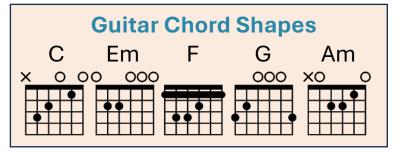




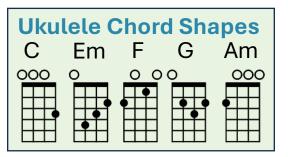
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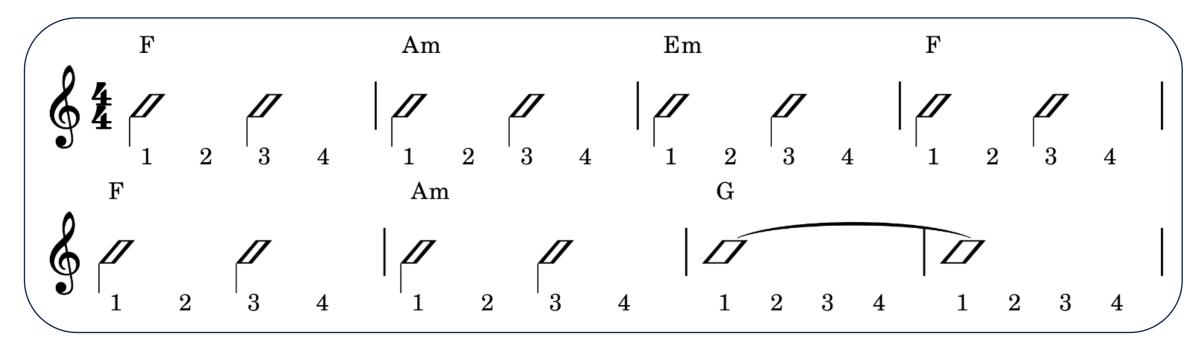








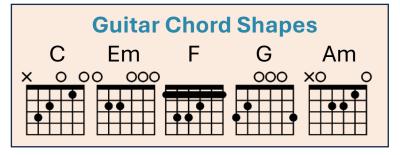




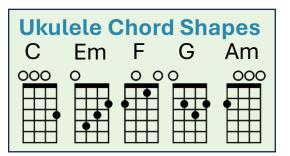
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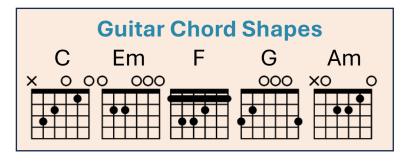
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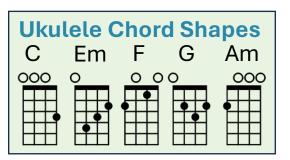
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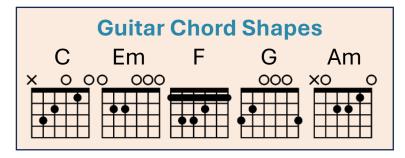
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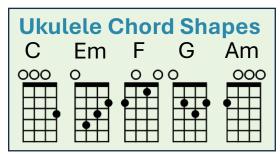
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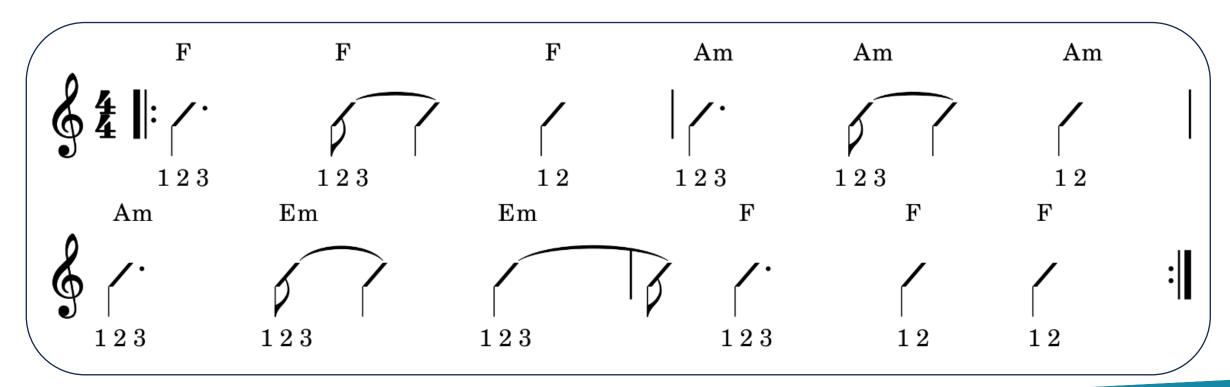






