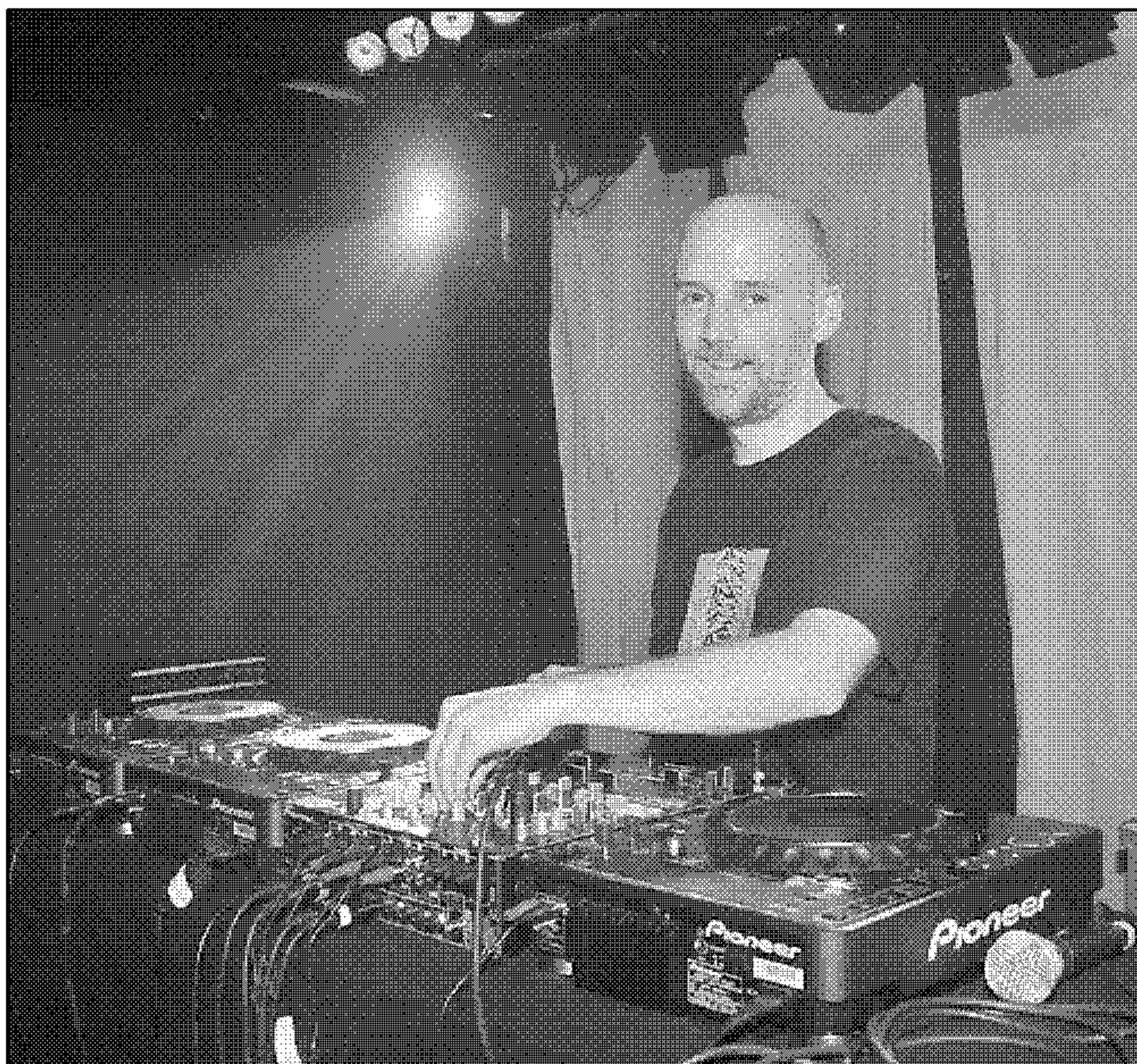


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GCSE Set Work Analysis & Activities



