

MUSIC

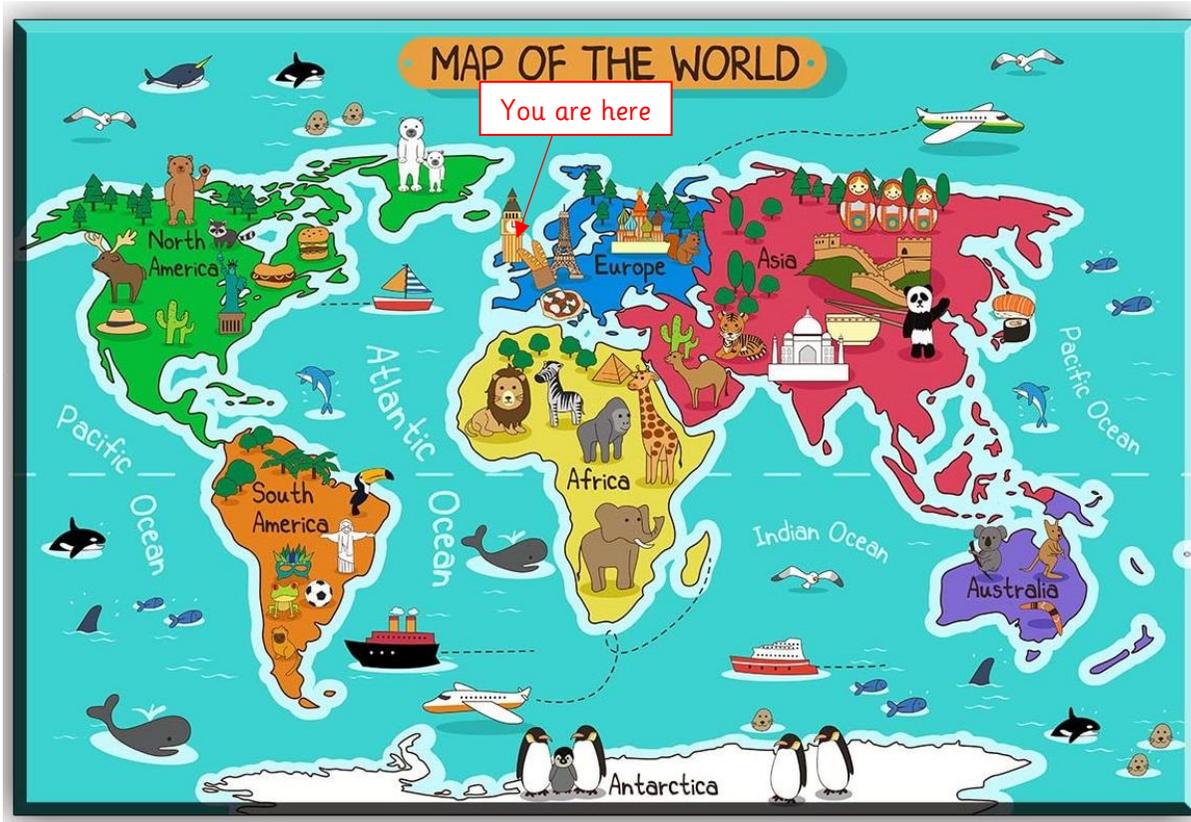
FIRST LEVEL

P2 P3 P4

T4 Wk 7

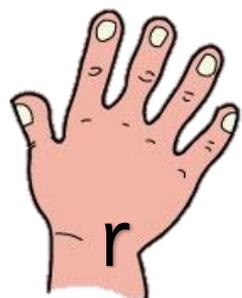


 LISTENING 	 INVENTING 	 PERFORMING 
<p>Did anyone notice the <i>Google Doodle</i> from a week or so back all about the Mbira? Here is some music played on a Mbira, also known as a <i>thumb piano</i>. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXakMbOzYdA</p>	<p>There are four Mbira melodies to have a go at using 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. Invent your own Mbira melody https://www.google.com/doodles/celebrating-mbira</p>	<p>Perform your Mbira 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 Mbira 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 magavhu and they help the dancer become part of the music. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pbs80p4-nGM</p>	<p><i>(If you're interested here's the story behind the doodle)</i> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7CbwNj3ZM2g</p>	<p>Play you Djembe 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 Djembe 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) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=morggkm6rM8</p>	<p>Here we meet musician Kouame Sereba. He is going to show you ways to play a Djembe. This is the drum that you might have noticed earlier. <i>*see below</i> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XkniQOVgEj4 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cpQvxPfhj0E https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ta1Q6l_KbHA</p>	<p>Have you noticed that the Mbira 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>” https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gVwLivorMck</p>	<p>Now, you might have a secret Djembe 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. Invent your own Djembe pattern using the sounds boom, pa and ta. 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.