#### NCFE Level 1/2 Technical Award in Music Technology (603/7008/7)

Teacher\Department		Content area	1: Introduction to music technology and the music business
Guided Learning Hours (GLH)	24 GLH	Lessons	24 x 1 hour lesson

#### **Teaching content**

- 1 Introduction to music technology and the music business
  - 1.1 Introduction to music technology and the music business
    - 1.1.1 Roles and responsibilities
  - 1.2 Development of music technology
  - 1.3 Music business
    - 1.3.1 Marketing
    - 1.3.2 Promotion
    - 1.3.3 Selling and distributing music

#### **Opportunities to embed English and maths**

Writing: spelling and grammar (Lessons 1-3, 6-10, 12, 13, 15 - 24)

Discussion (All lessons)

Oracy (All lessons)

Maths (Lessons 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17)

#### Opportunities to embed equality and diversity

Musical artists and roles (Lessons 1-6, 9, 13, 15, 16)



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1	Starter Activity: 5 minutes Question: "How many steps do you think are involved in getting music from an artist to the audience?"  Ask learners to consider what they think all the possible steps would be from artist to audience. For example, how does a piece of music get from a musician having an idea for a song to it being available to listen to and purchase?  *Learners could write their ideas down on a mini-whiteboard or think, pair & share.  Possible learner responses: musical artist, composer/songwriter, lyricist, arranger, session musician, sound designer, DJ, producer, beatmaker, technician, engineer, manager, publicist, artist and repertoire (A&R), record label, mix engineer, recording engineer, streaming services, publishing services, manufacturing of physical CDs/vinyl.  Stretch & Challenge: Justify the reasoning behind the order that you have put the steps in.  Get learners to give their answers and justify their reasoning for the order. For example: producer/beatmaker could come before lyricist or vice versa depending on the writing process.  What will you learn: You must be able to:  List the main roles within the music business.  Describe the responsibilities of the roles. You may also be able to:	Mini whiteboards, flipchart/whitebo ard or similar.  Computers or workbooks.	Whole class discussion. Cold calling learners to share ideas.  Getting learners to justify the reasoning for their choices and challenge others.	1.1.1



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	<ul> <li>Create your own job descriptions for different roles.</li> <li>Compose an application for a job description.</li> </ul>			
	Subject Content: Roles & Responsibilities: Introduce the topic area making sure that learners understand what a consumer means in a business context.			
	Ask learners to name some musical artists, then use the next slide to show examples and listen to their work.			
	<b>Reflective Question:</b> Can a musical artist ever be responsible for more than what is listed above?			
	Possible learner responses: A musical artist could also be responsible for: being their own lyricist/songwriter, producing their music, being their own manager, being a mix engineer.			
	Ask learners to think about all of the possible roles they can think of within the music business.			
	Scribe these onto the whiteboard/flipchart, either as the teacher or facilitate with a learner scribing.			
	Then show the learners the next slide with the roles that will be explored throughout this content area.			
	In this lesson learners will focus on the following roles: musical artist, composer, songwriter, lyricist, arranger, session musician and sound designer.			



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	Get learners to read out the definitions and responsibilities of the roles on the following slides. Ensuring that keywords are explored.  *Learners should listen to the song examples listed where possible.  Activity 1 - 20 minutes: Create two job descriptions for two different roles from the list we have looked at so far.  You must include:  • What previous experience and knowledge is required.  • What skills are essential and desired for the job.  • What the successful applicant will be responsible for.		Using information learnt to apply to a scenario to demonstrate understandin g of roles.	
	Stretch and Challenge: Write a paragraph responding to one of your job descriptions as an applicant.  Show the example job description on the next slide for a technician. Note that this is not inclusive of all content but should be a guide for how learners should layout their work.  Get learners to evaluate the successfulness of the job description against the success criteria.  Possible responses include:  WWW:  Covered all areas Includes correct skills for job		Learners evaluate the successfulne ss of the job description.	



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	<ul> <li>Formatted clearly</li> <li>Using correct formal language and punctuation</li> <li>EBI</li> <li>Include all of the skills, experience and responsibilities.</li> <li>Feedback:         <ul> <li>Get learners to share one of the job descriptions they have created with the class. Question other learners to explain if and why the job description is suitable or unsuitable.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Progress check:         <ul> <li>Get learners to answer this short quiz in the workbook:</li></ul></li></ul>		Leaners will present their JDs to the class or teacher and evaluate their suitability. Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	
	ESSENTIAL  b. Being able to compose music NON-ESSENTIAL  c. Having recording/performing experience ESSENTIAL			



d. Being able to arrange music - NON-ESSENTIAL  Lesson recap: Can you now:  List the main roles within the music business; Describe the responsibilities of the roles; Create your own job descriptions for different roles; Compose an application for a job description.		
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This would be a great opportunity to randomly question learners on the lesson objectives or to get them to prepare for an exit question.  For example:  • name a role and the responsibilities? • explain what is required in a job description?  Home study: Further Reading:  Learners could visit sites such as prospects.ac.uk and search careers in music.  This page contains lots of useful information on how to get into different careers in the music business.  Choose one job role or career path and make notes in your workbook.  At the start of our next lesson, we will discuss what you have researched.	Exit que	stion.



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	End of Lesson			
2	Starter Activity: 5 minutes  As learners come in have this slide on the board.  Ask learners to see how many of the boxes they can answer independently. Then use random questioning to get learners to choose a box and explain.  Possible learner responses:  Give one reason why an artist might collaborate with songwriters?  - To help them write melodies  - To help them write lyrics  - To write better songs/be more successful  Give one example of an essential skill for a session musician.  - To play at least one instrument professionally  - Have recording/performing experience  If you wanted to write a song, who would you need to hire?  - Composer  - Lyricist	Powerpoint Workbook Computer	Direct questioning.	1.1.1
	- Songwriter  Define: Consumer  - Someone who purchases goods and services for personal use.  I am responsible for creating sound effects for a local theatre company.			
	What is my role? - Sound Designer			



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	Give one reason why an artist would hire an arranger?  To improve your songwriting To give a different persepctive To arrange your song for instruments that you do not play Reflective Question: How many of these roles can you remember and what were they responsible for?  Learners should recall: Musical artist, Composer, Songwriter, Lyricist, Arranger, Session Musician & Sound Designer.  What will you learn: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: List all of the different roles in the music business. Describe their responsibilities. Match roles with responsibilities. Match roles with responsibilities. You may also be able to: Design your own press release. Create a playlist for an event following a theme.  Subject Content: Roles & Responsibilities Show the slide covering all of the Roles that learners must know.  In this lesson learners will focus on the following roles: DJ, Producer, Technician, Engineer, Manager, Publicist & Artist and Repertoire.		Learners recalling content from previous lesson. Opportunity to remove misconceptio ns.	



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	Get learners to read out the definitions and responsibilities of the roles on the following slides. Ensuring that keywords are explored as well as any examples listened to.			
	Remixes On this slide there are two examples of remixes.			
	Get learners to listen to a short extract from each and ask the <b>Reflective Question</b> as to why they think the remixes have been more successful?			
	Possible learner responses include:		Using	
	Activity 1: Publicist 15 minutes Choose one artist or band of your choice. It is your job to write a press release for their upcoming album release. Your work must:  • Use persuasive language. • Include all of the key information about the artist and album. • Be clear and concise.		information learnt to apply to a real world scenario.	
	<b>Stretch and Challenge:</b> Write a short musical review of a new song of your choice.			



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	Question: Ask learners what they understand by persausive language and how it can be used.  - To encourage someone to think or do something Use of repetition.  Show learners the example on the next slide of what their work could look like.  Feedback: Select some learners to share their press release with the class. Ask learners to evaluate the effectiveness of the work Have they included all of the relevant information? - Have they persuaded the reader this is a good album? - Have they used persuasive language? - Have they used appropriate language for the artist?  Activity 2: DJ 15 minutes  You have been hired to DJ for a local music venue, the theme of the event is summer. They have asked you to create a sample playlist of 10 songs.  Your playlist must: - Fit the theme of the event - Include a range of styles and genres - Have the most popular songs near the end		Learners evaluting and giving feedback on successfulne ss of press release.	content
	Stretch & Challenge: Give reasons for your song choices. This could be musical e.g., tempo, use of instruments or lyric content.  Feedback:			



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				Peer assessment of work.  Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	
	Role	Organising gigs			
		Developing artists			
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	Role					
	Lyricist/Songwriter	Writing lyrics				
	Engineer	Setting up microphones				
	Technician	Fixing equipment				
	Publicist	Organising interviews and TV appearances				
	<ul><li>Describe the</li><li>Match roles v</li><li>Design your</li></ul>	e different roles in the music business. eir responsibilities. with responsibilities. own press release. ylist for an event following a theme.				
	Use the website you	utube-dj.com to test out your playlist that you you to mix two songs together like a DJ woul				



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3	Previous Lesson: In our previous lesson we looked at the following roles: DJ. Producer. Technician. Engineer. Manager. Publicist. Artist and Repertoire. Reflective question: Define what each of these roles are and give one responsibility for each.  Get learners to think, pair & share with people around them. Use direct quesitoning to recap with learners.  Starter Activity: 5 minutes Recording Music: How is music recorded today? What technology is used?  Learners could complete this activity with a partner or independently.  Get them to think about what they would need to be able to record a piece of music today.  Possible learner responses: Use of computers; DAWs (Digital Audio Workstations) such as Logic, Garageband, Cubase	PowerPoint, Workbook.	Whole class discussion.  Direct questioning.	1.2



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	<ul> <li>Digital recording</li> <li>Use of mobile devices; Garageband for iOS.</li> <li>Cloud based platforms; Bandlab,</li> <li>Mixing desks</li> <li>Microphones</li> </ul> Stretch and Challenge: How was music recorded in the 1950s?			
	Possible learner responses:      No computers     Tape     Vinyl records     Microphones			
	What you will learn: By the end of the lesson  You must be able to:			
	<ul> <li>Define analogue</li> <li>Explain how analogue recording technology works</li> <li>You may also be able to:</li> <li>Illustrate how a tape machine works</li> <li>Recognise characteristics of analogue tape recording through listening</li> </ul>			
	Subject Content: Analogue Tape Recording  Key terms:		Identifying key terms through listening.	



