

Vocabulary:

Pulse – The steady heartbeat of the music.

Rhythm – A pattern of long and short sounds.

Tempo – How fast or slow the music is.

Percussion – Instruments that are played by hitting, shaking or scraping.

Dynamics – How loud or quiet the music is.

Perform – To play music for an audience.

Compose – To create or make up one's own music.

Notation – Symbols used to represent music.

Ostinato – A short melodic or rhythmic pattern that is repeated.

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Cups



Boomwhackers

Cup percussion

Cups can be used to create different sounds by:

- tapping
- clapping
- sliding
- lifting and placing
- turning

Cup routines often combine movement, rhythm and pulse.

Boomwhackers

- Boomwhackers are tuned plastic tubes.
- Different lengths produce different pitches.
- They can be played by striking them against your hand, body or another suitable surface.
- Each colour usually represents a different note.
- They can be used to play rhythms and melodies.