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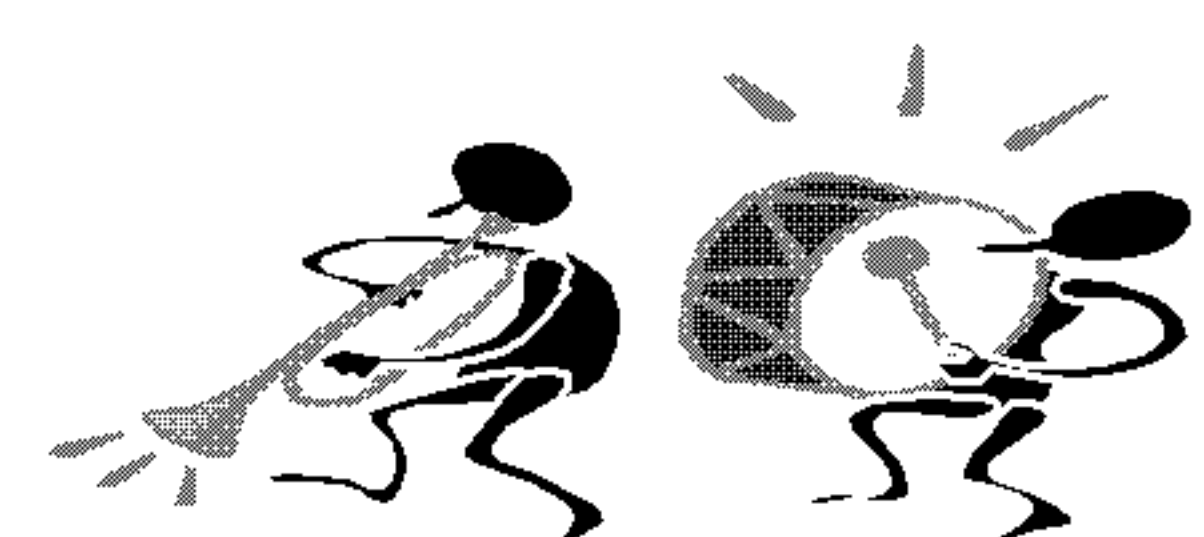
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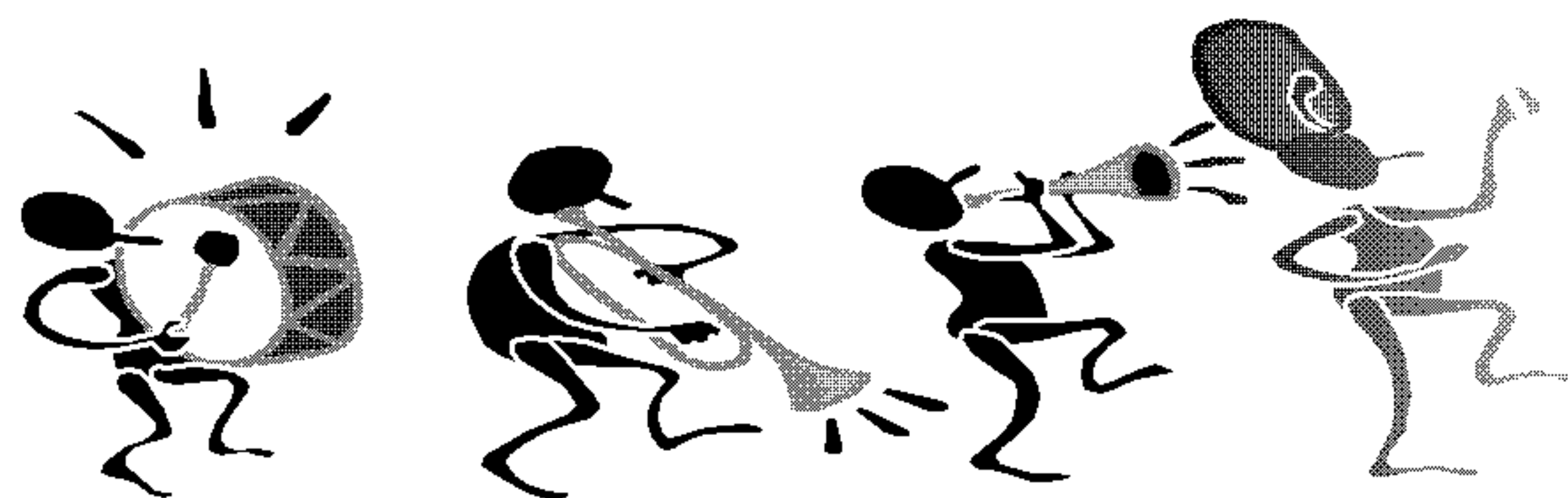
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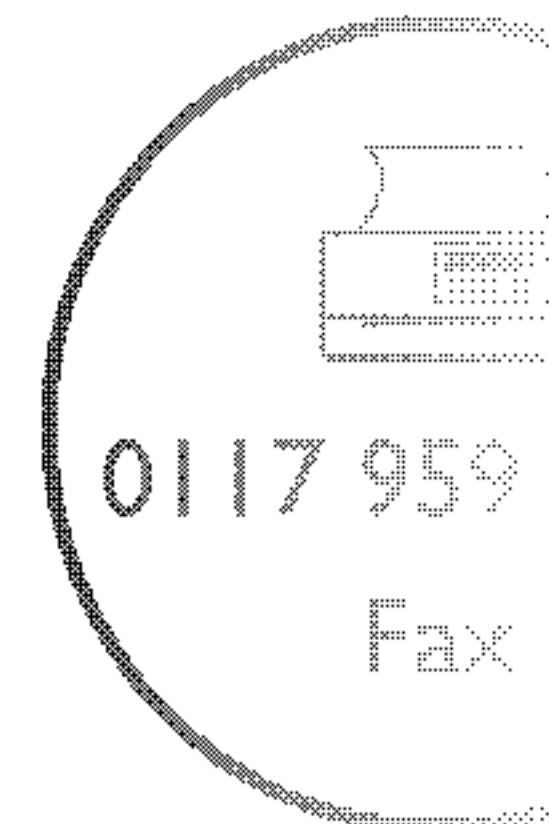
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Teacher's Introduction

This is an extremely valuable resource for candidates of all abilities. However, B- to C-grade candidates in particular will find it very useful for raising their standards, as they often struggle to use music vocabulary well. This resource tackles layout and approach.

