

My Knowledge Journal



Sound

Name: _____

Pre Knowledge Quiz

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Sound Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary

sound waves	Invisible waves that travel through air, water and solid objects as vibrations.
vibrations	Invisible waves that move quickly.
travel	How something moves around.
volume	How loud or quiet a sound of something is.
decibel	A measure of how loud a sound is.
amplitude	A measure of the strength of a sound wave.
frequency	A measure of how many times per second the sound wave cycles.
source	Where something comes from.
transmit	How something moves around.
energy	The power from sources such as electricity that makes machines work or provided heat.
electricity	A form of energy that can be carried by wires and is used for heating and lighting and to provide power for devices.
medium	Something that makes possible the transfer of energy from one location to another.
pitch	How high or low a sound is.

Key Questions and Facts

What is a sound?

- A **sound** can be heard.
- The object that makes the sound is called the **source**.

How is a sound made?

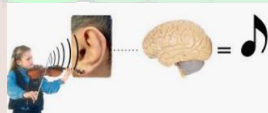


- When objects **vibrate** a sound is made.
- The **vibration** makes the air around the object vibrate and the air vibration enters your ear. These are called **sound waves**.
- If an object is making a sound a part of it is vibrating, even if you cannot see the vibrations.

How does sound travel?

- **Sound waves** travel through a medium (such as air, water, glass, stone and brick).
- If someone is playing music next door the sound can travel through the bricks/stone in the walls

How do we hear sounds?



- When an object vibrates, the air around it **vibrates** too. This vibrating air can also be known as **sound waves**.
- The **sound waves** travel to the ear and make the eardrums **vibrate**.
- Messages are sent to the brain which recognises the **vibrations** as sounds.

How does sound change?

- Pitch:**
- The pitch of a sound is how high or low it is.
- Volume**
- The volume of sound is how loud or quiet it is.
 - When sound is created by a little amount of energy, a weak sound wave is created which doesn't travel far. This makes it quiet
 - A **vibration** with lots of **energy** makes a powerful **sound wave** and therefore a loud sound.

How do we measure sound?

Sound is measured in **decibels**, **amplitude** and **frequency**.

Diagrams

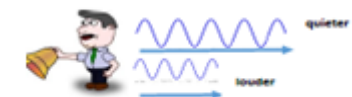
- **High Pitch sounds are created by short sound waves**

Long sound waves create a low pitch

- **Low pitch sounds are created by long sound waves**

Short sound waves create a high pitch

- **The closer you are to the source of the sound, the louder the sound will be**
- **The further away you are from the source of sound, the quieter the sound will be.**



What should I already know?

- Hearing is part of my five senses



- Sounds can be combined using musical instruments



My Knowledge Builder

My Previous Knowledge...

