

Year 8 The Beatles – Pop Music



Background Information

We will be exploring how and why The Beatles changed Pop Music forever. We will use key information that is specific to The Beatles to explore pop songs with a focus on Let it Be. We will learn to perform different parts of Let it Be on instruments and voice.

What tasks will I be completing?

- Chord playing techniques
- Vocal warm ups
- Learning to play a melody on keyboard and voice.
- Listening and appraising songs by The Beatles.
- Reading music.
- Performing solo and as part of a group.

Key terms and Skills	
Appraising	Listening to music and being able to discuss it using music specific terminology
Performing	Being able to playing Let it Be to others
Ensemble	Performing as part of a group
Elements	The different and key terms used to describe music: Melody Rhythm Structure Instruments Tempo Harmony Texture Dynamics Tonality
Instruments	Vocals, Piano, Electric guitar, Acoustic guitar, Bass guitar, Drum Kit, Organ
Structure	The different sections that “make-up” the song

Let it Be:

This is a well-known pop song written and performed by The Beatles. It is one of their most famous songs which was sung by Paul McCartney. We will listen, appraise and watch various performances of the song.

The Beatles:

The Beatles were formed in 1960.
The Beatles were from Liverpool.
They are regarded as the most influential band of all time.
The 4 members of The Beatles: John Lennon, Paul McCartney, Ringo Starr and George Harrison.
There are only 2 members of The Beatles alive today Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr.



CHECKLIST

- STRUCTURE- INTRO/OUTRO**
- Include the sounds of the instruments
- USE DYNAMICS**
- Perform at least Verse 1 and Chorus
- BE CONFIDENT**
- WOW- what extra can you add in?**