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	Analgoue: a continuous signal. dB: Decibels Amplitude: The maximum extent of a vibration.			
	It is important that learners understand that in analogue recording the audio signal is captured as a continuous signal, whereas in digital recordings it is not.  Labelling axis: Learners may incorrectly label the axis with pitch, frequency or length.  When introducing the concept of artefacts that can be caused by analogue tape, get learners to listen to The Penguins: Earth Angel (1954). This contains tape hiss and distortion which is clearly audible throughout.  You could get learners to stand up when they hear an artefact and share it with the class.  Slide 12: YouTube Channel: macProVideoDotCom Video Name: Audio Concepts 107: Analog Tape Recording - 3. Physics of Tape This video explains how analogue tape recording works.  Watch until 2:50.  Activity 1: How a tape machine works 15 minutes You need to describe and explain how analogue tape recording works. Your work must:  • Use diagrams • Use correct terminology		Learners demonstratin g understaning of analogue tape through illustration of key concepts.	



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	Learners should be able to use diagrams to show demonstrate how an analogue signal works and how this signal is recorded onto analogue tape.  If learners need support you can use the subject content slides to support them.  Stretch and challenge: Why do some artists still choose to use analogue tape recording in modern recordings?  Possible learner repsosnes:		Peer feedback and teacher checking for misconceptions. Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	



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	Feedback: Learners could explain how a tape machine works to each other to embed their understanding but also to check for errors.  This will allow you to circulate the room and check for any misconceptions.  Progress check:  1. Noise and distortion are both examples of what?  Artefacts 2. How many heads are there on a tape machine?  Erase, Play & Record 3. Define Analogue.  Continues Signal 4. What does dB stand for?  Decibels 5. A tape machine captures audio by turning an electrical signal into what type of signal?  Magnetic 6. To begin with, how many tracks did a tape machine have?  1-2 Tracks.  Marks out of 8.			
	Lesson recap: Can you now? Define analogue Explain how analogue recording technology works Illustrate how a tape machine works			



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	Recognise characteristic	cs of analogue tape recording	through listening			
	Home Study: Find and listen to one song that was recorded during the 1950s.  See if you can identify where you can hear artefacts caused by analogue tape recording.  You could use YouTube, Spotify or the Radio to find your song.					
	Song Example: Lead Belly: Where Did You Sle	eep Last Night?				
	Artefact:	Time heard:				
	Tape hiss	Throughout the recording				
	Tape distortion	Louder phrases of vocal				
	Tape dropout/damaged tape	16 seconds on the acoustic guitar				
	End of lesson.					
4	Starter Activity: 5 minutes Play learners Elvis Presley: The What characteristics of analogu	• ,	cording?	PowerPoint, Workbook, Computers/DA W, Headphones, Whiteboard/flipc hart.	Whole class discussion.	1.2



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	Tape hiss throughout the recording	Tape distortion on the loudest parts of the vocals			
	Tape distortion on the drums	Tape distortion on the electric guitar throughout			
	Tape distortion on the electric guitar during louder phrases	Tape dropout			
	Tape hiss during introduction only	Tape distortion on all of the vocals			
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: Describe the main features of Dire Define destructive editing You may also be able to: Create your own destructive edit o Analyse recordings to identify ana				
	Previous Lesson: In our last lesson we looked at how analo How many of these key terms can you rei	• . •		Recalling key terms from last lesson.	
	Get a learner to scribe on whiteboard/flipo this is a good opportunity to embed spelling				
	Learners should recall:				



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	Analogue signal: Continuous signal Noise: Unwanted sound called tape hiss Artefacts: Unwanted sounds caused by the tape machine Distortion: When an audio signal is too loud Amplitude: The maximum extent of a vibration. Decibel: The amount of pressure a sound has (volume). Amplify: To increase the volume of a signal.  Subject Content: Direct to tape: c.1930 – 1963 Go through the content on the slides about this era of recording, making sure that learners understand the key words and definitions.  When explaining stereo and mono you could use an example of a mono and stereo version of a recording. For example, The Beach Boys: Wouldn't It Be Nice has a mono and stereo version.  Play learners The Beatles: I Saw Her Standing There (1963) The count in is from an entirely different take to the rest of the song.  Reflective Question: How do you think this achieved? What were the advantages and disadvantages?  Possible learner responses:  Cutting tape Sticking it back together Saved studio time Band don't need to be there Cannot be reversed		Questioning.	



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	<ul> <li>Easy to make wrong cut</li> <li>Very difficult to do</li> <li>Recorded at different tempos</li> </ul>		Outcome of practical task.	
	Activity 1: Destructive Editing You will be given two takes of a recording. In one take there is a mistake. Using the second take splice the two pieces of audio together in your DAW to create a seamless edit.			
	Stretch and challenge:  Try to do this without looking and just listening.  You cannot use the undo function.			
	To complete this activity, you will need:			
	Not have any pops or clicks     Will not be noticeable     Will stay in time			
	Your teacher will demonstrate how to do this in your DAW now.		Self-reflection /evaluation.	
	Use the supplied audio files <b>Take 1.wav</b> and <b>Take 2.wav</b> .			



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	In Take 1.wav at 12 seconds there is a mistake which needs to be cut.  Take 2 has a count in and then what should have been played.  However, take 2 is at a slightly slower tempo to mimic realistic recordings of the era.			
	Learners should have their zoom far out so they cannot see the waveforms.		1	
	To make it a more realistic challenge they shouldn't use the undo function.		Learners identifying	
	Once learners have completed their edit they should share with the class.		characteristic s.	
	Then get learners to reflect on the task:  - What was difficult about the task?  - What problems did you encounter?  - How would you avoid these problems?			
	They can write their responses in their workbook.  Feedback: Learners should, if possible, play their edits out loud to the class and explain how they found the task.			
	Other learners can evaluate how successful they think the edit was.			
	Activity 2: Song Analysis Listen to the following songs:  1. Dion & The Belmonts: A Teenager in Love (1959)  2. Chuck Berry: Johnny B. Goode (1959) Create a list of the characteristics of analogue recording technology you can hear.			



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	Stretch and challenge: Find one other song from 1930-1963 and list what characteristics of analogue recording technology you can hear.			
	Progress Check:  1. It is possible to undo an edit to tape. FALSE 2. During this era songs were recorded in stereo. FALSE 3. Tape could be reused without the quality being affected. FALSE 4. Performers had to be well rehearsed. TRUE 5. It was very easy to splice takes together. FALSE  /5  Stretch and Challenge: Prove why a statement is true or false. Possible learner responses: 1. False because it is a destructive process. 2. False because there were only 2 tracks, everything was mixed to mono to have more control over balance. Consumers only listened in mono. 3. False, tape would degrade in quality every time it was used. This led to more artefacts in older tape. 4. True, because studio time was expensive, could fix mistakes in post editing. 5. False, was a difficult process, no visual representation.  Lesson recap: Can you now:  • Describe the main features of Direct to tape era		Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	
	<ul> <li>Define destructive editing</li> <li>Create your own destructive edit of a recording</li> </ul>			



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	Analyse recordings to identify analogue recording characteristics			
	Home Study: Watch the video Recording, '50s Style on YouTube.  The channel is Sound on Sound Magazine.			
	This short documentary showcases a recording studio in Essex showing recordings using 1950s recording equipment.			
	Make notes in your workbook about how they used microphones and positioning to capture the best quality recording.			
	End of lesson.			
5	Starter Activity: 5 minutes As learners come in have this slide on the board. Ask learners to see how many of the boxes they can answer independently. Then use random questioning to get learners to choose a box and explain.	PowerPoint, Headphones,Co mputer/DAW, Workbook.		1.2
	This activity will ask the learners to recall information learnt from across the previous lessons.		Random questioning, assessing	
	Possible learner responses:		learners	



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	Name one type of artefact caused by analogue tape.  - Distortion, tape hiss, noise.  Define mono.  - 1 channel of audio.  Name the three heads on a tape machine.  - Erase, record & play.  Define stereo.  - 2 channels of audio.  Give one thing that you could change about a song when remixing it.  - Tempo  - Instrumentation  - Arrangement  - Style/genre  - Key  Who would be responsible for repairing equipment for a touring band?  - Technician		ability to recall prior learning.	
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  Outline the main characteristics of early multitrack recording Explain how reduction mixing works You may also be able to: Create your own mix using reduction mixing methods Evaluate how successful a mix is			



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	Subject Content: Early Multitrack Recording Key term: multitrack recording.  Ensure that learners understand this key term.  Go through the content on the slides with learners stopping to question and discuss key terms.  The Beach Boys: Pet Sounds (1966)  It would be useful to get learners to listen to a song from this album, with headphones if possible, or a good set of monitors. So that they can hear the difference in quality.  The Beach Boys: Pet Sounds (1966)  This critically acclaimed album used multitrack tape machines to facilitate its innovative production.  Reflective Question: What is now possible because of multitrack recording? What has this allowed musicians to do?  Possible learner responses:  - More instruments - Stereo recording - Higher quality - More experimentation - Longer recordings		Learners ability to analyse and hear differences in recording quality.	content



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	- Less artefacts			
	Reflective Question: What are the advantages and disadvantages of reduction mixing?  Possible learner repsones:  - More tracks - Better quality - More interesting recording - Experimentation - Destructive - Cannot undo - Loss in quality if tape is reused a lot - Issues with synchronisation			
	Activity 1: Reuction Mixing 20 minutes You will be given 8 tracks of audio from a band recording.		Learners	
	You must act as if you can only work within the limits of this era.		ability to work within	
	You should use reduction mixing techniques to balance the tracks and bounce them down.		construct of era limitations.	
	Remember, you only have 4 tracks available at any time.		Application of knowledge	
	Your teacher will demonstrate this using your DAW now.		learnt.	
	Your reduction mix will be successful if:  • All instruments can be heard clearly throughout		outcome.	



