

KS3 Music: Year 7

Blues

Key Words

Lyrics = song words

Rhyme = words that have the same sound

12 Bar Blues Chord Sequence = a pattern of chords in the order 1, 1, 1, 1, 4, 4, 1, 1, 5, 4, 1 and 1

Walking Bass Line = a bass line that 'walks' up and down using notes from the chords and passing notes

Blues Scale = a scale with a flattened 3rd, a flattened 5th and a flattened 7th

Improvisation = when you make it up as you go along

Strophic Song Form = a structure with a combination of choruses, verses, a bridge or middle 8, an introduction and an outro

Key Skills

Be able to perform keyboard melodies and accompaniments





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Key Questions

What makes a good performance?

What are lyrics?

What is rhyme?

What are the chords in the 12 bar blues chord sequence in the key of C major?

What are the notes in the walking bass line in the key of C major?

What are the notes in the blues scale in the key of C major?

What is improvisation?

What is strophic song form?

What is the purpose of a chorus? What is the purpose of a verse? What is the purpose of a bridge or middle 8? What is the purpose of an introduction? What is the purpose of an outro?

