







# MUSIC

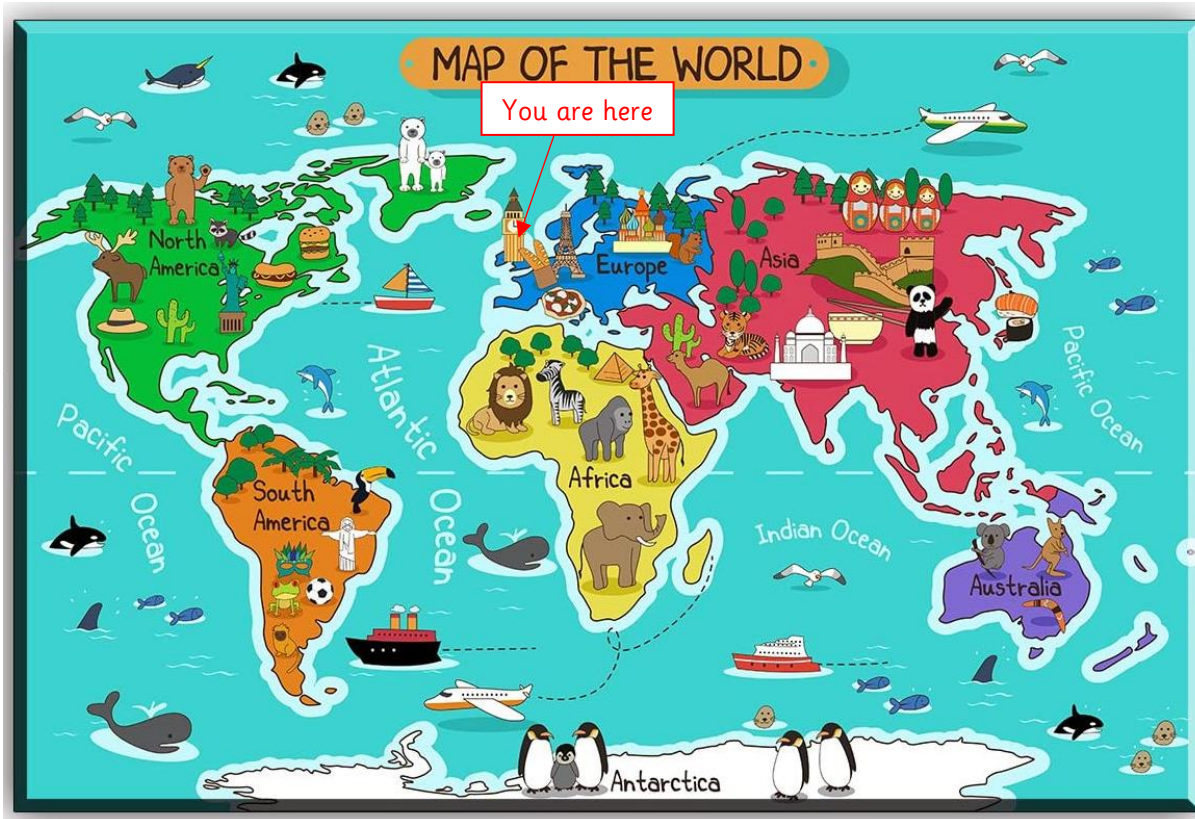
## FIRST LEVEL

P2 P3 P4

T4 Wk 7



 LISTENING 	 INVENTING 	 PERFORMING 
<p>Did anyone notice the <i>Google Doodle</i> from a week or so back all about the <b>Mbira</b>? Here is some music played on a Mbira, also known as a <i>thumb piano</i>.  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXakMbOzYdA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXakMbOzYdA</a></p>	<p>There are four <b>Mbira</b> melodies to have a go at using the Google Doodle and you can learn a little bit more about how it works, how it is made and where it comes from. There is a “free play” section at the end.  <b>Invent your own Mbira melody</b>  <a href="https://www.google.com/doodles/celebrating-mbira">https://www.google.com/doodles/celebrating-mbira</a></p>	<p>Perform your <b>Mbira</b> melody to your family. You can even share with them some of the information about the “Shona People” if you investigated the rest of the Doodle. If you have a rattle or a shaker in your house get someone to join in with the beat.</p>
<p>The <b>Mbira</b> is a traditional instrument from <i>Zimbabwe</i> in Southern <i>Africa</i>. Can you find Africa on the map? This clip shows some traditional music, singing and dancing. See the leg rattles? These are called <b>magavhu</b> and they help the dancer become part of the music.  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pbs80p4-nGM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pbs80p4-nGM</a></p>	<p><i>(If you're interested here's the story behind the doodle)</i>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7CbwNj3ZM2g">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7CbwNj3ZM2g</a></p> <p>Here we meet musician Kouame Sereba. He is going to show you ways to play a <b>Djembe</b>. This is the drum that you might have noticed earlier. *<i>see below</i></p>	<p>Play you <b>Djembe</b> pattern on whatever “instrument” you have chosen. You can even use a piece of your favourite music as a backing track and play your pattern along with it. The <b>Djembe</b> helps keep a steady pulse.</p>
<p>The English composer <i>David Fanshawe</i> used recordings he made of the people and music from parts of Africa to write his “<i>African Sanctus</i>”. It is a mix of choir singing mostly in <i>Latin</i>, a “rock band” with piano and the African recordings. In this section, you can hear a <i>thumb piano</i>. (57seconds in)  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=morggkm6rM8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=morggkm6rM8</a></p>	<p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XkniQOVgEj4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XkniQOVgEj4</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cpQvxPfhj0E">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cpQvxPfhj0E</a>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ta1Q6l_KbHA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ta1Q6l_KbHA</a></p>	<p>Have you noticed that the <b>Mbira</b> works in a very similar way to the “twangy ruler” activity you might have chosen a couple of weeks ago? You could find someone to help you play the two “instruments” together. Make your own <i>African Sanctus</i>, where two musical cultures are combined.</p>
<p><i>Oliver Mtukudzi</i> and the group <i>Ladysmith Black Mambazo</i> are modern-day musicians. They are famous both in South Africa and around the world. This is a peaceful song called “<i>Neria</i>”  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gVwLivorMck">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gVwLivorMck</a></p>	<p>Now, you might have a secret <b>Djembe</b> hiding in your house, but I know I don't, so I used an upside-down plastic mixing bowl and I also tried it with a big soup pot. You could do it on the edge of a table. <b>Invent your own Djembe pattern using the sounds boom, pa and ta.</b> You can use his patterns and mix them around or invent your own.</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.             gw08mconochieleona@glow.sch.uk</p>



*You can use these patterns or make your own using the same sounds.*

boom boom boom pa  
 boom boom boom pa ta  
 boom ta boom boom ta boom



boom & pa



ta

Everyone should be able to achieve this.

This might challenge some P2's but Most P3 and 4's should cope.

Using all three variations is a bigger challenge for P2 and P3 but P4's should try this.