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	<ul> <li>You make use of the stereo field through hard panning</li> <li>You stick to the limitations of the era (4 tracks at a time)</li> </ul>			
	Stretch and challenge: You cannot use the undo function.			
	Feedback: Get learners to export their projects to a suitable audio format. Randomly select learners to playback their mixes. Show the feedback slide to prompt learners.  • How successful is the mix?  • What challenged did you encounter?  • Are their any benefits to working in this way?  • What further challenges would be introduced when using real tape machines?		Learners applying information learnt and apply to real world scenario.	
	Progress check: Reduction mixing is the process of bouncing down multiple tracks from one tape machine to another.  This process means that in theory you can have unlimited tracks.  One advantage of this method is that you can record instruments separately, this is called overdubbing.		Self/peer reflection/eval uation.	
	One disadvantage of this method is that the <b>quality</b> of the tape will <b>reduce</b> , the more that you reuse the tape.  /6			



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	Learning Recap: Can you now:  Outline the main characteristics of early multitrack recording Explain how reduction mixing works Create your own mix using reduction mixing methods Evaluate how successful a mix is  Home Study: Listening Log Choose and analyse one song from the early multitrack era (1963-1969).  What characteristics can you hear of early multitrack recording?  End of lesson.		Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	



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6	Starter Activity: 5 minutes Early Multitrack Recording:  • Give three advantages of early multi-track recording Possible learner responses:  • More experimentation  • Higher quality recordings  • Better isolation  • Allowed for stereo  • More complex textures  • Give three disadvantages of early multi-track recording Possible learner responses:  • Quality of tape reduces as used more  • Increases amount of distortion/noise  • Difficulty synchronising tape machines  • Requires two tape machines  • Requires technician to manage  • Means you may not be able to play live	PowerPoint, Workbook, Computers.	Direct questioning, whole class discussion.	1.2
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson			



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	You must be able to:		Learner discussion.	
	Slide 7: Drum Kit with multiple microphones		Learners	
	<b>Reflective question:</b> What are the possible advantages and disadvantages of using multiple microphones?		analysing and applying knowledge.	
	Possible learner responses:			



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	- Better quality capture - More choice over sound - More options - Takes time to set up - Need lots of micorphones - Complicated set up - Slide 8: Drum kit with only 2 microphones. Reflective question: What affect do you think that using only 2 microphones would have had on the sound of the recording?  Possible learner responses: - Less flexibilty of sound - Will sound distant - Lower quality - Less impact from kick and snare			
	Fleetwood Mac: The Chain (1977) The band scrapped the original verse and chorus and wrote an entirely new song around the riff at the end.  If possible get learners to listen to this recording. Pointing out the dramatic increase in quality as well as how the song has been affected by the technology. If this had been written/recorded in the previous era it would have been a compeltely different song.			



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	Activity 1: 24 Track Recording 30 minutes  Create a one page fact file or poster that explains how 24 track multitrack recordings works.  Your work should:  Explain how tape recording works  Identify the main advantages of using 24 tracks  Describe how the stereo field was used  Identify what impact the technology had on recorded music  Feedback:		Learners presenting knowledge learnt in their own words.  Verbal feedback on	
	Ciruclate whilst learners are completing the task to provide verbal feedback on their work.		work produced.	
	If you have time it would be good to get some learners to present their work to the class to reinforce understanding.		Peer/teacher assessment of presented work.	
	Progress check: True or False			
	1. Stereo field is where a sound is placed between the speakers.			
	TRUE  2. 24 track recording uses 2 Inch tape. TRUE		Learners self assessing score on	
	There are no artefacts when using 24 track recording.  FALSE		progress check.	
	4. Overdubbing was commonplace during this era.  TRUE      5. There would always be more than 2 microphones on a drum kit.		Logged in workbook.	

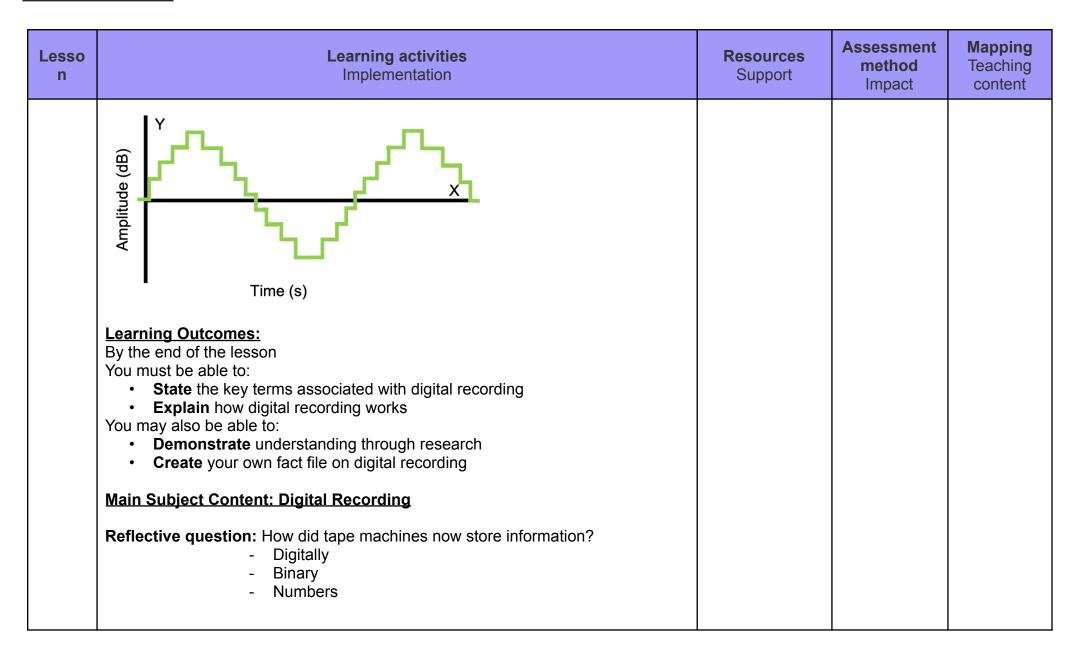


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	FALSE 6. 24 track recording is the only era where stereo recording was possible. FALSE			
	Learning Recap: Can you now:     Explain how tape recording works     Identify the main advantages of using 24 tracks     Identify what impact the technology had on recorded music     Apply your knowledge to an unfamiliar song			
	<ul> <li>Home Study:</li> <li>Watch the following videos on YouTube and make notes on:</li> <li>How 24 track tape worked?</li> <li>Why the width of the tape was important?</li> <li>What the process was involved with editing tape</li> <li>How a mixer linked to the tape</li> </ul>			
	Video 1: 2 Inch 24 Track Tape, Channel Name: AudioMover Video 2: Editing Analog Tape Multitrack, Channel Name: Biased Audio			
	End of lesson.			
7	Starter Activity: 8 minutes  1. What is an analogue signal?  A continuous signal  2. What is a digital signal?  Represented as a stream of numbers (on / off messages)	PowerPoint, Workbook, mini whiteboard.	Learners showing visually using whiteboards.	1.2



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	3. How is digital information stored?  Binary 0s and 1s		Score in workbook.	
	3. a)		Direct questioning.	
	Y Time (dB)			
	4. b)			







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	When explaining how digital recording works, it is important to emphasis that it is the way the audio is stored that makes it digital <b>not</b> what it is stored on.		Direct/rando m questioning.	
	Reflective question: What pieces of equipment today have ADCs in them?  - Mobile/smart phones  - Tablets  - Computers  - Laptops		Think Pair share/circulati on of teacher.	
	When talking about digital tape and HDDs it would be useful to show learners images of these pieces of hardware as it is unlikely that they will be familiar with them.			
	Reflective question: What potential problems are there with a storage device having moving parts?  - Parts will break - Will not last forever - Wear and tear - Noise			
	Reflective question: What are the potential benefits of storing audio digitally?			
	<ul><li>No analogue artefacts</li><li>Higher quality of audio</li></ul>		Learners using	
	Activity 1: DASH Research In 1982 Sony introduced Digital Audio Stationary Head (DASH).		research skills to	



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	<ul> <li>Use research to: <ul> <li>find out how this system worked.</li> <li>compare the similarities and differences between this system and 24 track analogue tape recording from the previous era.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Your work should use: images, bullet points and be no more than one page.</li> </ul> Stretch and challenge: Can you find any examples of albums/songs that were recorded using the DASH system?		expand knowledge of digital recording.  Learners putting research into context.	
	Activity Feedback: Learners could get into pairs or small groups and be given the task of sharing information from each of the different areas they should have covered.  1. How digital recording works.  2. Find out how this system worked.  3. Similarities between this system and 24 track analogue tape recording from the previous era.  4. Differences between this system and 24 track analogue tape recording from the previous era.		Whole class assessment of work/peer assessment.	
	Learners that are not presenting can add information to their work whilst listening to presentations.			
	Any misconceptions can be discussed during this feedback.  Progress Check: Sort the following statements into the correct category. Analogue Recording Digital Recording		Learners self assessing score on progress	



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	<ul> <li>Stores information as binary data</li> <li>Will add artefacts to the audio</li> <li>Contains moving parts</li> <li>Will not add artefacts to the audio</li> <li>Uses tape to store information</li> <li>Uses HDD to store information</li> <li>Stores audio as a continuous signal</li> </ul>			check. Logged in workbook.	
	Analogue Recording	Digital Recording			
	Will add artefacts to the audio	Will not add artefacts to the audio			
	Contains m	oving parts			
	Stores audio as a continuous signal	Stores information as binary data			
	Uses tape to st	ore information			
		Uses HDD to store information			
	NB. This task requires learners to really think about the statements as some belong to both categories.  Both types contain moving parts and can use tape to store information.				



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	Learning Recap: Can you now:			
	Home Study: Find out what Nyquist's theorem is and why it is important for digital recording.  Write your findings in your workbook.			
	End of lesson.			
8	Starter Activity: 5 minutes Write down everything that you can remember from our last lesson.  Digital Tape Binary Data Hard Disc Drives Analogue Digital Converters (ADC) Sony Digital Audio Stationary Head (DASH)	PowerPoint, Workbook.	Recall of previous learning. Direct Questioning.	1.2
	Ask learners to share with the class and teacher or learner can facilitate writing these down.			



