

HALF TERM 1 & 2: Composition	Pupils will be required to research which
In this unit, pupils will be introduced to a range of compositional concepts and techniques both past and present and will use these to compose 4 short pieces to	techniques composers use frequently in specific tv adverts.
match a brief. The brief will focus on TV advertisements and will include a Car ad, Trainer Ad, Holiday Ad and an Aftershave Ad.	Pupils will be required to complete 4 short compositions based on TV adverts for their composition portfolio
They will start from two different starting points.	Pupils will be required to discuss and feedback
Compositional Techniques - Melodic ideas and fragments - Rhythmic Patterns	on an individual and group level regarding their compositions and use of compositional techniques.
 Chords and Chord Progressions Harmonic Systems Textures Riffs and hooks Sound palettes 	Q ICT – The use of technology – Garageband and Logic Pro x
Pupils will learn what each of these are and how to implement these into a composition.	
HALF TERM 3 and 4: Develop, Extend and shape music for performances In this unit pupils will learn techniques of how to develop	Pupils will be required to gain a deeper knowledge of melodic and harmonic compositional devices.
their original 4 ideas. This will be done using melodic and harmonic ideas and shaping musical ideas.	Pupils will be required to develop two of their short compositions into longer developed pieces. These will be required for their portfolios
Melodic and Harmonic Ideas	
- Repetition - Sequences - Decoration - Variation	Pupils will be required to discuss and feedback on an individual and group level regarding their compositions and use of compositional techniques.
 Modulation Changing Tonality Transposition Use of contrast Transformations – inversion/ retrograde/ 	ICT – The use of technology – Garageband and Logic Pro x
 retrograde inversion Processes – Canon/ phasing/ addition/ subtraction/ augmentation/ diminution/ displacement 	
 Instrumentation Textures – Polyphonic/ Homophonic/ unison/ Octaves/ counterpoint 	
Shaping Musical Ideas	
 Block structures – Binary/ Ternary/ Rondo Style Introductions Coda 	



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 Contrasts Balancing repetition and change 		
The pupils will develop two of their original ideas further.		
Once completed, one of the developed compositions will be completed as a full piece of music.		
Presenting Compositions		
Pupils will learn how to present their compositions using an appropriate format.		
 Conventions of particular styles Standard notation Tab Graphic Notation Lead sheet Chord Chart Accepted graphic Notations. 		
HALF TERM 5: Unit 1 – The Music Industry		Researching organisations in the music industry Production and promotion in the music industry
In this unit, pupils will learn how the music industry works and how different aspects of the industry rely upon each other to succeed		
other to succeed		Exam Style questions – 1 mark/ 2 mark/ 4 mark
Different Types of organisations that make up the music industry		and 8 mark Mock Exams Final exam
Venues and Live Performance		Presentations on job roles in the music industry
 Advantages and disadvantages of each type of venue Suitability of different types of venues 		Group discussions
Venue locationsConstraints of venues	Q	Business Studies – Health and Safety Unions/ Trade Bodies and Agencies Management
 Where music is performed Small and medium local venues Spaces that range from pubs to clubs and small theatres Host a wide range of music Local promoters use Large Multi-use spaces Arenas, sports venues, outdoor spaces Host touring productions 		
Health, safety and security at venues		
 Health and safety in the workplace Risks within venues Venue's policies and procedures relating to health and safety and security 		
Production and Promotion		



Companies and individuals that create, promote and	
distribute music work	
 Recording companies – major and independent 	
 Music publishing – major companies, self- 	
publishing	
 Promoters – concert/club/festival 	
- Broadcasters – tv,radio, internet	
 Marketing and distribution – online, high street 	
stores, social media	
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Service Companies and agencies	
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Companies that provide services to artists, venues and	
production companies	
 Royalty collection agencies – PRS for music 	
(performing rights society), MCPS (Mechanical	
copyright protection society)	
- Importance of adhering to legal requirements in	
terms of licensing – PPL	
 Artists representation – management/ public 	
relations, agents, stylists	
 Hire Companies – hire of sound and lighting 	
equipment, rehearsal and studio space	
 Transport companies – transporting equipment and 	
materials for touring	
Unions	
Organisations that provide support and guidance to those	
working in the music industry	
 Musicians union (MU) – union for musicians, 	
composers, instrumental teachers	
 Equity – union for actors, dancers and other 	
performers	
 Broadcast Entertainment Cinematograph Theatre 	
Union (BECTU) – Union for those working in	
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production and/or technical notes	
How unions support those in the music industry?	
 Monitoring employment conditions and contracts 	
 between employees and employers Advice for freelancers on tax and NI 	
 Support in relation to negotiation of minimum 	
rates of pay and working conditions	
- Handling of disputes	
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Relationships within the industry	
- How promoters match acts to a venue – location,	
type of venue, size and scale of performance are	
 Importance of effective communication between 	
those working in the industry	
 How promoters and musicians find and select 	
suppliers and installers of equipment	
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Learning aim B: Understand job roles in the music industry	
Job roles from different areas of the music industry and the	
responsibilities of each role.	
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Learners should consider the skills and responsibilities of each performer or creative role in terms of who does what and why it is important. Consideration should be given to the links between performers and creative roles and how the industry is built upon the relationships between skilled practitioners across the disciplines.

