



Year One: Mozart

Knowledge Organiser

The Big Idea

Mozart was a famous composer. His music was of the Classical style and we often think of Mozart's music as relaxing and peaceful.

Vocabulary

- Composer
- Musician
- Instrument
- Orchestra
- Pulse
- Rhythm
- Pitch

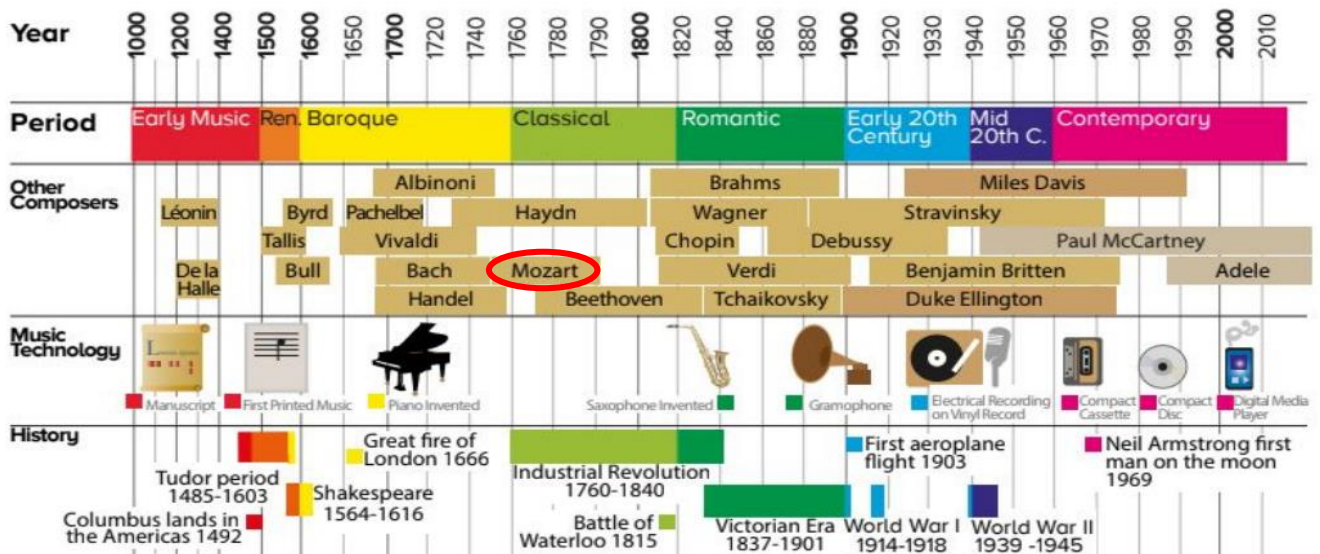
Research the Composer



Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

- Born on 27th January, 1756 in Austria.
- He died in Vienna on 5th December 1791.
- He could play the harpsichord, violin, organ and piano.
- One of his famous opera pieces was called *The Magic Flute*.
- Mozart started playing music in public when he was 6 years old.

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Year Three: Prince Knowledge Organiser

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Florence Prince was a female composer who combined African rhythms with classical music.

Vocabulary

Forte

Piano

Tuned percussion

Untuned percussion

Allegro

Adagio

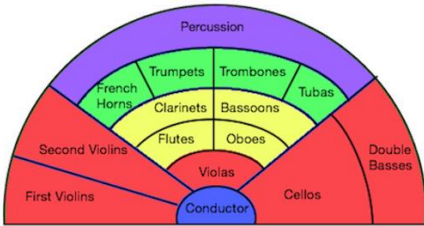
Research the Composer



Florence Price

- Born in 1887 and died in 1953.
- An American composer who made music in the Early 20th Century.
- In 1933 Prince overcame prejudice to become the first black female composer to have her work performed by a major orchestra.

