

# Knowledge Organiser: Jupiter



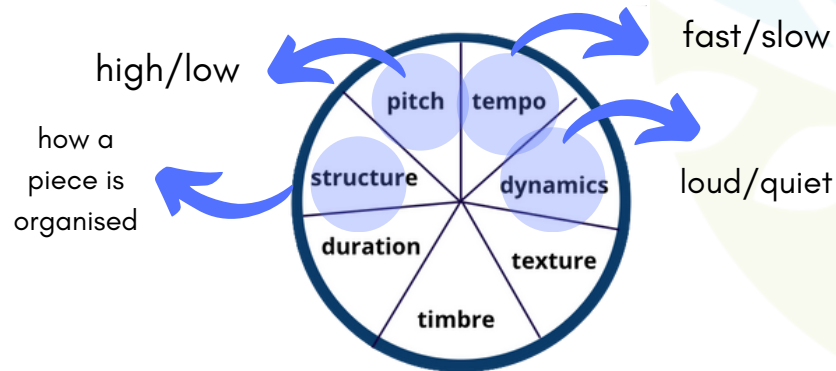
## Topic Background

The term 'planet' originates from the Greek word for 'wanderer'. In ancient Greek times, they believed that as they travelled through the solar system, the planets hummed with their own music, a spiritual sound that couldn't be heard by the human ear.

The planets have inspired so many pieces of music. One of the most famous musical works being 'The Planet Suites' by Gustav Holst.

## Musical Knowledge

The inter-related dimensions of structure dynamics, pitch and tempo are explored.



## Listening Pieces

- Jupiter, Planets Suite, Holst, 1914-1917
- Also Sprach Zarathustra, Richard Strauss, 1896

## Key Vocabulary

**anthem:** a song that represents a group of people or celebration  
**brass:** a section of the orchestra, instruments are made of brass and are blown to make a sound  
**conductor:** someone who writes/creates music  
**dynamics:** how loud or quiet a sound is  
**fanfare:** brief musical formula played on trumpets, horns, or similar instruments sometimes accompanied by percussion for signal purposes  
**forte:** loud  
**lyrics:** words that make up a song  
**melody:** the tune of the music made up of high and low pitches  
**orchestra:** a group of performers who play various musical instruments  
**percussion:** a musical instrument that is played by being shaken, struck or scraped  
**piano:** quiet  
**pulse:** the heartbeat of the music  
**rehearsal:** to practise  
**romantic:** an era in the history of music from 1820-1900, music describes places, emotions or tells stories  
**strings:** a section of the orchestra, instruments are made of wood and are bowed or plucked to make a sound  
**tempo:** how fast or slow the music is  
**woodwind:** a section of the orchestra, instruments are made of metal or wood and are blown to make a sound

## Sections of the Orchestra

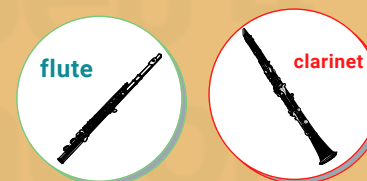
### Strings



### Brass



### Woodwind



### Percussion

