

# Music Knowledge Organiser – Year 3 – Glockenspiel

## Vocabulary

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| <b>Rhythm</b>    | The pattern of long and short sounds as you move through the song.  |
| <b>Pulse</b>     | A steady beat like a ticking clock or your heartbeat. It can be measured in time by counting the number of beats per minute (BPM).          |
| <b>Dynamics</b>  | How quietly or loudly a piece of music should be played.  |
| <b>Tempo</b>     | The speed at which a piece of music should be played.   |
| <b>Improvise</b> | The creative activity of immediate ("in the moment") musical composition  |
| <b>Composer</b>  | A person who writes music   |
| <b>Texture</b>   | Describes how layers of sound within a piece of music interact  |
| <b>Structure</b> | or Form, in music refers to the arrangement and order of the parts or sections of the music.  |
| <b>Notation</b>  | Any system used to visually represent aurally perceived music played with instruments   |
| <b>Crochet</b>   | A note that is one beat long in 4/4 time  |
| <b>Minim</b>     | A note having the time value of two crotchets or half a semibreve, represented by a ring with a stem.                                       |
| <b>Semibreve</b> | A note having the time value of two minims or four crotchets, represented by a ring with no stem. It is the longest note now in common use. |

## Key Facts:

Glocken = bells  
Spiel = Play



A percussion instrument composed of a set of tuned keys arranged in the fashion of the keyboard of a piano.

Similar to the xylophone, although the xylophone's bars are made of wood, while the glockenspiel's are metal plates or tubes,

The glockenspiel, additionally, is usually smaller and, because of both its material and smaller size, higher in pitch – It's also known as a metallophone.

## Recommended Listening

Bohemian Rhapsody, by Queen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yryHCbKUi-M>

ACDC – Thunderstruck

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eulJKhRjXNY>

Pachelbel's Canon in D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q1KOOjP9vIU>