The composition task and the practice questions are aimed at all grades. The Class 10 task can be taught jointly as a performance piece and as a learning exercise for the musical. The overall structure and internal structure can be used as templates for a composition or analysis task, encouraged by the teacher to analyse the music and to learn the devices used and to apply them to the task.

The separate arrangement task will take the candidates through the steps of creating an original inspired arrangement. 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' is analysed in detail in the listening paper. It is then analysed again using the composition content guide and then for the analysis unit content of the listening paper. This is to make the resource more accessible for teachers and to make it adaptable to different teaching styles.

There are mark schemes for the practice questions and a keywords table with definitions. The resource is aimed at teachers that have little or no knowledge of the music of Moby. Its sole purpose is to provide accessible information to the busy teacher who does not need to be bombarded with technical terms to be used in conjunction with the Edexcel Schemes of Work.

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Introduction to 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad'

The Overview

'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' is a piece written in the electronic dance music genre. The music structure of introduction, verse, chorus, verse 2, break, chorus and coda. The piece uses vocal music samples. Sample 1 is a male voice sample and is used for the verses. Sample 2 is a female voice sample and is used for the choruses. The entire piece was constructed by DJ/ composer/producer Moby using samples, virtual instruments and a home studio. The sound engineering techniques used were instruments.

Factual Information

Title of set work: Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?

Edexcel GCSE Music area of study: Number 3

Composer: Moby (1965 – present)

Musicians: Moby (Richard Melville Hall)

Album title: Play

Album date: 1999

Stockist: <http://www.amazon.co.uk>

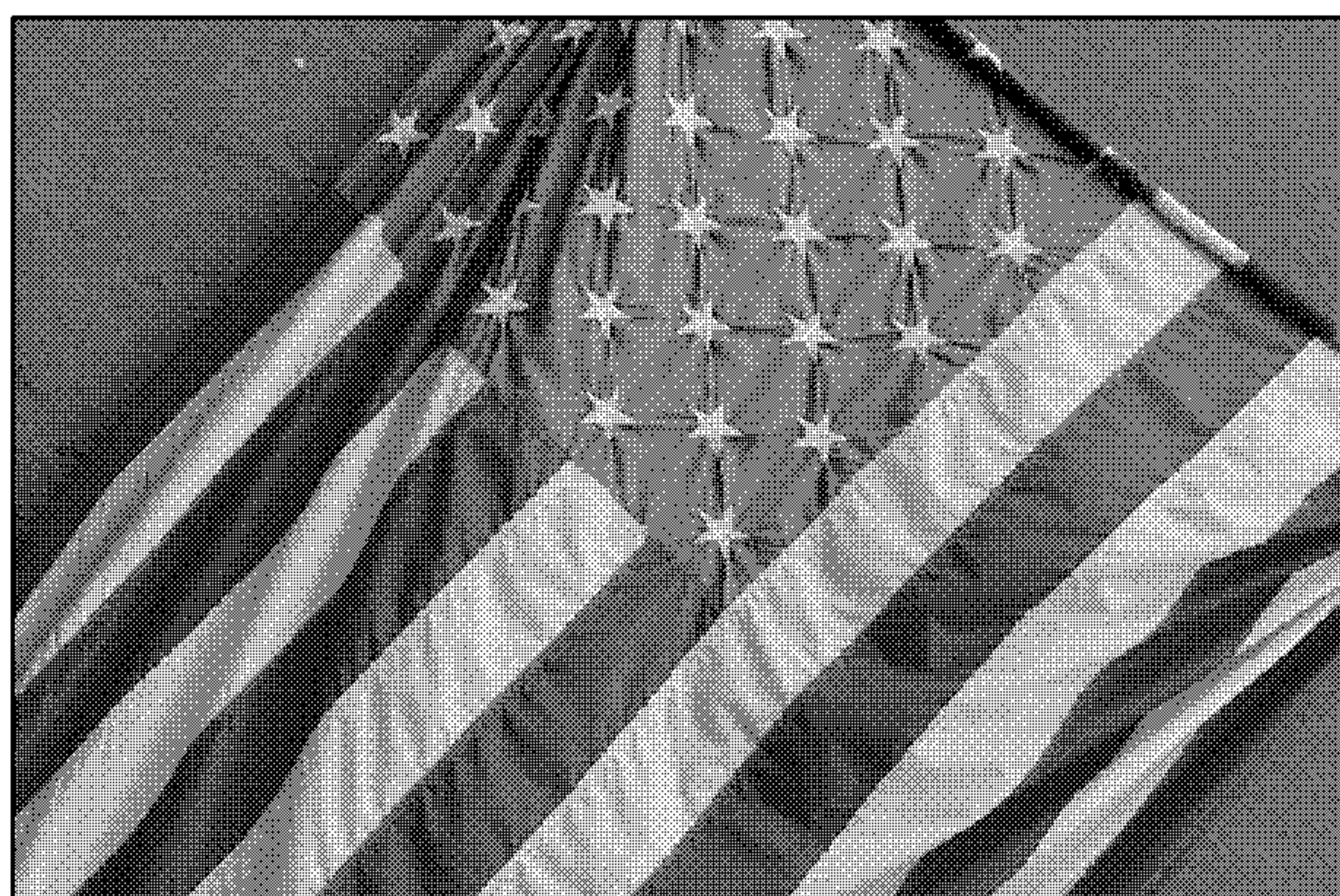
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Country of origin: United States