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	Previous Lesson Home Study: Although this is not detailed in the specification it is good context for learners for digital recording.  In your home study you were asked to find out:  • What Nyquist's theorem is?			
	Why it is important for digital recording?  If learners have completed the home study they can explain to the class or their partner what they have discovered. Then on the next slide you can go through the main points.  It would be a good idea to do a hearing range test to demonstrate the range of			
	It would be a good idea to do a hearing range test to demonstrate the range of human hearing.  You can raise the point that as you age, your hearing will decrease in the higher frequencies naturally.			
	However, by exposing yourself to loud music for extended periods of time you will damage your hearing.  Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: State what Nyquist's theorem is Define ADAT Describe how ADAT works			



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	You may also be able to:  • Demonstrate why ADAT is still relevant in modern recording			
	<ul> <li>Main Subject Content: Alesis Digital Audio Tape This lesson will start with an acitivty for students to answer questions. As a class the feedback will then come from an explanation of Alessis Digital Audio Tape in the subject content that comes afterwards. </li> <li>Activity 1: ADAT 15 minutes Find the answer to the following questions: <ol> <li>What does ADAT stand for?</li> <li>What format does ADAT record to?</li> <li>How many tracks were available on a single ADAT machine?</li> <li>How much did ADAT systems cost?</li> <li>How did ADAT machines use Fiber Optics?</li> <li>Why was the popularity of ADAT machines short lived: what replaced them?</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		Reversed learning. Learners will then feedback findings to the class.	
	Stretch and challenge: Why is ADAT still relevant in modern recording systems?			
	Feedback: First ask learners to share what they found out with the person next to them.		Immediate assessment of	
	Then get learners to share answers to questions.		understandin g of questions	



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	Now use the content information on the following slides to cover the information with the class. Learners should update any information from their work.		and key terminology.	
	Progress Check: ADAT stands for Alesis Digital Audio Tape. It originally used VCRs to store digital audio. However, this was soon made obsolete by HDDs.  ADAT machines were capable of recording up to 8 tracks of digital audio. They could be synchronised using an optical cable to have up to 128 tracks.		This is then consolidated when learners self assess using content on following slides.	
	ADAT technology is still used today to sychronise <b>audio interfaces</b> in modern recording systems.  //		Learners self assessing score on progress	
	Learning Recap: Can you now: State what Nyquist's theorem is Define ADAT Describe how ADAT works Demonstrate why ADAT is still relevant in modern recording		check. Logged in workbook.	
	Home Study: Go to www.soundonsound.com Use the search bar in the top right hand corner and type in: 'Steinberg Cubase Score' Open the first article from 1996.			



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	Read the article and summarise what Cubase Score is.			
	Answer the following: What does DAW stand for?  End of lesson.			
9	Starter Activity: 5 minutes Look at the image on the right. What can you see?  Possible learner responses:  - Laptop - Computer - Tablet - DAW - Music software - Beats - Producer - Recording software	PowerPoint, Workbook,	Whole class discussion of image. Gauging learners understandin g of DAWs.	1.2



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	Music making software  What impact has this technology had on music recording? Made it easier to create music Anyone can make music Cheaper to make music Portable Oversaturated music  Learning Outcomes:  By the end of the lesson  You must be able to:  • Define DAW			
	Describe the impact that DAWs have had on music production You may also be able to:     Support your statements with examples			
	Main Subject Content: Digital Audio Workstations			
	Slide 6: Every time audio goes into a DAW it is converted into binary data and every time it plays something back out to speakers or headphones it converts this binary data back to an analogue signal.			
	Slide 8: Musicians such as <b>Jacob Collier</b> regularly use hundreds of tracks in their music. His song <b>Sleeping On My Dreams</b> is a good example of this.			
	Show learners one of Jacob Colliers songs. There are also project walkthroughs showing the number of tracks.			
	Reflective question: Is having this number of tracks beneficial to the song?			



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	Activity 1:  Using your knowledge and research describe the impact that Digital Audio Workstations (DAWs) have had on music production.  Think about:  Benefits  Negatives  Advancement of technology  Accessibility  Quality of music  Your work should:  Be no more than one page.  Include images where appropriate.  Describe what impacted the use of DAWs has had on recording music.  Describe the benefits and negatives of using a DAW.  Describe how the quality of recorded music has changed.  Your work may:  Use sources, quotes or examples to support your statements.  Feedback:  This could be whole class or small groups, working together to create a list like below:		Learners evaluating statement.  Learners working together to create table of benefits/negatives.	



Lesso n		Learning activities Implementation		Assessment method Impact	Mapping Teaching content
	Benefits	Negatives			
	<ul> <li>Unlimited tracks</li> <li>High quality recording</li> <li>Non-destructive editing</li> <li>Affordable or free</li> <li>Anyone with a computer/laptop/mobile device can create music</li> <li>Most devices are now powerful enough to run a basic DAW</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Requires powerful computer for large projects</li> <li>Can focus attention less on how music sounds and more how it looks</li> <li>Have to know how to use complicated software</li> <li>Software can crash mid recording</li> <li>Lacks imperfections</li> <li>Music can be overproduced/oversaturated</li> </ul>			
	Learners that have completed the stretch and challenge can add supporting statements to their list.  These can then be presented.  Progress Check:  1. Give one benefit of using non-destructive editing. 2. Initially, how many tracks could you use in a DAW? 3. How many tracks can you now use in a DAW? 4. What is the limiting factor when using a DAW? 5. What type of ADC is needed when using a DAW to record? 6. Other than requiring a powerful computer when creating large projects, give one negative of using a DAW. 7. Describe one way in which DAWs have affected the way music is produced.			Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	
	1. Can go a step back; re-join audio.				



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	<ol> <li>4 tracks.</li> <li>1000 (virtually unlimited)</li> <li>The hardware inside your computer.</li> <li>Audio Interface</li> <li>Using complicated software, software can crash, overproduced sound.</li> <li>Virtually anyone can have access to the ability to make music, can be made on the move, portable, no need for large expensive hardware. /7</li> </ol>			
	Learning Recap: Can you now: Define DAW Describe the impact that DAWs have had on music production Support your statements with examples			
	Home Study: For the DAW that we use, INSERT DAW NAME, create a list of the most useful key commands that fit onto one page. You will use these in future lessons when using your DAW. You can find this information in the manual from the manufacturer's website or from YouTube videos.			
	End of lesson.			
10	Starter Activity: 5 minutes What does the word synthetic mean? What does the word sample mean?	PowerPoint, Workbook, access to computer/headp	Direct questioning.	1.2



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	Synthetic Something that is human made and not naturally occurring.  Sample A part of something, intended to show what the whole is like.  Learning Outcomes: You must be able to:	hones for stretch & challenge.		
	<ul> <li>Define what a synthesiser is.</li> <li>Explain how a synthesiser works.</li> <li>Identify the four main waveform shapes.</li> <li>You may also be able to:</li> <li>Create a synthesiser patch.</li> <li>Recognise different waveforms by ear.</li> </ul>			
	There are two types of electronic instruments. These are <b>Synthesisers</b> and <b>Samplers</b> . Although they are both electronic instruments, they work in completely different ways. In this lesson, we will look at <b>Synthesisers</b> .			
	The following activity is split into three parts.  Feedback and more detail about the functions and tools learners will be using follows after each activity.			



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	There are also video demonstrations of how to complete the tasks provided in the PPT.  Activity 1: Generating a sound 6 minutes Using a website such as noisecraft.app we can create a synthesiser from scratch. What you need:  • Midi In (to use our MIDI Keyboard)  • Oscillator: Saw Wave  • Audio Output  • Headphones The video on the next slide demonstrates how to do this.		Learners producing synthesiser patch and sharing with class. Learner successfully following steps.	
	Activity 2: ADSR & Filtering (12 minutes) Using the patch you just created we will now develop our patch to include an ADSR and a Low Pass Filter. What you need:  • Two Knob modules (one connected to Attack and one Release)  • 1 ADSR module  • 1 Filter module The video on the next slide demonstrates how to do this.  Activity 3: LFO (8 minutes) Using your patch we will now change our patch so that an LFO controls the cutoff of the Low Pass Filter. What you need:  • One Knob module (values 0-10)		Feedback through questioning and discussion between tasks.	



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	One Oscillator: Sine Wave The video on the next slide demonstrates how to do this.  Slide 20-21: Filters As this introduces a key concept of music technology (EQ Filters) it would be useful to show your own stock EQ from within your DAW.  Slide 21 shows an image of an EQ graph incase you do not have access to a DAW during a lesson.  Learners should understand that it shows the range of human hearing.			
	That sounds will have frequencies across the spectrum. Lower frequencies are on the left. Higher frequencies are on the right.  Progress Check: Part 1  1. Name the four main waveforms. Sine, Square, Triangle & Sawtooth. 2. What type of filter is commonly used on synthesisers? Low Pass Filter. 3. What does this filter type do? Allows lower frequencies to be heard/turns down higher frequencies. 4. How does a synthesiser generate sound? Using an oscillator and waveforms.		Learners self	
	<ul> <li>waveforms.</li> <li>What does LFO stand for? Low Frequency Oscillator.</li> <li>What does an LFO usually control? Filter Cutoff</li> <li>What are the four stages of an amp envelope? Attack, Decay, Sustain and Release. /13</li> </ul>		assessing score on progress check.	



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	Progress Check: Part 2 Can you recognise the following waveforms?  1. Square Wave 2. Sine Wave 3. Sawtooth 4. Triangle  /4  Learning Recap: Define what a synthesiser is Explain how a synthesiser works Identify the four main waveform shapes Recognise different waveforms by ear  Home Study: You could use a synth like the Cardboard Online Synth to create your own synthesiser patch. Your patch should:  • Use two waveforms • Make use of an LPF • Make use of the Envelope (ADSR) You can share your synthesiser patches at the start of our next lesson.		Logged in workbook.  Recognising waveforms.	
	Example:			



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	In this example they have used:			
	with Cardboard Synth, such as effects.  End of lesson.			



11 Starter Activity: 5 minutes

Show learners the gird of six questions. These can be answered in their workbooks/paper/electronically or using miniwhiteboards.

Draw a sawtooth waveform.	I am measured in Hertz (Hz). What am I? Frequency	Filter type: Low Pass
How does a synthesiser generate sound?  Oscillator:  Waveforms	Which <b>two</b> envelope stages are missing? <b>Attack</b> , Decay, Sustain, <b>Release</b>	LFO: Low Frequency Oscillator. Commonly controls: Cutoff

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

By the end of the lesson

You must be able to:

- Define what a sampler is
- Explain how a sampler works
- Understsand the similarities and differences between samplers and synthesisers

You may also be able to:

• Create your own sampler instrument

#### **Activity 1:**

You can use your computer keyboard or MIDI to playback the different sounds. Press **shift** to record and **spacebar** to play.

It would be a good idea to demonstrate how this works before starting learners on the task.

PowerPoint,
Workbook,
computers,
headphones
DAW with
access to
sampler.

Direct questioning.

1.2

Teacher circulating helping/listening to learner work.