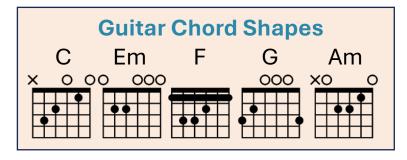




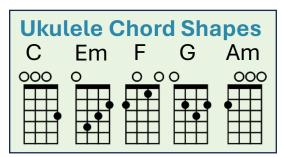


Further Challenge - Aural Transmission









F Am

Am Em





Put it all together – Build a Score





Symphony

Score available on oide.ie Oide Digital Music Library

Literacy - Find the Music-related Terms



Verse 1

I've been hearing symphonies
A rhapsody for you and me
Life was stringing me along
Was solo, singing on my own

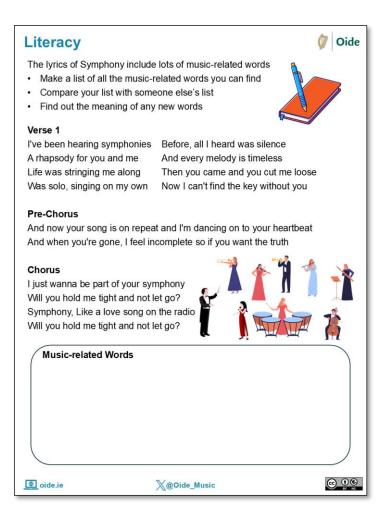
Before, all I heard was silence
And every melody is timeless
Then you came and you cut me loose
Now I can't find the key without you

Pre-Chorus

And now your song is on repeat and I'm dancing on to your heartbeat And when you're gone, I feel incomplete so if you want the truth

Chorus

I just wanna be part of your symphony
Will you hold me tight and not let go?
Symphony, Like a love song on the radio
Will you hold me tight and not let go?



Listening – The Skill of Comparison





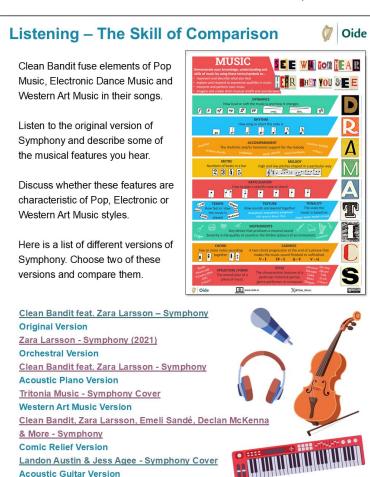










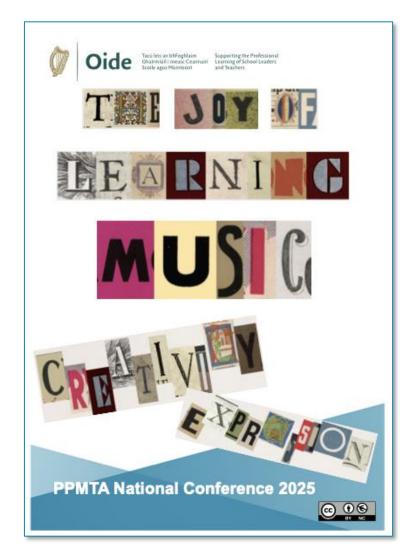


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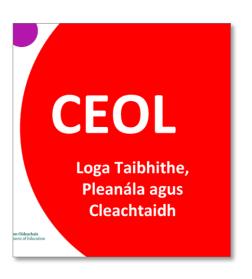
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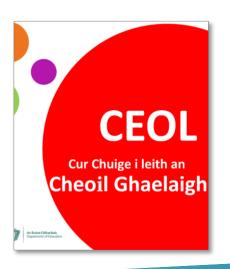


