# Music Knowledge and Skills, Reception: Pitch

Key Question: What is pitch?		
What I should already know	Key knowledge	Key skills
When I hear or make music, some sounds are	Pitch is the position of a sound within a range	Identify high and low pitch sounds
high and some sounds are low.	of sounds.	Use hand gestures to show high or low pitch.
We can use our voices to copy music that we	Some sounds are higher than others (have a	Sing songs (call and response) with correct
hear.	higher pitch) and some sounds are lower	pitch
	(have a lower pitch).	We can use voices and some instruments to
	When we sing a song, we usually sing the	slide from a low pitch to a high pitch and
	melody.	back again. (Glissando)
		Improvise a simple melody with their voice.
End goal	Key Vocabulary	Key Music / People
Know what pitch is.	Pitch - High and low sounds.	African call and response songs
Identify higher and lower pitch when singing	Melody - The tune.	Nursery rhymes/ songs eg Mary Had a Little
or making music.	High - High sounding.	Lamb, Twinkle Twinkle,
Start to sing with the correct pitch.	Low - Sounds that are deep.	High Sounds:
Apply knowledge of pitch, pulse and rhythm	Glissando – sliding from high to low or low	Prokofiev: Peter & the Wolf – bird (flute)
when improvising music.	to high	Low Sounds
		Prokofiev: Peter & the Wolf – grandfather
		(bassoon)

# Music Knowledge and Skills, Palmer (Cycle A): Pitch

Key Question: How can I use my voice to make a melody?		
What I should already know	Key knowledge	Key skills
Pitch is the position of a sound within a range of sounds.  Some sounds are higher than others (have a higher pitch) and some sounds are lower (have a lower pitch).  When we sing a song, we usually sing the melody.	Understand pitch, and how to make high and low vocal sounds.  Relate pitch to high and low body posture.  Understand pitch by singing a song with contrasting high and low melodies.  Understand a step in pitch:	Create high and low sounds using your voice. Create sounds that get higher and lower using your voice. Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another voice (pitch match) Sing a melodic shape (Moving melody, such as up and down, down and up). Sing a glissando (sliding from low to high and high to low) Sing in a group or on your own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. Improvise music using knowledge of tempo, pitch, pulse, rhythm and timbre
End goal	Key Vocabulary	Key Music / People
Sing notes of different pitches and be able to pitch match a song sung by another voice.  Sing glissando from a given starting note.  Identify a step and a leap in pitch.  Apply knowledge of rhythm, pitch, timbre and tempo when improvising music.	Pitch - High and low sounds. Melody - The tune. Step - Pitch moves one note at a time. Leap - Notes jump pitch. Drone - A very long sound, played constantly throughout a piece of music. Melody - The tune. Glissando – sliding from high to low or low to high	High Sounds: Tchaikovsky: The Nutcracker Suite: Dance of The Sugar Plum Fairy Low sounds: Ralph Vaughan Williams: Concerto for Bass Tuba and Orchestra in F Minor High and Low sounds: Handel: Hallelujah Chorus

### Music Knowledge and Skills, Palmer (Cycle B): Pitch

What I should already know	Key knowledge	Key skills
Understand pitch, and how to make high and low vocal sounds. Relate pitch to high and low body posture. Understand pitch by singing a song with contrasting high and low melodies. Understand a step in pitch:	There are three ways pitch can move, by step, leap or on the same note. You can use your voice or pitched instrument to explore creating pitch.  Repeated notes  A graphic score can show pitch and changes in pitch using symbols eg  High Low Higher Lower	Identify and play high and low sounds on a glockenspiel or tuned percussion with rhythmic patterns in 2/4 and 3/4 time.  Explore and develop an understanding of pitch using the voice and body movements. Recognise and perform pitch changes and contrasts showing steps, leaps and repeated patterns.  Compose a simple melody and record using graphic score.
End goal	Key Vocabulary	Key Music / People
Perform and create simple rhythms using a simple score.  Identify, create and perform ostinato.  Interpret a score to perform different beat patterns.	Step - Pitch moves one note at a time. Leap - Notes jump pitch. Drone - A very long sound, played constantly throughout a piece of music.	Kye Kye Kule - a West African action song, The Frog Song - a simple Japanese song rehearsing pitch, John Kanaka - a sea shanty with call and refrain.

