

5th Grade Curriculum Map

First Nine Weeks

Module 1 - Meter

Welcome to Music!

1 Orient students to the music class, review meter concepts, and prepare them for the year ahead.

Meter Review

2 Reinforce students' ability to understand, listen and identify, as well as perform music in multiple meters.

Meter of 6/8

3 Develop students' ability to identify and perform music in a 6/8 meter.

Module 2 - Rhythm

Rhythm Review

4 Introduce eighth-sixteenth note rhythm combinations and Reggae music that uses such rhythms.

Syncopation

5 Explore aspects of syncopation such as singing, playing, and creating syncopated rhythms.

Dotted Note Rhythms

6 Provide a rich experience in identifying, creating, and performing dotted note rhythms and syncopation.

Module 3 - Singing

SATB Music and Bass Clef

7 Develop a greater awareness of SATB Choral music and explore various aspects of the ranges of the four different singing voices.

Descants

8 Develop a better understanding of how descants are used to add harmony and color.

Music from Other Lands

9 Develop a greater awareness of the music from different parts of the world.

Second Nine Weeks

Module 4 - Melody

Sharps and Flats

10 Promote students' understanding of sharps and flats in relation to half steps.

Major Scales and Key Signatures

11 Explore the relationship between half steps, whole steps, and key signatures in major scale patterns.

Improvising on Major Scales

12 Expand students' understanding of major scales through improvisation.

Module 5 - Notation

Notation Symbol Review

13 Review basic music notation fundamentals and introduce D.C. and D.S. al fine.

Use of Accidentals

14 Utilize accidentals by singing and playing instruments.

Use of Dynamics

15 Experience dynamics through singing, moving, and notating.

Module 6 - Listening

Performance Evaluations

16 Develop music evaluation skills.

Rhythm Dictation

17 Develop rhythm dictation skills in meters of 3 and 4.

Identifying Music Styles

18 Identify various music styles through listening.

Third Nine Weeks

Module 7 - Instruments

Symphony Orchestra

19 Explore the instruments of the symphony orchestra with an emphasis on the brass section.

String Family

20 Review the string family with a focus on playing techniques.

Strings and Music Styles

21 Explore how strings are used in various music styles.

Module 8 - The Impressionist Period

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22 Introduce students to Impressionist art and music.

Impressionist Period Music

23 Familiarize students with the characteristics and techniques of Impressionist composers.

Impressionist Period Composers

24 Introduce students to Impressionist period composers and their music.

Module 9 - Chords and Harmony

Chords & Harmony Review

25 Reinforce students' aural ability to distinguish between chords and chordal progressions in country music.

Major vs. Minor Chord Review

26 Review the sound and construction of major and minor chords through singing, writing, and playing instruments.

Progressions Using I, IV, and V

27 Experience simple chord progressions using popular music.

Fourth Nine Weeks

Module 10 - The Commercial Project

Creating a Commercial Project

28 Begin the process of creating a commercial jingle project.

Our Product

29 Choosing a product and writing an advertisement.

Composing Our Live Music

30 Create and perform live music to enhance the effectiveness of their commercial jingle.

Module 11 - The Commercial Project

Creating Our Jingle

31 Create music for a commercial jingle project.

Putting It All Together

32 Combine the elements from the four previous lessons into a rehearsed presentation.

The Performance

33 Integrate all commercial project elements from the last five lessons into a live performance.

Module 12 - Year-End Review

Keyword and Activity Review

34 Review keywords and favorite songs learned during the school year through singing, playing, and moving.

Year-End Assessment and Favorite Songs Review

35 Assess students' knowledge of keywords and concepts learned during the school year.

Family Day

36 Showcase students' musical progress made during the course of the school year.