Geographical information:

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Official language: US English



The US flag



Meaning – social and cultural context

Moby was born Richard Melville Hall on September 1965 in New Haven, Connecticut and grew up in Connecticut and there before dropping out of school to pursue his musical career. After experiencing hard times he gradually gained recognition.

'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' is an electronic dance music piece because it uses virtual instruments in its production. The drum kit, bass, vocal sounds are not performed live. The samples were taken from a gospel choir record which were grabbed from the record as the main musical element and mixing technique. The timbre of the musical instrument is a key feature in the piece.

This piece was originally called *Play*. It was released in the UK initially and only reached the charts. However, since its release *Play* has sold over 1 million copies worldwide due to its use in films, television and advertising. *Play* was an unexpected success as it sold slowly to begin with.

Moby continues to be a DJ/composer/producer and is known for his integrity as a Christian and rights activist.

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Contextual Information

Electronic Dance Music and Electronica

Electronic dance music evolved in the early 1990s out of acid house music and the 1980s. Its roots derived from the practices of dub reggae where studio mixing technique was as important as the instrument as well as for the musical arrangements of instrumental parts. There was a philosophy and concept which was equally important. This philosophy and concept remained intact through the evolution of electronic dance music. The genre evolved as a direct result of technological developments in track recorders, sequencers and computer sequencing software. This enabled multi-track arrangers and composers to be able to make their own music by inputting all the parts, rather than relying on other musicians. Formulas and features, new genres and practices evolved.

Electronica is a style of dance music which is typically created using only electronic manipulated samples, and the other instruments are virtual rather than actual. The equipment used includes a sampler, sequencer, midi instruments, synthesizers, drum machine and a mixing desk.

Biography of Moby

Information has been sourced from <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moby> and <http://www.moby.com/biography>

Moby (Richard Melville Hall) was born in Harlem, New York on 11th September 1965 and went to the University of Connecticut. However, he dropped out to pursue his music. He had some rough times, including living in an attic with no heating or running hot water. In 1991, he got his career break and his life changed for the better.

Music Career

Moby began classical guitar training at nine years old. Later on he progressed on to bass, drums, voice and turntables. He performed in several bands and even recorded with some. He signed to a small label called Instinct Records in 1989. He made a few singles which entered the UK charts in the top 10 with a remix of 'Laura Palmer's Theme' from the popular show 'Twin Peaks'. His single 'Go' was a hit. Moby made several other singles which were remixes and toured with them.

In 1993, Moby signed to the Mute Records label and made a new album called *Moby* the same year with a few famous bands. In 1995, Moby released his first album called *Everytime*. In 1996, he released his second album called *Animal Rights*. In 1997, Moby released a third album called *Mezzanine* which was a collection of his music which had been used for films. During these years, he toured with professional bands and appeared on UK's Top of the Pops show with hit songs.

The album *Play* was Moby's most successful album to date. It was Moby's fourth album released in 1999. It was in the ambient electronica genre of music and was released by Mute Records. It began with 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' only got to No. 16 in the charts and then fell lower in the charts. However, 10 months after its first release, the album began to rise and reached No. 1 in the UK. From then on the album soared in popularity and all 18 songs became popular and were used for films, television shows and commercials. Moby had given himself to depression over its failure, so was shocked at how the album had rebounded so extremely successful on its return. It went on to sell over 10 million copies globally, making it the most successful electronica album ever.

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1. Honey
2. Find my Baby
3. Porcelain
4. Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?
5. South Side
6. Rushing
7. Bodyrock
8. Natural Blues
9. Machete
10. 7
11. Run On
12. Down Slow
13. If Things Were Perfect
14. Everloving
15. Inside
16. Guitar, Flute & String
17. The Sky is Broken
18. My Weakness

Song list reproduced from <http://www.moby.com>

Additional information about Moby's approach to music making may be found on his website. This may serve as a homework task to browse this website at the end of studying this set work.