# Music Knowledge and Skills, Moore (Cycle A): Pitch

Key Question: What is the pentatonic scale?		
What I should already know	Key knowledge	Key skills
There are three ways pitch can move., by	The pentatonic scale originates from China.	Explore the pentatonic scale.
step, leap or on the same note. You can use	The pentatonic scale is made up of 5 notes.	Use graphic notation with the pentatonic
your voice or pitched instrument to explore	Here is an example of the pentatonic scale	scale.
creating pitch.	starting on note C.	Understand pitch through composing,
Repeated notes  C C C C	C D E G A C1	notating, and reading graphic notation.  Perform a pentatonic song with tuned and untuned accompaniment.  Play in steps using graphic notation.  Identify motifs in familiar music.
A graphic score can show pitch and changes	A motif gives strength and structure to music	
in pitch using symbols eg	that helps to hold it all together like glue.	
High Low Higher Lower		
End goal	Key Vocabulary	Key Music / People
To know what the pentatonic scale is and	Scale- from the Latin word (which means	Music with pentatonic scales:
perform a melody using the pentatonic scale	ladder, staircase or flight of stairs).	The Temptations – My Girl
from graphic notation.	Pentatonic scale – a scale made up of 5 notes	Led Zeppelin – Stairway to Heaven
To identify motifs in music.	Motif – a small repeated piece of music with	Rednex – Cotton Eye Joe
	characteristic rhythm and a characteristic	
	interval, within a bigger piece of music	Music with motifs:
	Octave – an interval of 8 notes (including the	Classical - Beethoven – fifth symphony
	start and end note which have the same letter)	Jazz - Scott Joplin - Maple Leaf Rag
		Film - John Williams - Hedwig's Theme

### Music Knowledge and Skills, Moore (Cycle B): Pitch

### **Key Question: How can I show pitch using notation?**

#### What I should already know Key knowledge **Kev skills** Staff Notation: In Western musical notation. Staff notation is a formal way of recording Learn how music can be inspired by a the stave is a set of five horizontal lines and music. variety of stimuli Create a short piece of music using The pentatonic scale originates from China. four spaces that each represent a different The pentatonic scale is made up of 5 notes. musical pitch images and word descriptions on the theme of Here is an example of the pentatonic scale water. starting on note C. Use dynamics when performing, improvising and singing different songs and pieces describing water through sound. Identify melodic shape and how some notes in the spaces notes on the lines melodies are smooth, moving mainly by step, while others are spiky and jagged and move Melody can move up and down by step. with large leaps. Discuss the effect which smooth and spiky A motif gives strength and structure to music that helps to hold it all together like glue. melodies have on music Melody can move by leap. Melody can also be repeated on the same note **End goal Key Vocabulary Key Music / People** Melodic shape – the shape of a melody in Identify all notes on a stave. Handel - Water Music Create and perform a piece of music inspired steps, leaps or the same repeated note Smooth melody: Grieg – Morning by the theme of water using dynamics. Dynamics – volume of sound Spiky melody: Holst – St Paul's Suite Crescendo – getting louder Diminuendo – getting quieter

### Music Knowledge and Skills, Cameron (Cycle A): Pitch

#### Key Ouestion: How does a chromatic scale differ from a major scale? What I should already know **Kev skills** Key knowledge The chromatic scale uses all 12 notes Play and perform a simple Pentatonic melody with accuracy of pitch. consisting of black and white notes Play as part of the class a piece which uses F# G# A# C# D# parts of the chromatic scale Perform the notes of the C major scale on a notes in the spaces notes on the lines glockenspiel using the correct chimes technique ascending Melody can move up and down by step. The major scale often sounds the same no matter what note it begins on because the pattern of notes (tones and semitones) is always the same. Below is the C major scale. It is called C major because it begins and ends on note C. Melody can move by leap. C Major Scale Melody can also be repeated on the same note End goal **Kev Vocabulary Key Music / People** To know what the chromatic scale is and Chromatic – a scale with notes that are a 'Is it Love' BBC Teach school Radio, David perform a melody using the chromatic scale. semitone apart Grant To know what a major scale is. Major - A common types of eight-note Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov - "Flight of the To identify tones and semitones in pitch. musical scale. Often described as having a Bumblebee" happy sound Sharp # - A sharp sign makes a note one semitone higher Flat b - A flat sign makes a note one semitone lower

# Music Knowledge and Skills, Cameron (Cycle B): Pitch

What I should already know	Key knowledge	Key skills
Different notes have duration values    Total	Review: pentatonic scales, chromatic scales, major scales, chords, tones and semitones in music.  Notes from a chosen scale can be used to compose a simple melody, and harmonies, using the same scale, can be added.  Dynamics can be used to give expression to our compositions.  A motif gives strength and structure to music that helps to hold it all together like glue.  A liemotif is a short, recurring musical phrase that is associated with a person, place or idea.	Apply previous knowledge of the elements of music to create a composition: sound, melody, harmony, texture, rhythm, structure expression.  Use dynamics when performing, improvising and singing different songs and pieces.
End goal	Key Vocabulary	Key Music / People
Know how to use knowledge of elements of music to create a composition: sound, melody, harmony, texture, rhythm, structure, expression.  Perform composition as a solo or ensemble.	Chromatic – a scale with notes that are a semitone apart Major - A common types of eight-note musical scale. Often described as having a happy sound Pentatonic scale – a scale made up of 5 notes	Peter and the Wolf, Prokofiev Ed Sheeran Pupil choice