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<p>Last week in the Listening column, we focussed on <b>Programme Music</b>. This kind of music tells a story using the instruments and the tunes they play to describe something happening. I thought we'd stick with it as there are so many different pieces to choose from.</p>	<p>One composer in our Gallery, <i>George Gershwin</i>, is most famous for a piece of music called "<i>Rhapsody in Blue</i>" which has a very tricky part for <i>clarinet</i> at the start. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=db90KwVVDAs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=db90KwVVDAs</a></p>	<p>Perform your "<i>Monster Music</i>". Can you explain to the other people in your house what a <i>trill</i> is? Play them a <i>glissando</i> and see if your family can tell the difference. You could have a competition!</p>
<p><i>Modest Mussorgsky</i> wrote a set of ten pieces called "<i>Pictures at an Exhibition</i>". Each part is about a different painting by his friend Viktor Hartmann. The whole thing sounds like a walk through an Art Gallery. This part, "Promenade" is the slow walk round the paintings. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9aJhglaqOY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9aJhglaqOY</a></p>	<p>It starts off with <i>trills</i> where the notes flutter quickly followed by a <i>glissando</i> where the notes slide from one to the next in order. Can you make <i>trills</i> and <i>glissando</i> sounds on this <b>virtual piano</b>? Move quickly between two keys back and forth for a <i>trill</i>. Slide up or down through lots of keys for a <i>glissando</i>. <a href="https://www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano">https://www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano</a></p>	<p>Let your family hear your "<i>Glissando song</i>". You can tell them that the <b>theremin</b> was invented by Leon Theremin nearly 100 years ago. It is a musical instrument that you don't even need to touch. (They might recognise it from "The Big Bang Theory") <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YYABE0R3uA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YYABE0R3uA</a></p>
<p>So, let's take a walk round our own Musical Art Gallery with some other pieces <b>of Programme Music</b>. Here is what Antonín Dvořák thought a <b>Water Goblin</b> sounded like <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kV-vuBUnZbE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kV-vuBUnZbE</a> Claude Debussy imagined a <b>Mythical Faun</b> in the afternoon. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JT_pc4wyeHo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JT_pc4wyeHo</a> <b>Paris in the 1920's</b> by George Gershwin <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WcltixsFgjM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WcltixsFgjM</a> As you listen to each clip, can you point to one of the pictures on the next page that "match" the music? Whoever is helping you with the links can muddle them up if they want!</p>	<p>The Sesame Street Gang have some musical instruments for you to explore. Look for <u>Elmo's Keyboard</u>. You can play <i>trills</i> and try out a <i>glissando</i> or two. Can you make your own tune? Add in a beat and invent some music. <a href="https://pbskids.org/sesame/games/monster-music/">https://pbskids.org/sesame/games/monster-music/</a></p> <p>This weird and wonderful musical instrument can really only play sliding notes. It is called a <b>theremin</b>. This <i>virtual</i> one will give you the chance to make up a "<i>Glissando Song</i>". You can experiment with the switches. <a href="https://theremin.app/">https://theremin.app/</a></p>	<p>George Gershwin's music, including "An American in Paris" was an inspiration for the film of the same name. Here is another of his famous songs from the film. Can you join in with the dancing in "<i>I Got Rhythm</i>"? <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mM-K2xVFyk0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mM-K2xVFyk0</a></p> <p>Send me a photo or a short video of anything you have done. I'd love to see how you are getting on. Don't forget to add your Name, Class and School.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">gw08mconochieleona@glow.sch.uk</p>

# *Our Musical Art Gallery*