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	There is a video on slide 7 showing what a completed part could look like.  Stretch and challenge: Try recording in your ideas and layer different sounds.		Learners giving peer feedback on creations.	
	Feedback: Get learners to share their creations with the class. Learners can give feedback on learners creations. What they liked/what could be improved.  Reflective question: What is a sampler? Possible learner repsones:  - Something that makes beats - Plays back drums - Plays audio - Sequences music  Main Subject Content: Samplers Learners must understand the difference between synthesisers and samplers. The way they generate sound.			
	Slide 9/10/11: explain what a sampler is. It would be useful to demonstrate using your DAWs sampler if you have access.  Reflective question: How else could you shorten the length of an audio file? Possible learner responses:  - Playing it back faster - Turning it down for sections your do not want			



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	In this lesson learners will cover			
	Activity 2: Sampling Pitch Mapping  Use one of the samples of instruments to create your own sampled instruments.  • Acoustic Guitar C2  • Acoustic Piano C2  • Voice C2  Your teacher will now demonstrate how to do this in your DAW.  Stretch and challenge: Can you use any other sampler controls: looping, filter, ADSR and LFO to control the sound.  Learners should use the sampler in their DAW to complete this task.  Learners are requried to pitch map the sample across the frequency range.		Applying knowledge learnt on sampling and synthesis combined, to produce a musical outcome.	



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	Use the supplied audio files: Acoustic Guitar C2.wav, Acoustic Piano C2.wav and Voice C2.wav.  Alternatively, you could get students to record their own samples.  Feedback: Get learners to explain the process of pitch mapping the sample to the class. If learners completed stretch and challenge you can use questioning to see if learners can identify what they have used.		Questioning.	
	Progress Check:  1. You can only use LFOs on synthesisers. FALSE 2. A sample has to be a short piece of audio. FALSE 3. Coarse tuning is measured in cents. FALSE 4. Crossfading removes pops and clicks from audio files. TRUE 5. Velocity is measured in decimal. TRUE 6. Samplers generate sound using waveforms. FALSE 7. Coarse tuning changes the pitch in semitones. TRUE		Learners self assessing score on progress check. Logged in workbook.	
	Learning Recap: Can you now:  • Define what a sampler is			



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	<ul> <li>Explain how a sampler works</li> <li>Understand the similarities and differences between samplers and synthesisers</li> <li>Create your own sampler instrument</li> </ul>			
	Home Study: Many songwriters and producers take samples from other artists' work. Musical artists such as <b>Daft Punk</b> have become renowned for sampling. Choose <b>one</b> song of your choice that have sampled other songs and compare them with the original. You can use <b>whosampled.com</b> to help you find out what the songs you chose sampled. <b>Example:</b>			
	Tribe Called Quest: Can I Kick It?			
	<ul> <li>Takes the bass line from Lou Reed: Walk On The Wild Side</li> <li>This is looped throughout and speed up.</li> <li>The slide guitar is sampled from Dr. Buzzard's Original Savannah Band: Sunshower, the sample appears at 0:40 seconds in.</li> <li>The drums are sampled from Lonnie Smith: Spinning Wheel and have been turned into a loop.</li> </ul>			
12	Starter Activity: 8 minutes Take a moment to think back over our last two lessons Write down everything that you know about: Samplers and Synthesisers.	PowerPoint, Workbook, Mini whiteboards.	Direct questioning.	1.2



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	Get learners to write on mini whiteboards, scribe together as a class or think pair share.			
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  • Explain the difference between analogue and digital instruments • Give examples of analogue and digital instruments You may also be able to:  • Evaluate the differences between the two types of instruments			
	<b>Reflective Question:</b> What is meant when we say something is analogue or digital?			
	Activity 1: Mellotron 8 minutes Use research to find out:  • What a Mellotron is?  • How it worked?  • If a Mellotron is a sampler or a synthesiser?  • If there were any limitations when using a Mellotron			
	Stretch and challenge: Find two examples of pieces of music that use Mellotrons.			
	Feedback:			
	Activity 2: Akai S950 8 minutes Use research to find out:			



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	<ul> <li>What an Akai S950 is?</li> <li>How it worked?</li> <li>What the main features of this instrument were?</li> <li>If there were any limitations when using an Akai S950</li> </ul> Stretch and challenge: Find two examples of pieces of music that use Akai S950s.			
	Feedback:  Activity 3: Moog 55 8 minutes Use research to find out:  • What an Moog 55 is?  • How it worked?  • What the main features of this instrument were?  • If there were any benefits or limitations of using a Moog 55  Stretch and challenge: Find two examples of pieces of music that use a Moog 55.			
	Activity 4: Roland Juno 60 8 minutes Use research to find out:  • What a Roland Juno 60 is?  • How it worked?  • What the main features of this instrument were?  • If there were any benefits or limitations when using a Roland Juno 60			



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	<b>Stretch and challenge:</b> Find two examples of pieces of music that use a Roland Juno 60.			
	Feedback:			
	Activity 5: Analogue Vs Digital 8 minutes  Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using:			
	Analogue Sampler Vs Digital Sampler			
	Analogue Synthesiser Vs Digital Synthesier			
	Feedback:			
	Progress Check: Give two advantages of using digital samplers and synthesisers. Give two disadvantages of using analogue samplers and synthesisers.  /4			
	Learning Recap: Can you now: Explain the difference between analogue and digital instruments Give examples of analogue and digital instruments Evaluate the differences between the two types of instruments			



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13	Home Study: In our next lesson we will be using a drum machine: io808.com.  Try creating a short drum pattern using this online software. YouTube Tutorial Channel name: jwsexsmithelem Video Name: TR 808 Tutorial  End of Lesson.  Starter Activity: 2 minutes	PowerPoint,		1.2
	What does sequencing mean?  Prompt learners to think about what sequencing would mean in maths.  Possible learner responses:  - Patterns - Numbers - Formula - Pattern that changes in one way	Workbook, Computer, Headphones, access to internet.	Think, pair share.	
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: • Define sequencing			



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	List the different ways of sequencing You may also be able to:     Create your own step sequenced pattern			
	<ul> <li>Main Subject Content:</li> <li>Sequencing can be split into four main categories:</li> <li>Step Sequencing</li> <li>Analogue Sequencing</li> <li>Digital Sequencing</li> <li>MIDI Sequencing</li> </ul>			
	Slides 5-9 talk about drum machines and how step sequencing works. You should look at the TR808 drum machine if possible and listen to songs that have used this drum machine.			
	For example:  - Whitney Houston: I Wanna Dance With Somebody - Marvin Gaye: Sexual Healing - Lil Wayne: Let's Build a Beat			
	Activity 1: Step Sequencing 15 minutes You will be using a online version of the TR 808 Drum machine. You need to sequence the drum pattern from Outkast: The Way You Move. You will need a pattern A and B. The website is: io808.com		Learners producing drum beat from listening.	



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	Play learners the pattern that they need to recreate.  Lesson reosurces supplied is a file of the completed pattern using the online drum machine for you to use.  Learners should be shown how to use the drum machine. They will need to use: Tempo Pattern A and B BD – Bass Drum CP – Clap CH – Closed Hat  Supplied audio: The Way You Move.wav can be used to share with learners so they can listen on their own.  Feedback: Show learners the correct pattern using the grid. Get learners to share their pattern and get peers to evaluate how close they were.  Slides 13-20 cover the areas of sequencing.  Slide 13: Listen to: Ultravox: Vienna (1980) Ultravox modified their equipment to control analogue synthesisers from their drum machines using CV.  Slide 14: Listen to: Duran Duran - Rio (1982) Rio uses the Jupiter 4 synth which was one of the first to incorporate a sequencer.		Accuracy of rhythms. Learners peer assess the quality of their work and make adjustments.	



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	Slide 15: show learners Atari ST (1985) This computer was built with MIDI ports built in. This meant you could now have a GUI to sequence.  Slide 17: 5 Pin MIDI – if you have an older MIDI device to show learners the phsyical port and assocaited cable this would be advised. Otherwise images/videos online will also be useful for students to see the hardware.  Slide 18-20: USB connections. Learners should be shown a physical connection using a MIDI device to a computer and is possible set up a device themselves.  Progress Check:  1. How many pins does a MIDI cable have? 5 2. What were MIDI cables previously used for? HiFi Connections 3. How many MIDI channels can one USB connection support? 256 4. Give one reason why MIDI became so popular? It was a universal language, any device could talk to each other. 5. Name one type of electronic instrument that you would you find a step sequencer? Drum Machine  Learning Recap: Define sequencing List the different ways of sequencing Create your own step sequenced pattern  Home Study:		Learners self assess and mark score in workbook.	



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	Go to YouTube and watch the video: Video Title: MIDI Explained for Beginners Channel Name: Music Sequencing Make notes in your workbook about the key tips for MIDI sequencing. This will be useful in our next lesson.  End of lesson.		Pre-learning.	
14	Starter Activity: MIDI Keyboard 8 minutes This is an example of a MIDI keyboard. Study the image below. What different parts can you identify?	PPT, workbook, DAW, headphones.	Group discussion/qu estioning on prior knowledge. Learners ability to identify possible parts of keyboard.	1.2



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	Possible learner resposnes:  - Piano keys - Notes - Drum pads - Launchpads - Modulation wheels - Pitch bend - Buttons - Dials - Knobs			
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: Describe how a MIDI keyboard words Explain why you would want to use a MIDI keyboard Label a MIDI keyboard You may also be able to:			



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	<ul> <li>Create a piece of music in your DAW using a MIDI keyboard</li> <li>Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using a MIDI keyboard</li> <li>Main Subject Content:         Slides 5-6 explain how a MIDI keybaord works.     </li> <li>Activity 1: MIDI Keyboards 8 minutes</li> </ul>		Learners applying knowledge learnt to exam style scenario.	
	<ol> <li>Label and explain the function of the following parts of a MIDI keyboard.</li> <li>Keys</li> <li>Trigger pads</li> <li>Pitch wheel</li> <li>Modulation wheel</li> <li>Assignable dials/buttons</li> <li>Describe how a MIDI keyboard works.</li> </ol>			
	<b>Stretch and challenge:</b> What are the advantages and disadvantages of using a MIDI keyboard?			
	Feedback: Use a real MIDI keyboard to get the learners to identify different parts of the keyboard and explain their function. This can then be demonstrated in real time.			
	Learners that have completed the stretch and challenge can then share their thoughts and ideas. This can be discussed as a class.		Teacher circulating	
	On slides 9 and 10 there are some possible responses for the stretch and challenge although learners may have come up with other reponses.		during practical task	



