

Knowledge Organiser



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Subject: MUSIC Year: 7 Topic Title: MUSIC AND MEANING

Lesson 5 – Music and Meaning – Tempo

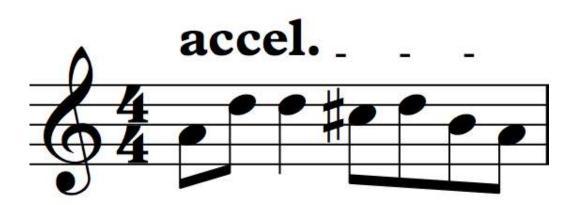
Key Facts from this lesson

Tempo describes the speed of the music. The three most commonly used tempo in music are **andante**, **moderato** and **allegro**. An **andante** tempo may be used to represent a sad emotion, or slow character. Contrastingly, an **allegro** tempo may be used to represent a happy emotion or lively character. Changing tempo throughout a piece can be used to represent a change in mood. For example an **accelerando** could foreshadow the introduction of a new character or change the character's emotion.

Key words and definitions from this lesson:

- **★ Tempo –** describes the speed of the music
- **★ Accelerando –** gradually get faster
- **★ Andante -** slow tempo
- **★ Moderato -** moderate tempo
- **★ Allegro** fast tempo

Diagrams/ Maps/ illustration to help with learning



Key Performance Indicators - Performance

- 7.1.1 Demonstrate fluency and accuracy on at least two instruments
- 7.1.2 Demonstrate ensemble listening skills in a group task
- 7.1.3 Use appropriate musical notation when playing and singing