

Below is a list of SOME of the key pieces we think children should have heard/recognise by the time they leave primary school (in no particular order). There are hundreds more but it is a starting point! During our music theme (and after!), it would be great for children to listen to some of these pieces. Links to a You Tube video have been included and some suggestions for activities in addition to the general ones below. Maybe you have your own idea of songs/pieces to be included and you might spend some time listening to these.

<p>Year R, 1 and 2</p> <p>What pictures do you see when you hear the song? Does it make you want to draw or paint? Have a go!</p> <p>What instruments can you hear?</p> <p>Can you play along to any part of the song or add your own rhythms or tune?</p> <p>You could make instruments, use an instrument you already have or even just clap your hands or stamp your feet!</p> <p>Do you like the song?</p> <p>Have you heard the song before? What does it make you think of?</p> <p>How does the piece make you feel? Happy? Sad? Excited?</p>	<p>Years 3-6</p> <p>Could you write your own words to the same tune?</p> <p>Can you talk about the song/piece using musical terminology? E.g. what instruments are used? What is the tempo? Describe the dynamics.</p> <p>Does the music inspire you to create a piece of art? Will you use pencils, paint, collage, photography?</p> <p>Can you play along to any part of the song or add your own rhythms or tune?</p> <p>You could make instruments; use an instrument you already have or even just body percussion!</p> <p>Do you like the piece? Why? Why not? How does the piece make you feel? What mood does it create?</p> <p>Who composed the piece? When? What was happening in the world when this piece was written?</p> <p>Do you recognise the piece? Where from? Does it remind you of anything?</p>
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Age	Music	Composer/ Band	Year	Genre	Site	Activities/Questions
KS1	The Flight of the Bumblebee	Nikolai <b>Rimsky-Korsakov</b>	1900	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X14kC-sEH0I">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X14kC-sEH0I</a>	Why do you think this piece of music has this title?
KS1	Roll the Old Chariot Along			Sea Shanty	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVVUKnek5aA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVVUKnek5aA</a>	Why do you think sailors would sing this?
All	Carnival of the animals	Camille <b>Saint-Saëns</b>	1868	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k2RPMJmSp0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k2RPMJmSp0</a>	Which is your favourite piece? Why? Do you see the animal or something else when you close your eyes and listen? What can you find out about the different animals? What can you find out about the composer? Can you make up a dance for one or more of the animals to the piece of music? Can you spot the error in the video? See below for the breakdown of pieces on the video.

All	Dance of the sugar plum fairy (from The Nutcracker)	Pyotr Ilyich <b>Tchaikovsky</b>	1892	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wz_f9B4pPtg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wz_f9B4pPtg</a>	
All	Dance of the Little Swans (from Swan Lake)	Pyotr Ilyich <b>Tchaikovsky</b>	1875	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xd2nTXsivHs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xd2nTXsivHs</a>	
All	The Blue Danube	Johann <b>Strauss</b> II	1866	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKkDMiGUbUw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKkDMiGUbUw</a>	Where is the Danube?
All	Scarborough Fair			Traditional folk song	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Jj4s9I-53g">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Jj4s9I-53g</a>	
All	A Million Dreams (from The Greatest Showman)	Benj Pasek and Justin Paul	2017	Show tune/ Musical Theatre	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pSQk-4fddDI">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pSQk-4fddDI</a>	What other songs from musicals do you like?
All	In the Hall of the Mountain King (from Peer Gynt)	Edvard <b>Grieg</b>	1875	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVRGZ2ag9tk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVRGZ2ag9tk</a>	Find out about the story of Peer Gynt.
All	UK National Anthem				<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G9eK9fWU3s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G9eK9fWU3s</a>	
All	Canon in D	Johann <b>Pachelbel</b>	c. 1700	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NlprozGcs80">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NlprozGcs80</a>	
All	Chariots of Fire	Vangelis	1981	Electronic, film score	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3pQIRZZ9NMs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3pQIRZZ9NMs</a>	
KS2	Four seasons	Antonio <b>Vivaldi</b>	1723	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRxofEmo3HA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRxofEmo3HA</a>	All four seasons on one video – which ones do you recognise?