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	Activity 2: Using MIDI Keyboards 15 minutes Using two software instrument tracks in your DAW, create a short, 16 bar, piece of music using your MIDI Keyboard. You should:  • Use a drum kit • Use a melodic instrument • Play in time with the metronome		to ensure learners can use MIDI keyboard.	
	Your teacher will now demonstrate this using your DAW.  Feedback: Select a learner with a good final outcome, use questioning to get learners to explain why it is successful.		Learners self assessment score logged in workbook.	
	Progress check: True or False  1. A MIDI keyboard makes sound when a key is pressed. FALSE 2. An advantage of using MIDI is that you can change the sound at any point. TRUE 3. MIDI keyboards send binary information to the computer. TRUE 4. A disadvantage of using MIDI is that is requires very little equipment. FALSE 5. MIDI keyboards can be customised to control any parameter in your DAW. TRUE			
	Learning Recap: Can you now:			



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	Describe how a MIDI keyboard words Explain why you would want to use a MIDI keyboard Label a MIDI keyboard Create a piece of music in your DAW using a MIDI keyboard Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using a MIDI keyboard  Home study: MIDI Controllers Below is a list of other types of MIDI controllers, other than a MIDI keyboard.  • Wind Controller  • Drum Pad Controller  • DAW Control Surface  • Find out what these different controllers are used for and the differences between them.  Resources: soundonsound.co.uk & gear4music: Midi Controller Buyer's Guide.			
	End of lesson.			
15	Starter Activity: Listening 5 minutes Audio file 1 is a 2 bar drum pattern without any effects. Audio files 2, 3 and 4 have had an effect applied to them. Identify what effect has been applied.	PPT, workbook, DAW & headphones.	Learners ability to identify an effect.	1.2



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	Learners could write down what they think the effect is on whiteboards and then show to class to ensure all learners are actively engaged.  All of the drums have had reverb applied to them. However, they all sound different. This is because they have used different ways to create reverb. Before we learn about these different ways, we must understand what reverb is.  Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: Define what reverb is Describe what a room, plate and spring reverb is You may also be able to: Explain how these different reverb types work Choose suitable reverbs for different instruments Recognise different reverb types when listening  Reflective question: What is reverb?  Possible learner resposnes: Echo Reflection Delay Effect		Direct questioning.	



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	At this point learners should make sure that they do not refer to a reverb as an echo as this will cause confusion with delay.  Slide 7: Reflective question: If you were to clap your hands together in both of these spaces, how would the sound change? Classroom Sports hall  Get learners to share their ideas with their partner.  Do not play learners the files until after discussion  You could show learners images of each space to help them  Ask learners to justify/explain why they think the sound would change and how it would change.  Activity 1: Reverb Types 15 minutes Use research to find out what the following types of reverb are and explain how they work.  Room Plate Spring Your work can use diagrams to help explain.		Learners ability to apply knowledge of definition of reverb to scenario.  Learners presenting information about key points of each type.	



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	Stretch and challenge: Can you find any examples of pieces of music that use these reverbs?  Feedback/ Main Subject Content:  Slides 11-15 go through whole class feedback on reverb types with examples to		Assessment of understandin g given in feedback with questioning. Learners can	
	Learners could share their findings first or a combination of both.		adjust work if needed.	
	Activity 2: Using Reverb 10 minutes You will be given a project in your DAW that needs reverb added. Choose the most suitable reverb type for:  • The drum kit  • The electric guitar  • The Vocals		Learners applying theoretical knowledge to a practical situation. How successful is	
	Your teacher will now demonstrate how to do this using your DAW.  Feedback: Learners should share their use of reverb.		their choice of reverb.	



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	Success: suitable reverb type chosen. Balance of wet/dry is correct not overpowering. Length of reverb is suitable.  Progress check: Recognising reverbs Play learners the extracts listed. Identify the reverb type.  1. Cliff Richard: The Young Ones  a) Electric Guitar: Spring b) Lead Vocals: Plate 2. Adele: I Miss You a) Lead Vocals: Plate b) Drums (0:32 – 0:50): Room c) Drums (0:50 – 1:06): Spring /5  Progress check: Fill in the gaps A reverb is a sound reflecting and interacting with its environment. Different spaces will have different amounts of reverb. For example, a Sports Hall will have a much larger/longer reverb than a classroom. Room reverb is a by-product of recording in an untreated room. Plate and Spring reverbs are both artificial. Spring reverbs are usually found in guitar amplifiers. /7  Learning Recap: Can you now: Define what reverb is Describe what a room, plate and spring reverb is Explain how these different reverb types work		Learners self assess and scoring in their workbook.	



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	Choose suitable reverbs for different instruments Recognise different reverb types when listening  Home study: Listen to Phill Collins: In The Air Tonight. What type of reverb do you think has been used on the drums? Can you find out how this reverb sound was created?  End of lesson.			
16	Starter Activity: 5 minutes Identify the effect applied to the snare drum in this extract. What do we call this effect? How is this effect created?  This effect is known as delay. Delay is created by repeating a sound as a set rate. There are lots of different ways delays can be created. In this lesson we will be looking at tape delay.  Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  Define what delay is Describe how tape delay works You may also be able to:	PPT, workbook, DAW & headphones.	Listening activity.	1.2



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	Replicate delay settings in your DAW     Illustrate how a tape delay works  Activity 1: Tape Delay 20 minutes Use research to find out how a tape delay works using a tape machine. How did it work? What type of delay did it create? What controls did you have over the sound? How would you describe the characteristics of a tape delay?  Stretch and challenge: Create a diagram that illustrates how a tape delay works.		Learners demonstratin g understandin g through presentation.	
	Feedback/ Main Subject Content:  Learners can share their information with their partner.  Random learners can then be selected to share with the class. Then as a class you can watch this short demonstartion of using a tape machine to create a delay.  YouTube Video: Analog Reel to Reel Tape Delay Effect Demonstration Channel Name: Tooleyoclock Watch this video that demonstrates how a tape delay works and how it sounds.  Learners can use this oppportunity to add any extra information to their work.		Consolidation of learners make adjustments to work.	



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	Activity 2: Tape Delay 10 minutes You will be given a project in your DAW that has drums and vocals. Use a tape delay to recreate the delay sound below. You will need to adjust:		Application of knowledge learnt. Use of listening skills to match processing from example.	
	Progress check: True or False  1. A delay effect places a sound in a different space. False 2. Delays use note values to change the speed of repeats. True 3. Tape delays had to change the speed of the tape to affect the speed of repeats. True 4. Tape delays were first used primarily in the 1950s on guitars and vocals. True 5. Tape delays caused artefacts that became synonymous with their sound. True		Learners self assess and marking score in their workbook.	



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	Learning Recap: Can you now: Define what delay is Describe how tape delay works Replicate delay settings in your DAW Illustrate how a tape delay works  Home study: How have delay effects developed over the years? Find out about the following types of delays work and when they might be used:			
17	Starter Activity: 8 minutes Get learners to discuss what they think they are hearing with their partner. Learners may pick up that extract 2 has less sound in the gaps or less reverb due to the noise gating.	PPT, workbook, DAW & headphones.	Listening activity. Learners ability to recognise	1.2



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	Learners may think that extract B sounds louder because of the narrow dynamic range.		processing/ch anges in files.	
	Extract 1 shows use of a compressor  1. Listen to the audio files below, what is the difference between A and B?  A has more dynamic range than B.  B has an overall quieter volume.			
	Extract 2 show use of a noise gate.  2. Listen to the audio files below, what is the difference between A and B? B has been <b>turned down</b> in between the drum hits.			
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  • State what dynamic processing is  • Define compression and noise gate  • Apply compression to different instruments. You may also be able to:  • Explain why we need to use compression and noise gates  • Determine the correct settings to remove breaths using a noise gate			
	Main Subject Content: Slides 7-14 go through the basics of compression and noise gating.  Reflective question: Why use compression? Reflective question: Why use noise gating?		Learners ability to recall information	



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	Activity 1: Dynamic Processing 15 minutes  Create a fact file that:  • States what dynamic processing is  • Defines compression and noise gate  • Explains why we need to use these processes						learnt and answer questions.	
	Stretch and challenge: Are there any negatives to have a louder recording with less dynamic range?  Feedback: Get a learner to scribe on a whiteboard of flip chart and other learners can answer the questions that they would have answered during the activity.						Group discussion, questioning.	
	This is a good opportunity to talk about the issues with overcompression and how human hearing thinks louder is better and that this is not always true. There is a home study activity on the loudness wars which links to this.  Activity 2: Using a Compressor 15 minutes						Learners applying theoretical knowledge to practical application	
	Ratio	Drums 2:1	Bass 6:1	Vocals 4:1			after seeing	
	Threshold	-15 <> -30dB	-10 <> -20dB	-15<> - 30dB			teacher	
	Attack	Medium	Fast	Medium			demonstratio n.	
1 '	Release	Fast	Medium	Fast			'''	



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	Stretch & challenge: Use a noise gate to remove the unwanted breaths within the vocal.			
	Your teacher will demonstrate how to add a compressor in your DAW.			
	Feedback: Dicuss with learners the impact of the use of compression. How has this affected the overall balance? Demonstrate how to successfully use a noise gate to remove the breaths.  Progress check:  1. Define dynamic processing: A process which is affected by and controls the volume of an audio signal. 2. Define dynamic range: The difference between the quietest and loudest parts of a signal. 3. Give one reason why you might want to use:  a) Compression: to make a part more consistent or louder. 4. Noise gating: to remove unwanted noise 5. Why do compression and noise gate fall under the same category? Because they both are controlled by and affect the volume of a signal.		Learners self assessing and marking their score in workbook.	
	Learning Recap: Can you now:			
	State what dynamic processing is  Define compression and noise gate			



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	Apply compression to different instruments  Explain why we need to use compression and noise gates  Determine the correct settings to remove breaths using a noise gate			
	Home study: Go to dynamicrangeday.co.uk. Find out what the loudness war is and why compression is involved. Write your findings in your workbook. End of lesson.			
18	Starter Activity:  1. Listen to Cher: Believe (1998) What effect has been used on the lead vocal? Autotune  2. Listen to Ed Sheeran: Shape of You Live What process has been used in this performance? Live Looping	PPT, workbook access to internet and headphones.	Listening activity – prior knowledge.	1.2
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: Define what an effects pedal is Describe what Autotune is			



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	<ul> <li>Describe what a loop pedal is You may also be able to: <ul> <li>Evaluate the impact that Autotune has had on the quality of recorded music.</li> <li>Compose your own live loop performance.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Activity 1: Find out the answer to the following questions: <ul> <li>What is autotune?</li> <li>How does it work?</li> <li>Who created autotune?</li> <li>What different ways can autotune be used?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Short answer questions to gain understandin g of process.	
	Learners may wish to listen to the podcast <b>Stuff You Should Know: How Autotune Works.</b> Listen from 7 minutes.  Or use the Antares Autotune manual which can be found online			
	Stretch and challenge: Has autotune negatively affected the quality of modern music?			
	Areas of discussion: - Anyone can sing - People don't have to learn how to sing - Quality of live performances is lower because of autotune - Created new genres - More variation - Humans like inperfections		Group discussion.	