Sections of the orchestra:



Notation



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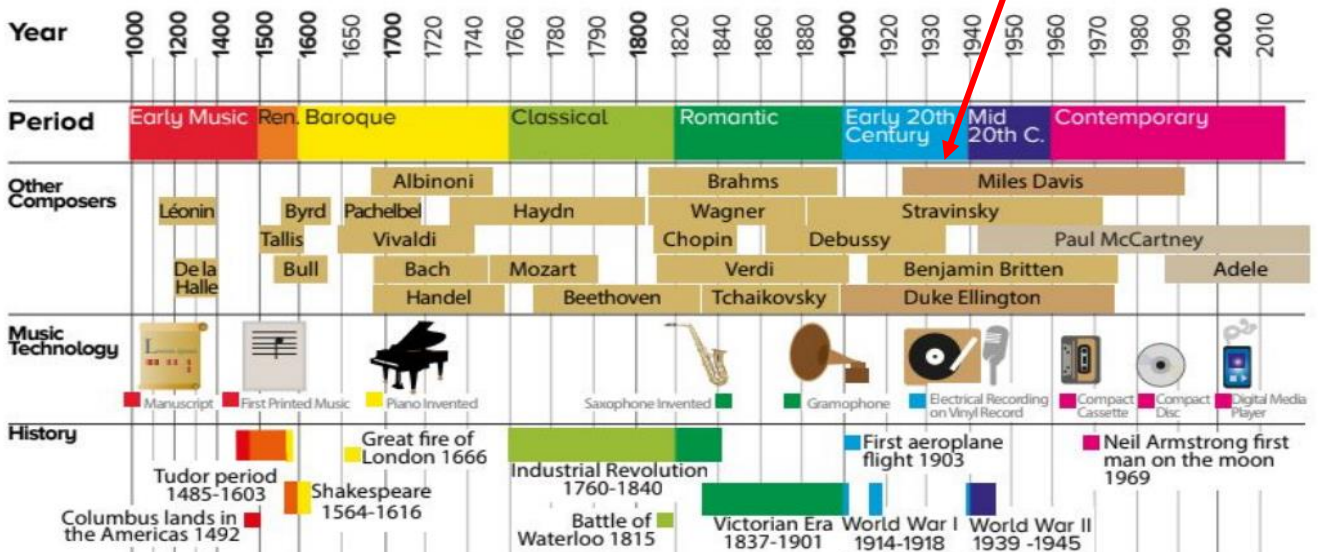
stave



paired quavers

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Florence Prince





Year Four: Coleridge-Taylor

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Samuel Coleridge-Taylor was a British composer and conductor. He composed music combining ideas from African music and the classical tradition.

Vocabulary

Crescendo

Decrescendo

Time signature

Legato

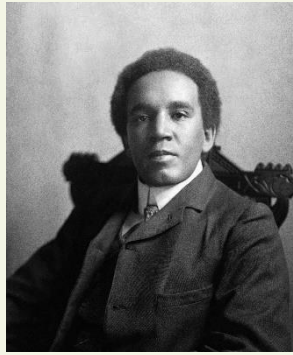
Staccato

Major

Minor

Research the Composer

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor



- Born on 15th August 1875 and died on 1st September 1912.
- He was a British composer. His mother was English and his father was from Sierra Leone.
- Attended the Royal College of Music and learned Composition.
- Grandfather taught him violin from an early age.

Notation

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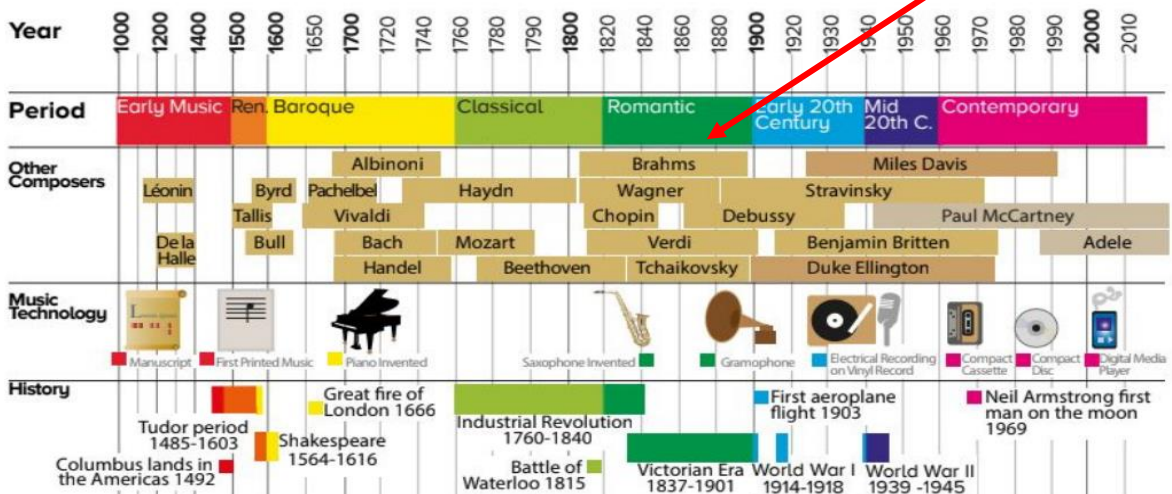
time signature



