

PREPARING TO STUDY...

A Level Music

Here are some activities to keep you busy and to help you prepare to study A Level Music.

LISTEN TO A SYMPHONY

Part of the key content for A Level Music is studying the Development of the Symphony. Listen to a symphony of your choice and write a review of it.

Here are some recommendations:

Beethoven [Symphony No 9](#),
Tchaikovsky [Symphony No 5](#), Mozart
[Symphony No 40](#)



MUSICAL HEROES...

Who inspires you as a musician? Is it a composer, songwriter, performer? Someone who plays the same instrument as you? Find out about them and create a biography - include links to their work. What can you learn from them?



GET CREATIVE

Compose a new piece of music that features your own instrument. How can you showcase the key features of your instrument (or voice) Use any software available to you (Musescore/Garageband etc), and write for solo instrument with or without accompaniment



ENJOY A MUSICAL

Another key topic is musical theatre. Watch a musical with a member of your family. Have a discussion afterwards, what were the best bits? Why? What was your favourite song/character



BRUSH UP ON MUSIC THEORY

Improve/review your understanding of music theory, it will come in really useful for A Level Music. Either buy yourself a book from [Amazon](#) or use this website; www.musictheory.net



CREATE A PLAYLIST

Create a Spotify playlist for a specific musical style, composer, or musical period. You can only include 10 tracks. What would your choices be? Create a short explanation of why you've chosen each track. Here are some musical styles you could explore: impressionism, the Baroque period, nationalism.

