

SESSION PLANS

MUSIC SESSION (OPTIONAL) - I HOUR

NOTE.



The finished audio drama may include existing music, sourced from a library or elsewhere.

However, if there is the time and the skilled teacher to create musical content with the children this session is an excellent activity and learning opportunity.

RESOURCES

LEARNING OUTCOMES.

- Storyline / Storyboard / Script (if ready)
- Musical instruments.

- Understand the role of MUSIC in drama.
- Create MUSIC for an audio drama.

ACTIVITIES.

Music Creation for the Drama

Read through your script, storyline or storyboard, and pick out elements for music creation.
Use one or more of the following prompts:

- ACTION Identifying parts of the story that could be supported by musical underscore.
 - A chase.
 - A moment of danger, threat, or suspense.
 - A surprise, or sudden event (discovery)
- CHARACTER Creating a musical motif for a character.
 - Think about your main character what kind of person are they? Shy, brave, clever...?
- THEME Create a theme for the whole story.
 - Think about genre: adventure, ghost story, science-fiction, mythological...
 - Think about setting: modern, historical, town, forest, at sea, in outer space...

Think about what instruments might work for your themes and characters:

- Glockenspiels are good for magical sounds.
- o Electronic sounds suggest aliens and outer space.
- Percussion is useful for fast action, such as a chase.



