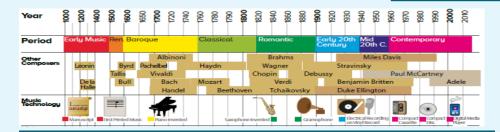
MUSIC — Year 5 Spring

Ukulele tuition





Key vocabulary to remember and use in your learning

body	Main part of a stringed instrument held to the body and the part over which the strings are tensioned (stretched).
chord(s)	A collection of notes played together to create a block of sound.
duet	Two performers playing music together.
ensemble	A group of musicians playing the same piece of music.
fret	The spaces on the neck of a stringed instrument separated by a thin, straight pieces of metal.
head	The 'end' of a stringed instrument attached to the neck.
independent	To play without the assistance of others.
left-handed	To play the strings of an instrument with the left hand.
neck	The long, thin piece of wood coming out from the body of a stringed instrument.

pick	A small piece of plastic moved to-and-fro across the strings to make a sound.
quartet	Four musicians playing together.
quintet	Five musicians playing together.
right-handed	To play the strings of an instrument with the right hand.
solo	To perform and play the lead instrument entirely on one's own or to a musical accompaniment.
strings	Stretched strands of nylon or steel tensioned (stretched) across the body, neck and head of a stringed instrument.
strum	To gently move the fingers or a pick to-and-fro across the strings of a stringed instrument to make a sound.
synchronise	To play together 'in time'.
tuning pegs	Attached to the head of a stringed instrument, holding the tension of the strings for the purpose of tuning them to the desired pitch.

Key knowledge to know and use

- To be able to play accompaniments with control and accuracy
- To identify and remember, by-heart, short melodies and play these on pitched instruments by ear
- To know and name the key features of a range of instruments.

The ukulele is a small guitar-like instrument, seldom more than 24 inches (60 centimeters) long, that is closely associated with the music of Hawaii. The word ukulele means "leaping flea" in Hawaiian.