Moby has gone on to record several more successful albums after *Play*. Some of these include *Mezzanine* in 2005, *Last Night* in 2008 and *Wait for Me* in 2009. Since *Play*, Moby has released 10 more albums, received numerous awards, collaborated with various famous musicians, and composed music for films, TV shows and commercials. He continues to be a very influential musician, DJ and composer.

Beliefs

Moby believes that Jesus Christ is God and reads the New Testament often. He does not eat any animal product, so he is a vegan. He is also an animal rights activist. He often shares his opinions on his beliefs, and publishes an essay on the inlay of his records. He has 5 essays on his beliefs, and also makes it clear that he does not believe it is right to force his opinions on others. He is the only one who is right. He strongly believes in fairness and the rights of individuals to make personal choices.

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Unit 1: Performing Music

‘Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?’ – Overview

The main musical ideas are as follows:

Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad


Moderato
INTRODUCTION (in the Dorian mode on A)



Moderato
VERSE (Idea 1 in the Dorian mode on A)



Moderato
CHORUS (Idea 2a debatably in C major)



CHORUS (Idea 2b in C major)



The basic structure of this song is given in the table below:

Sections	Details
Introduction	The chord pattern from idea 1
Verse 1	Idea 1 is the first vocal sample and it is presented four times (ideas texture for each presentation. The chords remain the same through
Chorus	Idea 2a is presented first. Idea 2b follows with a livelier backing rhy the vocal sample.
Verse 2	Idea 1 is repeated in its fourth presentation version with some char The vocal sample is triggered more frequently as a call and respons different recording techniques to make it sound different.
Break	This is one bar of silence except for the dying reverbs and echoes of
Chorus	Ideas are presented in the order: 2a but with a thinner and less upl the vocals, then 2b and 2b again as before but with cleaner vocals.
Coda	Idea 1 is presented once with noticeable surface sounds on the voc just a soft synth pad playing sustained chords.

The entire song was constructed by multi-track recordings of samples and virtual in

