



Music for Home Learning

Year 3



Here are some ideas for having fun whilst doing some musical activities at home. They are based around the sounds heard in different environments that the children might be familiar with. This is a project which you can explore over several weeks. Explore and enjoy!

Sounds around the home

Start off by listening carefully to sounds that can be heard around the home- if possible, outside in the garden. What sounds can you hear? Traffic noise? Bird song? Aeroplanes? Wind noise? How can you recreate these sounds? You might use your voice or use different body parts. What can you find around the home that could be used to recreate some of these sounds?

Sounds in the environment

You can then search the internet or use books or magazines to find pictures of different scenes: Townscapes, the countryside, the seaside for example. What sort of sounds would we hear in each environment? Be creative in your ideas- for example, townscapes might include sounds of roadworks or construction sites, whilst the countryside might include different animals or pieces of farm machinery. Again, explore making sounds for each of these scenes.

Composing

Now enjoy watching 'Going on a Bear Hunt'. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lou5LV9dRPO> This poem is rather like a song with its repeated refrain and the different verses depicting the problems encountered along the way. Imagine a journey to school. What problems might be encountered along the way? (You can let your imagination run riot here!) Record your ideas on a piece of paper. How can you recreate sounds for each of these 'incidents'? Record these sound ideas next to the problems – creating a musical score.

Rehearsal and performance

Practice your new story, rehearsing the musical elements along the way using your score. When you are happy with your finished work, you can perform it. You might even want to video it.

Enjoy your music making!