

Time for Music -1: Y5 & 6



Listen Up!

'Earth'

by famous composer HANZ ZIMMER



http://teach.files.bbci.co.uk/tenpieces/Zimmer1.mp3

Sit comfortably and relax while you listen.
Allow sound to wash over you.

- 1. How does the music make you feel?
- 2. Can you hear individual instruments from the orchestra?
- 3. Can you hear sounds that are not instruments?
- 4. What do you visualize about our planet while you listen?
- 5. Can you listen out for **CRESCENDOs DIMINUENDOs** and **DYNAMICS** which help shape this piece of music.

Let's Get Creative!

Hanz asks you to play with his music. He describes composing as playing so why not have a go yourself.

This week add something over the top of 'Earth' so while you listen to the music **play with sounds** at the same time.

- 1. You can add sounds with your voice or join in with the choir.
 - 2. Hanz likes synthesized sounds so you could use

https://intro.novationmusic.com/retro-grain
(you may have used this last term)
to play with sounds that you think sound good with 'Earth'

- 3. Add percussion sounds using objects from the house. Play around making the sounds louder and quieter.
- 3. You can add to the music using the notes from the main theme.



Key Words:

Crescendo - gradually getting louder

Diminuendo – gradually getting quieter

Dynamics - the term used for louds and softs/volume





Explore

Find out more about

HANZ ZIMMER on the 'BBC Ten Pieces' website.

Follow his link:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces/classical-music-ks2-hans-zimmer-earth/zvg4vk7

Watch Hanz talk about writing 'Earth' for the BBC.



QUICK ZIMMER QUIZ

- 1. When and where was Hanz Zimmer born?
- 2. List as many films as you can that Hanz has written the music for.
- 3. What else has Hanz written music for?
- 4. Which British bands did Hanz play keyboards/synthesizers for?
- 5. Who taught music to Hanz?

Extra fun

Watch the Scottish Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Scottish National Orchestra Junior Chorus perform 'Earth'

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- 1. Watch a scene from a suitable film with the soundtrack/music on.
- 2. Watch the same scene only this time turn the sound off.
- 3. Does the feeling/mood of the scene change when you remove the music?
- 4. Try with another scene from another film to see what effect removing the soundtrack has.