New Knowledge

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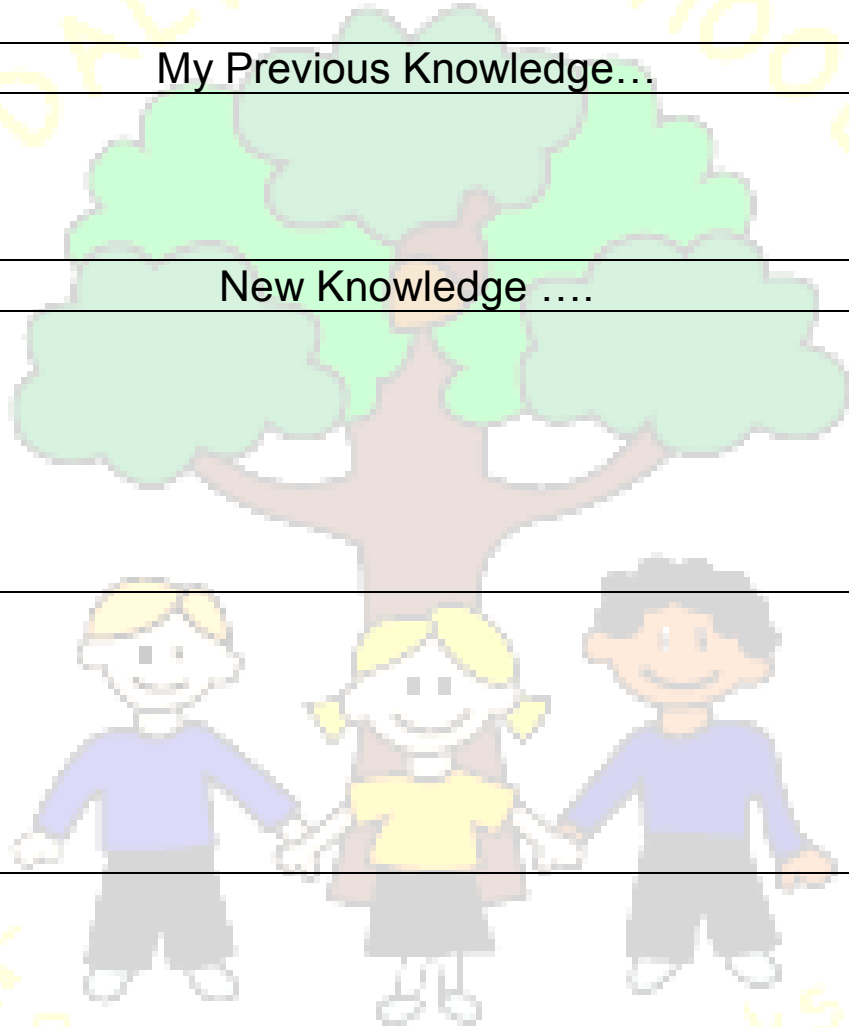
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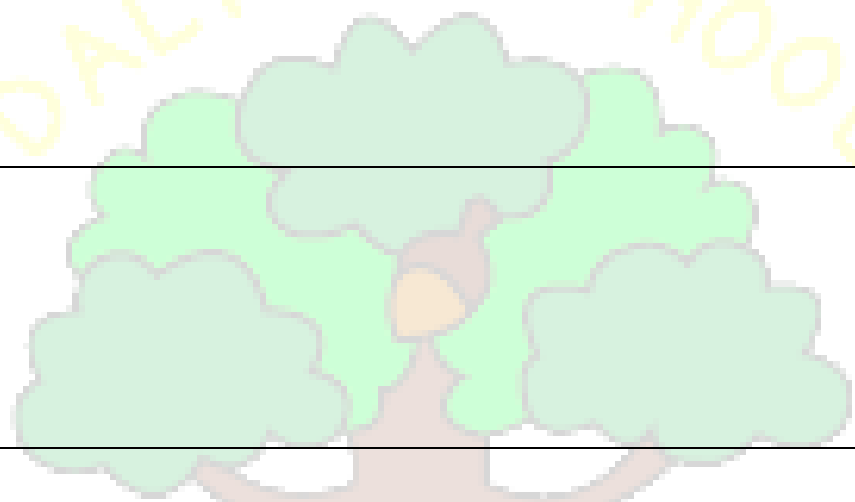
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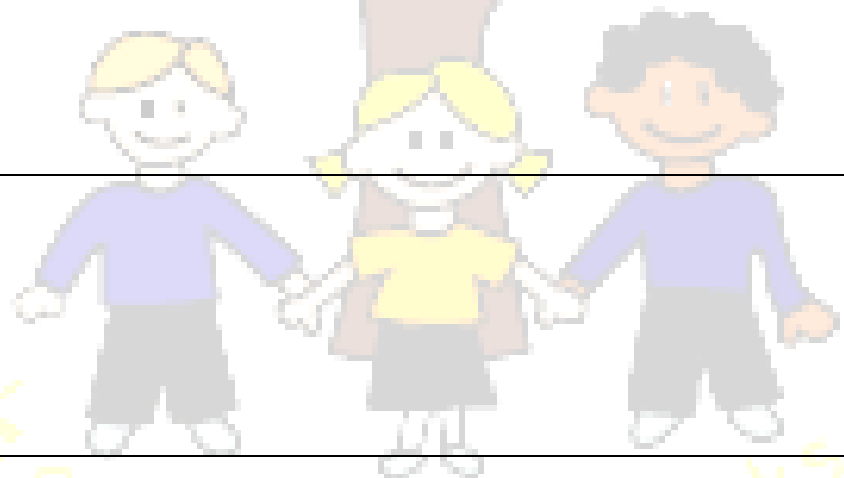


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