

Vocabulary Pyramid Music

You will hear
these words in
your lessons.



EYFS



See if you can use
these words when
speaking about
music.

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

stop
ta titi
fast high hit
listen loud low
play quiet repeat
scrape shake sing slow
sound speak speed start
action copy count voice
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duet graphic score layer notes pulse
pitch perform rest score soundscape
tempo beat instrument movement rhythm
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body percussion drone dynamics improvise
lyrics melody orchestra percussion round unison
verse conductor chorus compose composer
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bar bar line crescendo crotchet decrescendo ensemble
forte inter-related dimensions minim paired quavers piano quartet
scale semibreve solo structure texture timbre stave posture
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accelerando accompaniment allegro cell duration glissando ostinato
improvisation largo minimalism moderato motif neutral clef pentatonic scale
polyphony polyrhythm presto ritardando Western notation treble clef
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appraise bass line broken chords chord consonant dissonant
dotted note genre interval leaping major minor mnemonics
octave root note time signature triad harmonious harmony
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accent binary break clef concerto contrast expression
off-beat passing note phrasing programmatic riff syncopation ternary

