

Year 5 – June 2020

How to Read Music for Beginners (2 weeks)

These little lessons link to the work you would be doing in the summer term in year 5 on **NOTATION**.

NOTATION = the different ways in which we show the music

There are different types of notation in music including GRAPHIC notation (where music is represented through symbols), Tab (used by guitarists) and standard notation (the notes on the staff).

Lesson 1:-

Understanding GRAPHIC NOTATION

Watch these video demonstrations of graphic notation

<https://youtu.be/ZsbcBVCWFjc>

<https://youtu.be/1k8sGztMsKA>

<https://youtu.be/dSzZ5H-iwBk> This is a tough one – see if you can follow it!

Now choose your own piece of music and see if you can create your own graphic score of the music

Success criteria:- Can someone else follow your graphic score when they listen to the music?

Lesson 2:-

Understanding STANDARD NOTATION

Watch the following video on ‘how to read music for beginners’:-

<https://youtu.be/wJSQ9t0nG3Q>

Have a go at writing some notes of your own. Try the LINE notes first in the TREBLE cleff (E,G,B,D and F) and then the SPACE notes in the TREBLE cleff (F,A,C and E). Now try the notes in the BASS cleff.

If you have a printer you can print off the manuscript paper which is also available on the little lesson page to help you. If not you can just draw 5 straight lines with a ruler.

Challenge:- How many words can you spell out with these notes eg CAGE

Try and spell out as many words as you can by drawing the musical notes for each letter of the word.