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	- We have become too used to perfect performances			
	Feedback:  1. What is autotune? A process that automatically measures and changes the pitch of a signal. Usually used to make a vocal pitch perfect.  2. How does it work? It will recognise the pitch that is sung and will then snap all of those notes to a set key.  3. Who created autotune? Andy Hildebrand: Antares Audio Technology  4. What different ways can autotune be used? To correct a vocal performance so that it sounds perfect but it not noticeable. To create a vocal effect that sounds robotic.		Learners self assess and marking score in workbook.	
	Main Subject Content: Effects Pedals Slides 8-14 cover the knowledge for this lesson.			
	If possible having physical examples of effects pedals and multieffects would be beneficial for learners.			
	However, use of online images or videos will also be beneficial.			
	Listen and watch: Slide 12: <b>Terry Riley: Music for the Gift III</b> This demonstrates Riley's use of loops and delays.			
	Slide 13: <b>KT Tunstall: Black Horse &amp; The Cherry Tree</b> Later With Jools Holland 2004 Live loop performance.			



Lesso n	Learning activities Implementation	<b>Resources</b> Support	Assessment method Impact	Mapping Teaching content
	Use the website: superlooper.universlabs.co.uk To create your own live looped performance. We will share our creations at the end.  A successful live looping project will:  Be in time Begin with simple patterns Have development of these patterns Vary the texture (amount of layers at one)  Feedback: Learners can listen to a peers work and give them feedback on what they think went well and what they could improve.  If time allows, some learners could be selected to share with the class.  Progress check:  Give one reason that you would use autotune. To correct a mistake. To create a robotic effect. Give one advantage of using singular effects pedals. Fully customisable order of effects. Can pair different brands. Give one advantage of using multi-effects pedals. More affordable. Portable. Contains all effects needed. Explain one reason why live looping became popular. Singer songwriters could become their own backing band.		Learners ability to create a success live loop against success criteria.  Learners self assessment.	



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	Learning Recap: Can you now: Define what an effects pedal is Describe what Autotune is Describe what a loop pedal is Evaluate the impact that Autotune has had on the quality of recorded music. Compose your own live loop performance.  Home study: "Digital amplifier and effects modelling will never be as good as a real amplifier." To what extent do you agree with this statement? Write one paragraph responding to this statement.  End of lesson.			
19	Starter Activity: 5 minutes How many different ways can you think of that you can listen to music?  Possible learner responses  - Online - Spotify - Apple music - Soundcloud - Phones - Live - MP3s	PPT, workbook, access to internet.	Group discussion and direct questioning of prior knowledge.	1.2



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	- YouTube - Records (vinyl)			
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  • List the different consumer audio formats available  • Order the formats chronologically You may also be able to:  • Explain why some formats are more popular than others  Main subject content: Consumer Audio Formats Slides 5-21 explain in detail about the different audio formats available.  If possible learners should be able to see and touch/use these different formats.  However, videos/photos online will also be useful for learners to put these into context.  Slide 6 Reflective question: How does a vinyl record work?		Direct	
	Slide 10 Reflective question: What was now possible on a CD that was not with cassettes or vinyl?		questioning.	
	Slide 15: The first music video to be aired was The Buggles: Video Killed the Radio Star in 1981. Get learners to watch some of the broadcast on YouTube.			



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	Slide 2 Reflective question: Why do you think streaming services have become so popular?			
	Possible learner repsonses:  - Every song you oculd want (almost)  - Social aspects  - Cheaper than buying albums  - Afforadable  - Can access anywhere in the world  - Al that created playlsits  - Stored in cloud or downloaded			
	Activity 1: Consumer Audio 10 minutes Create a timeline of consumer audio that starts in c.1930. You should cover:		Learners ability to present accurate timeline.	
	Stretch and challenge: Explain why some formats were more popular than others.			



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	Feedback: Learners could pin up the timelines or a visuliser could be used to share a learners work to be discussed.  Stretch and challenge could be posed as a whole class question or cold calling learners.  Progress check:  1. Place the seven consumer audio formats in chronological order. Vinyl, Cassette, CD, MiniDisc, Music Video, MP3, Streaming.  2. What did music videos mean for artists? Another way to promote music.  3. Name two analogue consumer audio formats. Vinyl & Cassette.  4. Name two digital consumer audio formats. CD, MiniDisc, MP3 or Streaming.  5. Give one advantage of the MiniDisc when compared to CD. Not prone to skipping/scratches.		Learners self assessing and marking in workbook.	
	Learning Recap: Can you now: List the different consumer audio formats available Order the formats chronologically Explain why some formats are more popular than others  Home study: Either:  • Create a playlist using a streaming service. OR			



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	Listen to a piece of music on cassette, vinyl or CD.			
	End of lesson.			
20	Starter Activity: 5 minutes  What different aspects would you need to consider when marketing an album for release?  Possible learner responses:  - Album artwork  - Band logo/name  - Where it will be marketed  - Who it is aimed at  Scribed on board.  Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  - List the different areas of marketing in the music business  - Identify the different areas of marketing You may also be able to:  - Create your own band logo and album cover  - Design a successful consumer feedback questionnaire  Main Subject Content: Marketing Slides 5-8 go through the content required for the first task.	PPT, workbook and internet access	Think, pair share, group discussion.	1.3.1
	Activity 1: Branding 15 minutes			



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	You are going to create the album cover for the punk band: The Basstones. The album is called Up All Night. You should include:  • Band logo • Colour schemes that suits the bands style  Reflective question: Why is this not suitable branding?  - Colours are too bright - Boring fonts		Learners identifying areas that are not suitable in the example.  Creation of class criteria for a	
	- Does not represent the style - Plain  Activity 1: Evaluation		successful album cover.	
	Learners can evaluate their own or peers work using these questions to help them.  • Does the colour scheme suit the bands style?  • Have they created a logo?  • Is the album cover eye catching?			
	Slides 13-16 go through content required for the second activity.  Activity 2: Audience Questionnaire 15 minutes  Now that you have created your album artwork, you need to get some audience feedback on it.  Create a questionnaire consisting of at least 5 questions.  You must include:  • Multiple choice		Learners developing set of questions to gain market feedback.	



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	<ul> <li>Rating</li> <li>Open questions</li> <li>Closed questions</li> <li>Stretch and challenge: Get peers to fill out your questionnaire. What information do the responses tell you?</li> <li>Feedback:         <ul> <li>Learners should test their questionnaires to see if they are succesful.</li> <li>Learners that have completed the stretch and challenge should analse their data and identify what information it tells them about the successfulness of their design.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Progress Check:         <ul> <li>What are the different areas of marketing in the music business? Market Research, Branding &amp; Campaign</li> <li>What is an audience demographic? Defined groups based on things like age, gender, income, education and occupation.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Why is it important to understand your target audience? So your branding matches their interests and appeals to them.</li> <li>Why should a questionnaire not only use closed questions? It will not give detail as to why the consumer has that given that response.</li> <li>Learning Recap:         <ul> <li>List the different areas of marketing in the music business Identify the different areas of marketing Create your own band logo and album cover</li> <li>Design a successful consumer feedback questionnaire</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Learners using questions to check if they are appropriate/fit for purpose.  Learner self assessment.	



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	Home study: Find an album cover of a band or artist that you like. Analyse the use of colour and logo design, by annotating the album cover. Then write a short responses to this question: Why is this album cover successful?  End of lesson.			
21	Starter Activity: What different ways can you physically promote music? Scribe these onto the whiteboard/flipchart, either as the teacher of facilitate with a learner scribing.  Possible learner responses:	PPT, workbook and internet access.	Think, pair share, group discussion.	1.3.2



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	Summarise the different types of physical promotion Categorise these types into three categories You may also be able to: Design your own poster for a gig Create a set of interview questions promoting the gig  Main Subject Content: Phsyical Promotion Slides 7-18 cover the content outlined at the start of the lesson.  Make sure that all keywords are explored with learners so they have a firm understading of the different methods.  Slide 15 reflective question: What information would need to be on a poster for a tour?  Main act name Support act name(s) Venues/locations Dates Times Ticket price Where to buy tickets Act logos Act promotional images/artwork  Activity 1: Tour Poster		Discussion/qu estioning.	
	Choose <b>one</b> artist or band of your choice.  It is your job to design your own <b>poster</b> for an upcoming national tour.		Learners application of	



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	Your work must include:  Ticket price Where to buy tickets Act logos Act promotional images Artwork Main act name Support act name(s) Venues/locations Dates Times  Stretch and challenge: Create a set of interview questions and answers promoting the tour.  Feedback: Learners work can be randomly selected and shown to the class. This could be done using a visualiser so all learners are able to give feedback against the activity criteria.		knowledge to produce a successful poster against criteria.	
	<ul> <li>Progress Check: <ol> <li>Give one example of a performance method of promotion. Gigs, Tours &amp; Festivals.</li> <li>Give two examples of a material method of promotion. Flyers, Posters and Billboards.</li> <li>Give two examples of an appearance method of promotion. Radio, TV, Launch Party and Interview.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		Learner self assessment.	