- Musician
- instrumentalist, vocalist, accompanist, DJ
- auditioning, attending rehearsals (including technical and dress rehearsals), taking partin performances and workshops, marketing and promoting own work
- composer/songwriter/producer
- writing music, arranging, orchestrating, creative input
- responding to briefs, pitching ideas to clients, producing scores and parts, marketing and promoting own work, composing to a brief, producing
- producing, sequencing music, using technology to realise music, creative and artistic direction
- musical director
- conducting, arranging and leading rehearsals
- hiring musicians, liaison within projects, problem solving
- live sound technician
- stage planning, rigging, de-rigging, supervision of crew
- sound checking, ensuring mike and lines work correctly, adjusting levels, on stage mix, front of house (FOH) and monitor mixing
- roadie (backline technical support)
- assisting with get-in, rigging, de-rigging, get-out
- specialist instrumental support, logistics, driving
- instrumental support, guitar tech, drum tech.

Management and promotion roles

Learners should consider the skills and responsibilities of management and promotional roles in terms of who does what and why it is important. Consideration should be given to the links between management and promotional roles and how the industry relies on skilled practitioners across the disciplines.

- artistic management personal and financial management, advice and guidance, liaising with recording companies, arranging tours, fee negotiation
- venue management booking events, licensing, management of staff, management of publicity for events, organising events security, health and safety of artists, audience and staff
- studio management booking sessions, managing the maintenance of equipment and facilities
- promoter identifying performance opportunities, venues and artists, securing finance for events, manages financial risk, insurance and safety



 marketing - managing marketing materials and strategies A&R (Artists and Repertoire) - scouting for talent online and at live events. 		
HALF TERM 6: Unit 1 – The music Industry Continued		Researching organisations in the music industry Production and promotion in the music industry
Recording roles Learners should consider the skills and responsibilities of recording and production roles in terms of who does what		
and why it is important. Consideration should be given to the links between recording and production roles and how the industry relies on skilled practitioners across the disciplines.		Exam Style questions – 1 mark/ 2 mark/ 4 mark and 8 mark Mock Exams Final exam
 recording studio personnel engineer, assistant engineer, technical manager, tech support maintenance and repair, electronics engineer, installation 		Presentations on job roles in the music industry Group discussions
 producer artistic overview, creative manager, liaising between creative partners, financial control, sample clearance 	00	Business Studies – Health and Safety Unions/ Trade Bodies and Agencies Management
 session musician performing given music, performing collaboratively, in an ensemble or as a soloist, provides own equipment mastering 		
 mastering mastering engineer, producing the finished mix to comply with all technical requirements, optimised audio performance and ensuring quality CD manufacturer, producing multiple copies of provided master CDs on demand, jewel cases, slip cases, artwork, screen printing, packaging, delivery 		
 to distributor digital delivery through services such as iTunes. 		
Media and other roles Learners should consider the skills and responsibilities of media roles and the wider world of employment opportunities in related areas in terms of who does what and why it is important. Consideration should be given to the links between these roles and how the industry relies on skilled practitioners across the disciplines.		
 music journalist/blogger writing copy for publication in print or web, articles, reviews, biographies, research, op-ed broadcaster (TV and radio) selecting music for broadcast, programming, 		
 demographic targeting, research, writing, editing software programmer/app developer writing and/or coding software products such as apps, programs, packages, files, podcasts 		
 writing music packages for distribution online retail and distribution selling products in shops, stores and online using retail techniques and skills 		



 moving CDs from warehouse to retail outlets, logistics, selling via mail order and through online stores.

How and why workers are employed in the industry

Employment patterns:

• full-time/part-time/freelance contracts (short, long-term) when employing performance,

production and front of house staff

- permanent and casual staff for specific projects or performances
- self-employed, entrepreneurial
- volunteers.

Getting a break and starting out

- research into individual stories; case studies, interviews, biography and autobiography can help inform others about breaking into the industry
- volunteering at festivals, shows and clubs
- how and why (and if) a product should be given away for free, such as free downloads, free tickets, back-stage passes, guest-lists, promotional CDs
- where to find out about auditions, adverts, wordof-mouth, personal recommendations, making contacts, networking, hustling
- buying onto a tour; how much and for what audience and with what goal.

Importance of individual roles and responsibilities Within the production process:

- specific roles and responsibilities before, during and after gigs, sessions or recordings

- undertaking of duties and impact on the production process of decisions made.

within the performance process:

o workflow

o ensuring each part of the process is ready, with equipment, music, scores, demos, chord sheets, running orders, artwork, tickets, o contracts, contact information, phone numbers o how and where to get help and support o who is accountable and why

• how and why tasks/responsibilities should be prioritised. How individual roles and responsibilities interrelate Effective communication between individual roles:

- roles within the same area of an organisation, within the same organisation, from different organisations
- how and why specific roles are interdependent.
- why these relationships are important:

o dangers of miscommunication, planning and scheduling problems, minimising 'down time', maximising use of resources

o speed of change, responding to market pressures,

responding to marketing



opportunities.
Unit 1 – The Music Industry Exam – Date TBC