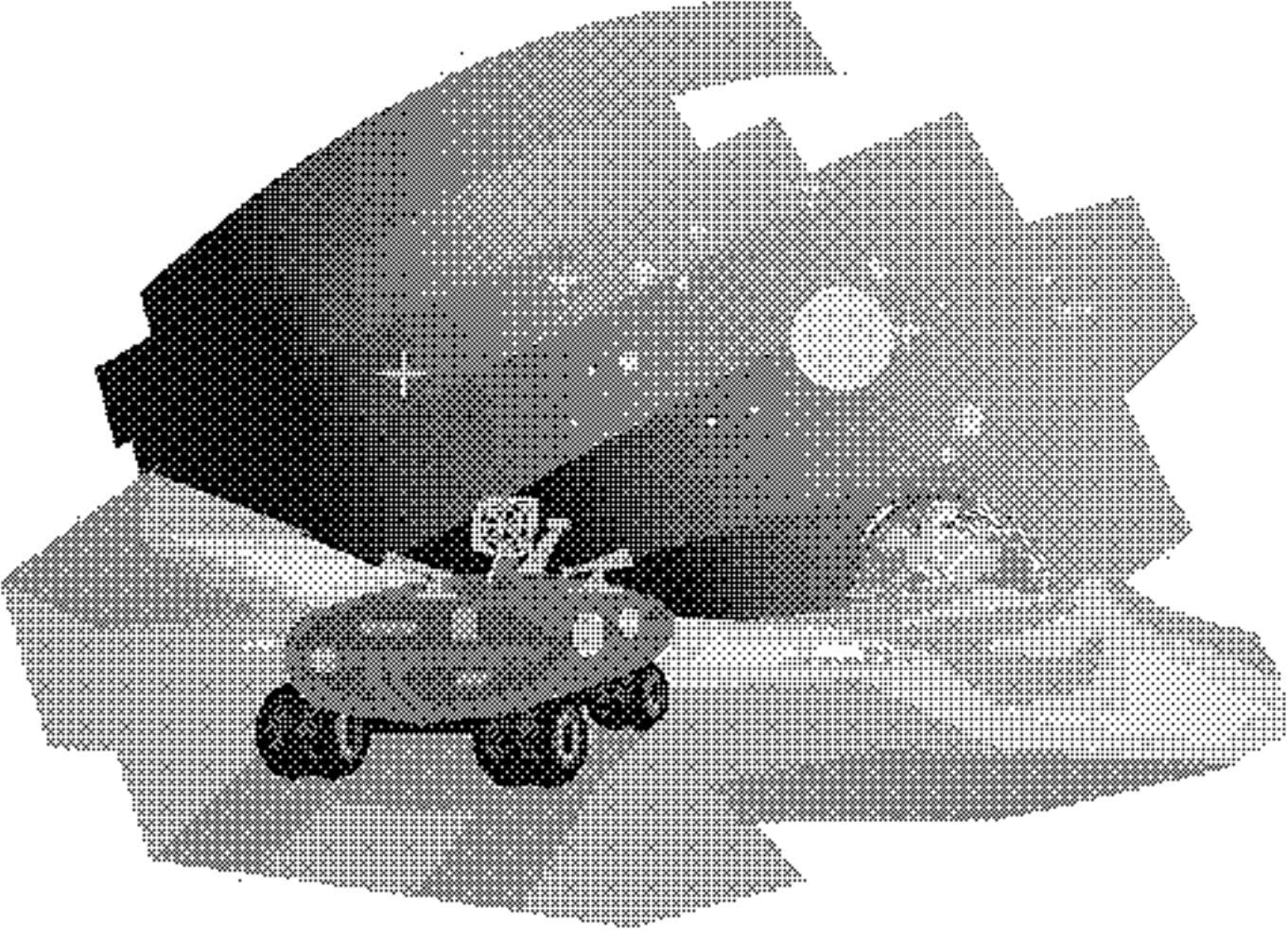


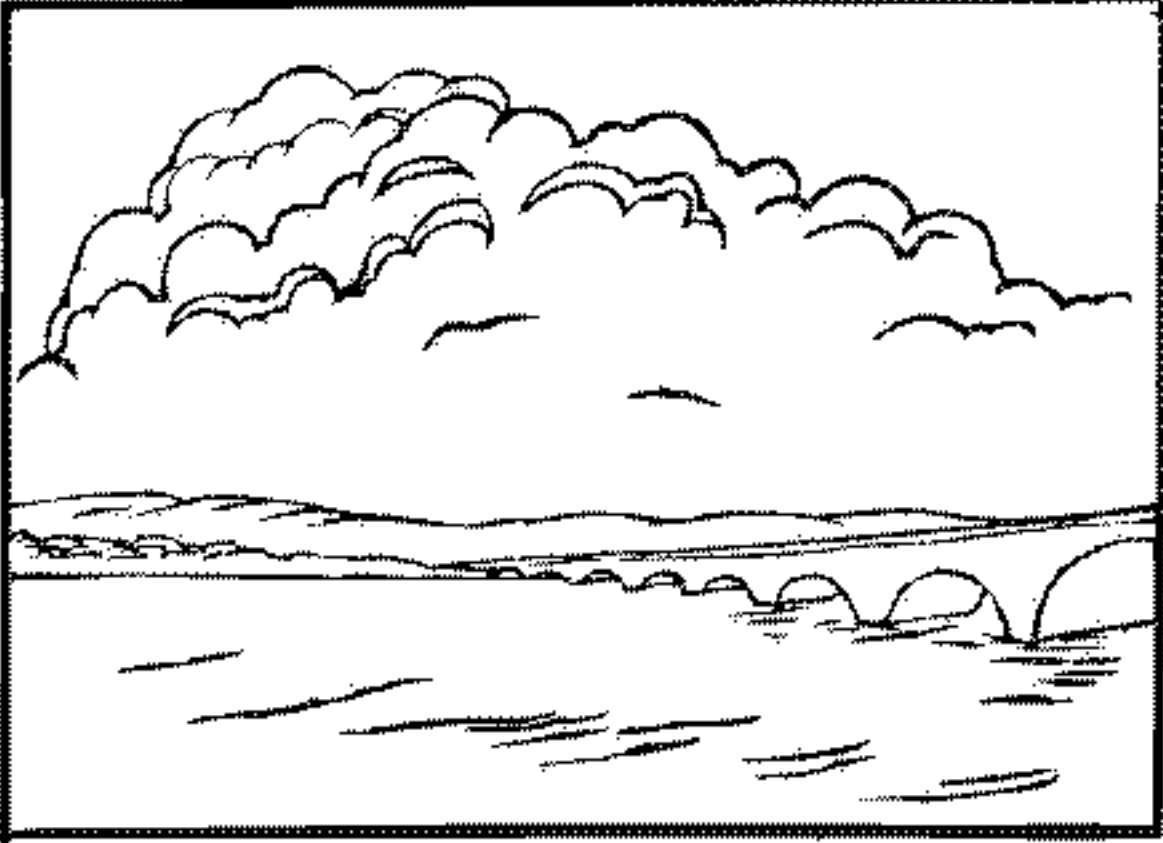
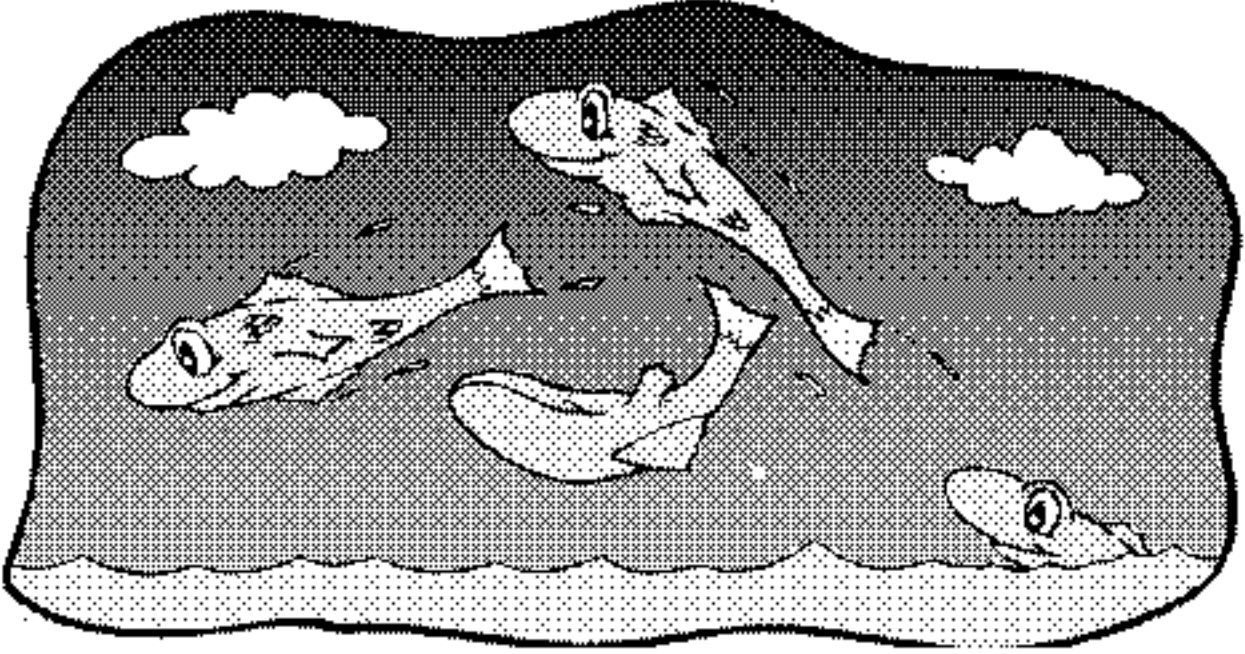