KS2	Für Elise	Ludwig van <b>Beethoven</b>	1810	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDYpiIXFA4U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDYpiIXFA4U</a>	
KS2	Eine Kleine Nachtmusik	Wolfgang Amadeus <b>Mozart</b>	1787	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qb_jQBgzU-l">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qb_jQBgzU-l</a>	
KS2	Rondo Alla Turca	Wolfgang Amadeus <b>Mozart</b>	1783	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqGA5rjLxT8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqGA5rjLxT8</a>	
KS2	The Planets	Gustav <b>Holst</b>	1916	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Isic2Z2e2xs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Isic2Z2e2xs</a>	Particularly Mars (first piece) Research the planets and crate a fact-file.
KS2	Proud	Heather Small	2000	Pop R&B	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-4szP49_HKE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-4szP49_HKE</a>	
KS2	Mr Blue Sky	Electric Light Orchestra (ELO)	1977	Pop rock	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G8dsvclf3Tk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G8dsvclf3Tk</a>	
KS2	Wuthering Heights	Kate Bush	1978	Pop rock	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-1pMMle4hb4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-1pMMle4hb4</a>	
KS2	Imagine	John Lennon	1971	Pop rock	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkgkThdzX-8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkgkThdzX-8</a>	
KS2	Take Five	Dave Brubeck	1959	Jazz	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tT9Eh8wNMkw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tT9Eh8wNMkw</a>	
KS2	Bridge Over Troubled Water	Simon and Garfunkel	1970	Pop/folk	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4G-YQA_bsOU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4G-YQA_bsOU</a>	
KS2	Layla	Eric Clapton	1971	Classic Rock	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TINGViNw2pOo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TINGViNw2pOo</a>	
KS2	Back in Black	AC/DC	1980	Rock	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pAgnJDJN4VA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pAgnJDJN4VA</a>	

KS2	Requiem - Lacrimosa	Wolfgang Amadeus <b>Mozart</b>	1791	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-FzIR3C8xM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-FzIR3C8xM</a>	
KS2	Respect	Aretha Franklin (Otis Redding)	1967	Soul	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6FOUqQt3Kg0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6FOUqQt3Kg0</a>	
KS2	Jerusalem	William Blake Hubert Parry	1804 1916	Hymn	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKRHWT6xdEU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKRHWT6xdEU</a>	
KS2	Land of Hope and Glory	Edward <b>Elgar</b>	1901	Classical	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vvgl_2JRIUs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vvgl_2JRIUs</a>	
KS2	Good Riddance (Time of Your Life)	Green Day	1997	Acoustic Rock	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnQ8N1KacJc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnQ8N1KacJc</a>	
KS2	Sweet Dreams (Are Made of This)	Eurythmics	1983	Synth pop	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qeMFqkcPYcg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qeMFqkcPYcg</a>	
KS2	Carmina Burana – ‘O fortuna’	Carl Orff	1936	Classical (cantata)	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GXFSK0ogeg4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GXFSK0ogeg4</a>	<a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces/carl-orff-carmina-burana-o-fortuna/zkhtwtly">https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces/carl-orff-carmina-burana-o-fortuna/zkhtwtly</a> Further information in BBC’s Ten Pieces.

00:00 I - Introduction et marche royale du lion (Introduction and Royal March of the Lion)

02:27 II - Poules et Coqs (Hens and Roosters)

03:21 III - Hémiones (Wild Donkeys Swift Animals)

04:09 IV - Tortues (Tortoises)

06:12 V - L'éléphant (The Elephant)

07:45 VI - Kangourous (Kangaroos)

08:46 VII - Aquarium

11:15 VIII - Personnages à longues oreilles (Characters with Long Ears)

12:03 IX - Le coucou au fond des bois (The Cuckoo in the Depths of the Woods)

14:26 X - Volière (Aviary)

15:32 XI - Pianistes (Pianists)

16:58 XII - Fossils

18:20 XIII - Le Cygne (The Swan)

21:19 Finale