minim = 2 beat note

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Samuel Coleridge-Taylor





Year Five: Still Knowledge Organiser

The Big Idea

William Grant Still was an American composer of nearly 200 pieces of work. In his famous Symphony no. 1, the style was of jazz and blues.

Vocabulary

Fortissimo

Pianissimo

Mezzo forte

Mezzo piano

Drone

Groove


Research the Composer

- William Grant Still**
- Born on 11th May 1898 and died on 3rd December 1978.
 - He was an American composer and conductor.
 - Still learned to play the violin at age 15. He taught himself to play the clarinet, saxophone, oboe, double bass, cello and viola.



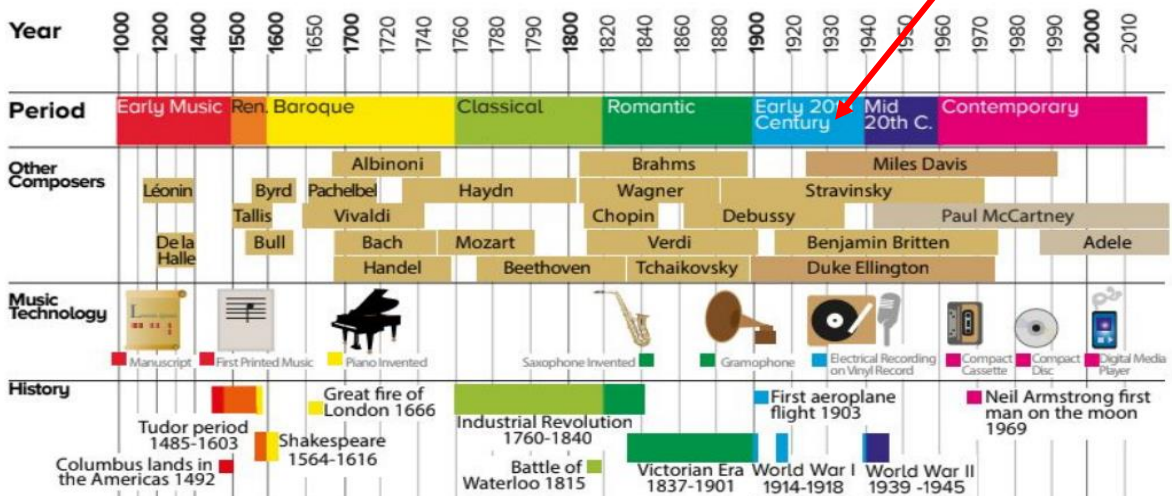
Notation

 Semiquaver = $\frac{1}{4}$ beat note

 Semibreve = 4 beat note

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William Grant Still





Year Six: Britten

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Britten was a leading composer in the mid 20th century. He composed *War Requiem*.

Vocabulary

Syncopations

Pentatonic scale

Octave

Rounds

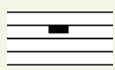
Research the Composer

Edward Benjamin Britten



- Born on 22nd November 1913 and died on 4th December 1976.
- He was a British composer, conductor and pianist.
- Learned to compose as a child.
- Wrote an opera called 'Gloriana' in 1953 to celebrate the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

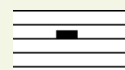
Notation



Semibreve rest = no sound for 4 beats



Quaver rest = no sound for $\frac{1}{4}$ beat



Minim rest = no sound for 2 beats

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Benjamin Britten

