



St John Fisher RC Primary School

Year Four Knowledge Organiser – Spring One – Music

Things I will be taught

Lesson 1-6

- Elvis Presley was a singer of Rock n Roll songs
- How to play and perform solo or ensemble pieces with growing confidence
- How to play Am chord
- I can listen to different genres of music
- I can say what I like and dislike about pieces of music
- The *William Tell Overture* is the overture to the opera *William Tell*, whose music was composed by Gioachino Rossini

Key facts to remember:

- Elvis Presley, known as the "King of Rock 'n' Roll," was a legendary singer who helped popularize this exciting genre of music in the 1950s.
- The Am chord, or A minor chord, is a basic chord that many musicians learn when they start playing guitar or keyboard. It's made up of three notes: A, C, and E. Music comes in many styles, known as genres, such as rock, pop, classical, jazz, and hip-hop.
- By listening to different genres, you can discover what you enjoy and learn about various musical traditions. It's important to share what you like and dislike about pieces of music.
- The "William Tell Overture" is a famous piece of music that serves as the introduction to the opera "William Tell," composed by Gioachino Rossini in 1829.

Key Vocabulary

Stave	A set of five horizontal lines on which musical notes are written. Each line and space represents a different musical pitch, allowing musicians to read and play music accurately.
Pitch	How high or low the sounds are
Tempo	The speed of the music
Dynamics	The volume of the music
Samba	A lively and rhythmic music and dance style originated in Brazil

Elvis Presley	Listening	
Key Knowledge: Elvis Presley, often called the "King of Rock and Roll," was a famous American singer and actor born on January 8, 1935, in Tupelo, Mississippi. He is known for his unique style, combining rock, pop, and country music. Some of his biggest hits include songs like "Jailhouse Rock," "Hound Dog," and "Can't Help Falling in Love." He also starred in several movies, becoming a major star in Hollywood. Sadly, he passed away on August 16, 1977, but his music and influence continue to inspire artists and fans all over the world.	Key Knowledge: The "William Tell Overture" is a famous piece of music composed by Gioachino Rossini in 1829. It was originally written for an opera called "William Tell," which tells the story of a Swiss hero who fights for freedom. The overture has four parts, and the most well-known section is the lively finale, often used in movies and cartoons.	  