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	<ol> <li>Other than ticket price and venues, state two other things a tour poster should include. Where to buy tickets, logos/promotional images/Artwork, Main act name, Support act name(s), locations, dates &amp; times.</li> </ol>			
	Learning Recap: Can you now: Summarise the different types of physical promotion Categorise these types into three categories Design your own poster for a tour Create a set of interview questions promoting the tour			
	Home study: You are planning an international tour. Using the information that you have learnt:  1. Create a list of what you would need to consider when planning this tour. 2. Identify the different roles you would need to hire for the tour 3. Give a reason for each role being required  End of lesson.			
22	Previous Lesson: In our previous lesson we looked at the physical ways in which we can promote music. How many can you remember?	PPT, workbook and internet access.	Recall of prior learning.	1.3.2



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	<ul><li>Appearances</li><li>Launch party</li><li>Radio shows</li></ul>	Performances  • Gigs • Tours	Materials     Posters     Billboards			
	<ul><li>TV shows</li><li>Interviews</li></ul>	Festivals	• Flyers			
	Starter Activity: Digital I What different ways can y Scribe these onto the whit learner scribing.	you <b>digitally</b> promote m		Think, pair share, group discussion.		
	Possible learner reposnes					
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to: Summarise the dif	fferent types of digital pr	romotion			



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	Categorise these type You may also be able to: Compose your own: Analyse an artist's o  Main Subject Content:Dig Digital Promotion falls into to they are: Content Platforms  Reflective question: What categories?	nline presence  ital Promotion wo main categories.	on falls under these		Direct questioning.	
	Content	Platforms				
	<ul><li>Social media posts</li><li>Social media stories</li><li>Videos</li><li>Live streaming</li></ul>	<ul><li>Websites</li><li>Social media pages</li></ul>				
	Reflective question: What Slides 10-20 cover these are Activity 1: Social Media Por Choose one artist or band of	eas in detail. ost 12 minutes	edia can you think of?		Learners ability to apply concepts to their own	



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	It is your job to create your own <b>social media post</b> promoting a new music video that will be released soon. Your work should:  • Use informal language  • Use persuasive language  • Be clear and succinct  Stretch and challenge: Write the post in under 500 characters.  Feedback: Learners can share their post with a peer in the class and evaluate how successful they think it was.		social media post.  Ability to follow social media conventions of character limit.  Analysis of	
	Activity 2: Platform Analysis 15 minutes Choose one artist or band of your choice. You must go to their band website or social media page. It is your task to analyse the content on their page. What has made their page successful? What could you do to improve their page?  Progress Check:		promotional content of a band or artists website.	
	1. A social media story has an unlimited amount of time. True 2. Guerrilla marketing is an expensive method. False 3. Social media posts only contain text. False 4. A website is a type of digital platform. True 5. Live streaming is a good way to engage your fanbase. True		Learners self assessment.	



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	Learning Recap: Can you now: Summarise the different types of digital promotion Categorise these types into two categories Compose your own social media post Analyse an artist's online presence  Home study: Make a list of possible ways you could engage an artist's followers using digital marketing.  Stretch and challenge: Place these in order of effectiveness.  End of lesson.			
23	Starter Activity: 5 minutes In what different formats can music be sold? Physical? Digital? Are there any other products that artists sell?  Could think pair share for this activity before sharing with the class.  Scribe these onto the whiteboard/flipchart, either as the teacher of facilitate with a learner scribing.	PPT, workbook and internet access.	Think, pair share, group discussion.	1.3.3



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	Learning Outcomes:  By the end of the lesson You must be able to:  • List all the four categories of selling music  • Categorise the different types into these categories You may also be able to:  • Explain why musical artists sell merchandise  • Link media products to format types  Main Subject Content: Selling Music  There are four main categories when it comes to selling music.					
	Media Products Physical F	Formats Digital Formats	Merchandise			
	<ul> <li>Single</li> <li>EP</li> <li>Album</li> <li>Video</li> <li>Uinyl</li> <li>CD</li> <li>Cassette</li> <li>Digital Vers</li> <li>(DVD)</li> </ul>	Compressed audio     Uncompressed audio     audio     Compressed video     Uncompressed video	<ul><li>Clothing</li><li>Visual products</li><li>Accessories</li></ul>			
	Activity 1: Media Product Find how the definition of the Single EP Album Video	cts 10 minutes the following in terms of selli	ng music.		Learners ability to research correct information. Questioning	



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	<b>Stretch and challenge:</b> What physical and digital formats are available for these products?		during the feedback.	
	Feedback: Feedback for this activity comes in the main teaching content. Pre learning for learners will make it easier to teach the new concepts.			
	Selling Music: Media Products Slides 8-20 cover content from activity 1. Reflective Question: Can you define any of these media products.			
	Learners will most likely recognise a single as just one song and that an album is a collection of songs as well as a video being a live performance perhaps.			
	It is less likely that they will understand what an EP is.			
	The following slides explain in detail about the products. Key information is highlighted below.			
	Slide 11: Bryan Adams: (Everything I Do) I Do It For You This song has the longest consecutive weeks at number 1 in the UK charts. A whopping 16 weeks! Reflective question: What are the other two tracks on a single?			
	Slide 16: Miley Cyrus: Plastic Hearts 2020			



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	This album was released as a series of three EPs.			
	Slide 19: <b>Adele: 30 (2021)</b> Spotify removed the default shuffle mode for album playback after Adele complained that art should be listened to in the intended order.			
	Reflective question: Which format do we need to remove and why? MiniDisc as it is obsolete. Learners may argue that vinyl and casette are also obsolete however fact on next slides shows why not.			
	Slide 23: <b>Vinyl Record Sales</b> According to BPI (UK association of independent and major record labels) new albums increased their share of the UK's vinyl LP market by more than 40% in 2021.			
	Slides 25-33 cover content realting to physical and digital formats and merchandise.			
	Activity 2: Products 15 minutes Choose one band or artist of your choice. Using their website find examples of products that they sell from each of the categories.  • Media: Physical & Digital • Merchandise		Learner suggesting reasons for use of merchandise.	



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	<ul><li>To boost reg</li><li>To promote</li></ul>	retch and challenge: Explain why you think musical artists sell merchandise?  - To boost revenue streams  - To promote brand  - It can have a higher profit margin					
	within them.	any notes create a tal	_	ories and list the types		Learner self assessment.	
	<ul><li>Media Products</li><li>Single</li><li>EP</li><li>Album</li><li>Video</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Physical Formats</li> <li>Vinyl</li> <li>CD</li> <li>Cassette</li> <li>Digital Versatile Disc (DVD)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Digital Formats</li> <li>Compressed audio</li> <li>Uncompressed audio</li> <li>Compressed video</li> <li>Uncompressed video</li> </ul>	Merchandise     Clothing     Visual products     Accessories			
	Learning Recap: Can you now: List all the four categories of selling music Categorise the different types into these categories Explain why musical artists sell merchandise Link media products to format types						
	Home study: How is music distr	•					
	We will be looking	at this in our next less	son.				



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	Resources YouTube: Channel Name: Damian Keyes Video Name: The ULTIMATE GUIDE To Music Distributors In 2022: Get Your Music On All Platforms			
	End of lesson.			
24	Starter Activity: 5 minutes What is distribution? What different ways can music be distributed to be sold?	PPT, workbook and internet access.	Think, pair share, group discussion.	1.3.3
	What are royalties?			
	Learners can think pair share for this activity and then this can be discussed as a class.			
	It may be useful to collate learner ideas on the whiteboard.			
	Learning Outcomes: By the end of the lesson You must be able to:			



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	<ul> <li>List the different ways music can be distributed</li> <li>Describe the process involved with each method</li> <li>Explain how royalties work</li> <li>Define PRS and MU</li> <li>You may also be able to:         <ul> <li>Compare different methods of distribution</li> </ul> </li> <li>Main Subject Content: Distributing Music</li> <li>There are two categories when it comes to distributing in this lesson, we will look at what steps are involved in market.</li> <li>This table outlines the content learners need to understablishment.</li> </ul>				
	Physical Digital				
	<ul> <li>Manufacturing</li> <li>Shipping</li> <li>Retail stores</li> <li>Aggregators</li> <li>Online stores</li> <li>Streaming</li> </ul>				
	Slides 6-12 explain the physical distribution process.  Learners may wish to take notes on this.				



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	From slide 13 the digital process is covered.  Slide 14: Reflective question: What are the possible benefits of using digital distribution?  Possible learner responses:  - Could be cheaper - Will be faster - Most people consume music online - Can reach more people - Decline of the highstreet  Slide 16: Reflective question: What is the difference between a fee and commission?  Possible learner reposnes: - Fee is a one off charge - Commission is an ongoing charge - Commission is percentage - Contract is required - Fee will be higher in short term		Direct questioning/g roup discussion.	
	Activity 1: Distribution 15 minutes Create a flow chart explaining the steps a musical artist would need to take when releasing an album. You should provide separate flow charts for physical and digital releases.		Learners correctly identifying	



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	Stretch and challenge: Write a short paragraph explaining which distribution method you think is better.		steps involved in correct order.	
	Feedback: Choose learners to explain the physical and digital flowcharts.			
	This can be used as an opportunity to question other learners on the process.			
	For the stretch and challenge a small debate can be held. Perhaps a show of hands for which method they think is better and then getting learners to justify their response.			
	Slide 26: <b>Reflective quesiton:</b> What will create a royalty?  Slide 28: <b>Reflective question:</b> Who is a member of this organisation? Who are customers of this organisation?		Direct questioning.	
	Activity 2: Administrative Services 10 minutes  1. Explain what the role of PRS for Music is, how it works and why it is important.  2. Explain why might it be beneficial for a musician to be a member of a union.		Learners feeding back answers to partner.	
	Progress Check:  1. What word best fits this definition, 'To make on a large scale using machinery'? Distribution		Learner self assessment.	



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	<ol> <li>Name two things that you would need to consider when using physical distribution? Format of media, number of units.</li> <li>Give one advantage of using digital distribution. Faster to get to market, can be cheaper.</li> <li>What is the difference between a streaming platform and online retailer? Streaming platform does not sell music.</li> <li>What does PRS for Music do? Collects performing royalties.</li> <li>Why is this important? So songwriters get paid for use of their work.</li> </ol>			
	Learning Recap: Can you now: List the different ways music can be distributed Describe the process involved with each method Define PRS and MU Compare different methods of distribution			
	Home study: There has been criticism that online streaming services pay rights-holders far too low amount per stream.			
	Do you think that songwriters and musicians do not get paid enough for their work?			
	Write a short paragraph responding to this question.			



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	End of lesson.			