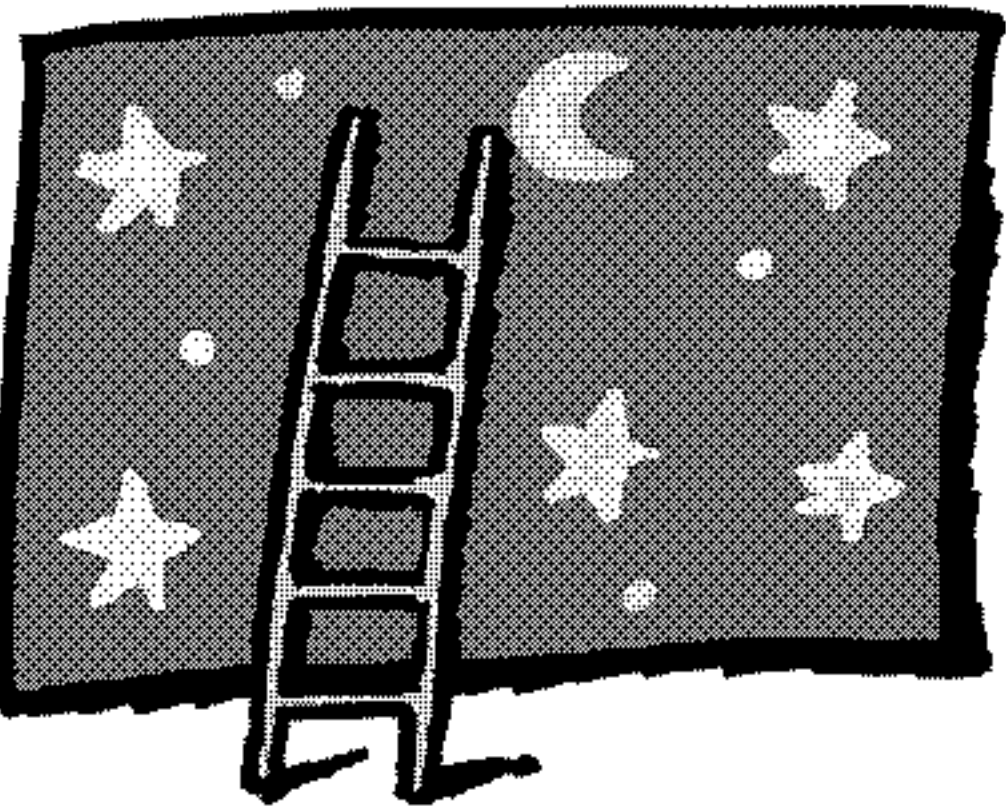
The animated version omits the introduction but follows the rest of the song struc storyboard. The animated story is about an animated moon boy called Little idiot e a name). They get bored on the moon so come to earth on a motorised vehicle du through various experiences on earth for the day before climbing back up to the m little idiots artwork has become a collective of several animators who now run an e little idiots merchandise. The Little Idiot Collective was organised by Moby.

