

## Cycle B Traditional instruments and improvisation (India)

### Musical style: Music and instruments from India



### Instruments

Indian flute



Harmonium



Tabla



Tanpura



Sitar



**Previous Learning:** building on pupils' ability to compose music using basic rhythms and improvisation.

**Next step:** compose a piece of music using notations of their own.

### Vocabulary

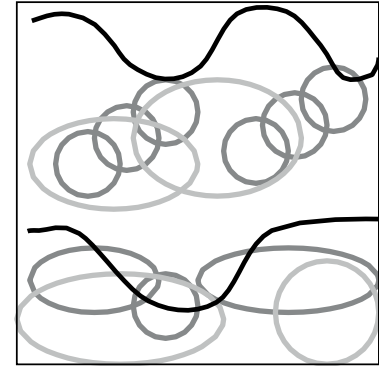
#### Bollywood

Indian films that involve singing and dancing, similar to a musical.

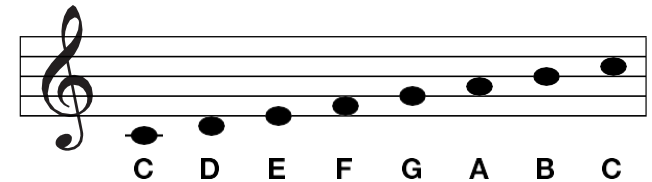
#### Notation

The way that music is written so that others can play it.

#### Graphic score



#### Stave and letter notation



Musical notation helps us to 'write' and 'read' the melodies so they won't be forgotten and can be played by others.

#### Tal

A repeated rhythm played over and over on the tabla.

#### Rag

A series of notes which Indian music uses to create the tune.

#### Drone

A long held note usually played on the Tanpura.

#### Improvising

Making up music as it is played or performed.