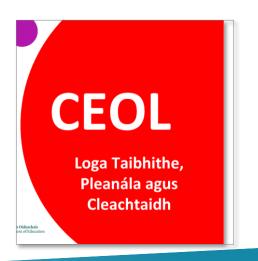






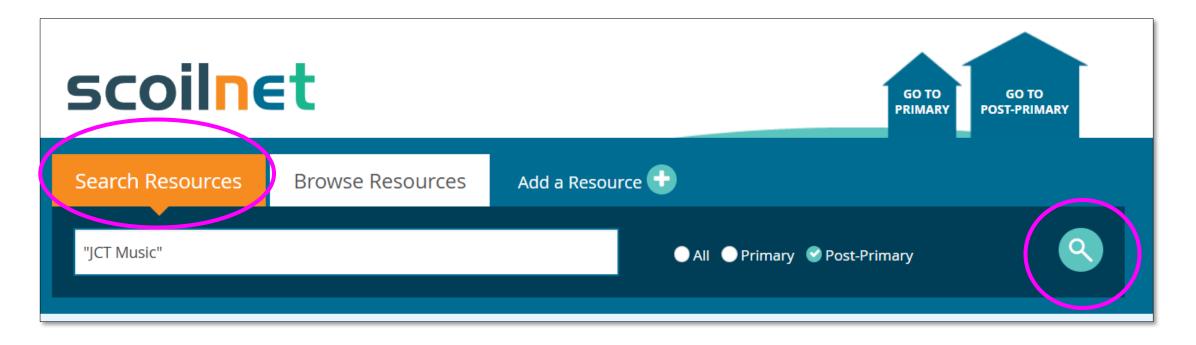






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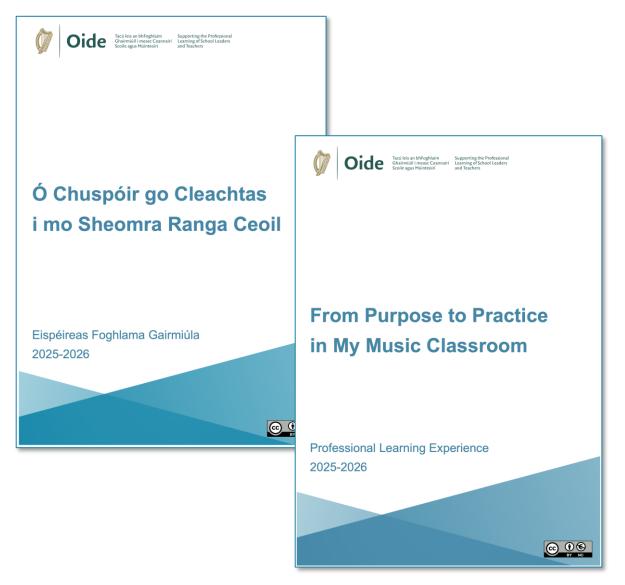




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- Search for "Ceol SSM" or "JCT Music"

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School Closure Day

Builds on 2024-2025 PLE

Makes connections across the purpose and practice of different curricula

Opportunities to contextualise and reflect on learning for your students

Sep 2025 - Jan 2026

In-person and Online









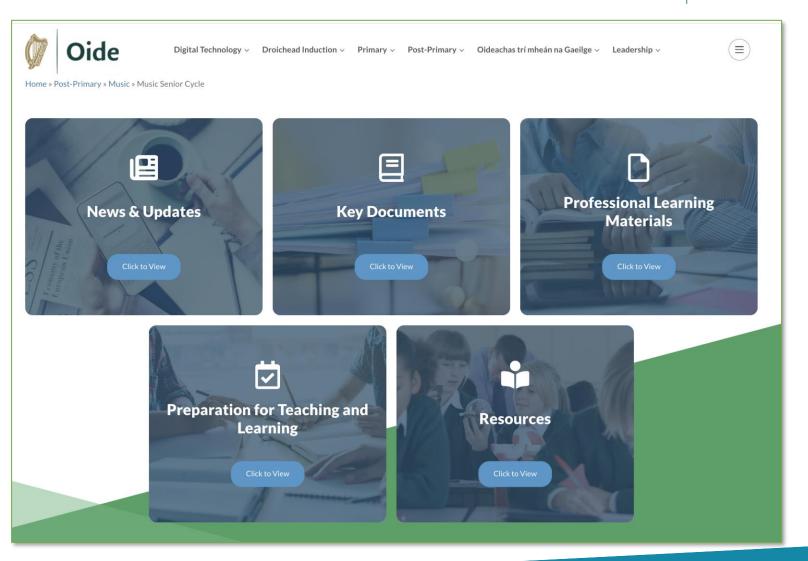




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