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Watch the official animation video on YouTube –
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qT6XCvDUUsU&ob=av3e>

This page has cross-curricular links with Drama and English.

Storyboard	Story	
	Little idiot and dog are on the moon. They get bored so come down to earth on a motor vehicle.	There is a version b original v Verse 1 Verse 1 c the lyrics Why doe in with th idiot in th the first p travel. Id changes i but the c
	Little idiot and dog catch rush-hour transport to the park.	
	Little idiot and dog are in the park.	
	Little idiot and dog begin to make friends and socialise. However, some children in the park begin to be hostile.	Chorus Ideas 2a doors' tie human is
	Little idiot comes to terms with the hostility of the children in the park and begins to leave.	Verse 2 The word the anim for the fo 1 is used.
	Little idiot and dog are carried up into the sky by two birds and then they are dropped. They fall and land on two clouds which descend to float on water.	Break One bar away of 1
	Little idiot and dog sink into the water and see a mermaid and fish before swimming back up.	Chorus The lyrics lots of ne his dog a sea and v they trav are prese then 2b a
	Little idiot and dog go on a world tour through an icy cold environment, followed by a desert and then rain, before arriving in a city with high buildings.	
	Little idiot and dog go to a restaurant and then to bed.	
	Little idiot and dog climb on a ladder and return to the moon.	Coda Idea 1 re effects a;

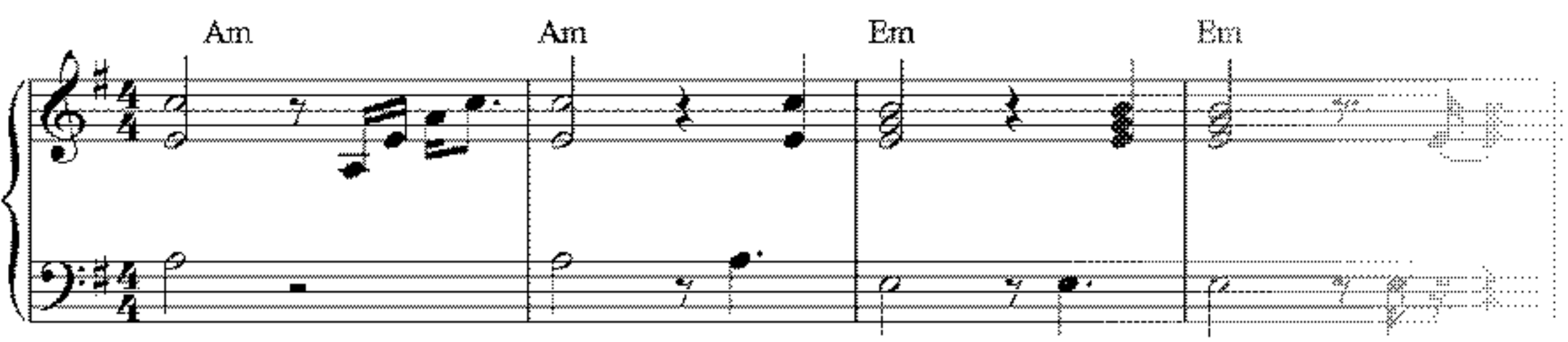
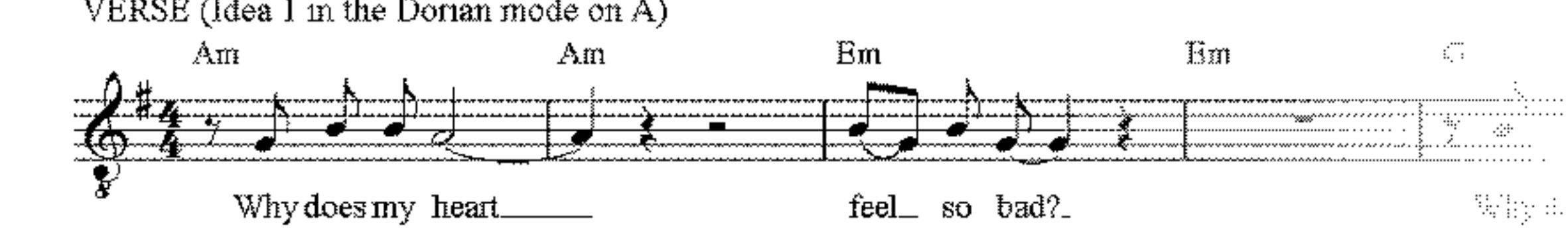
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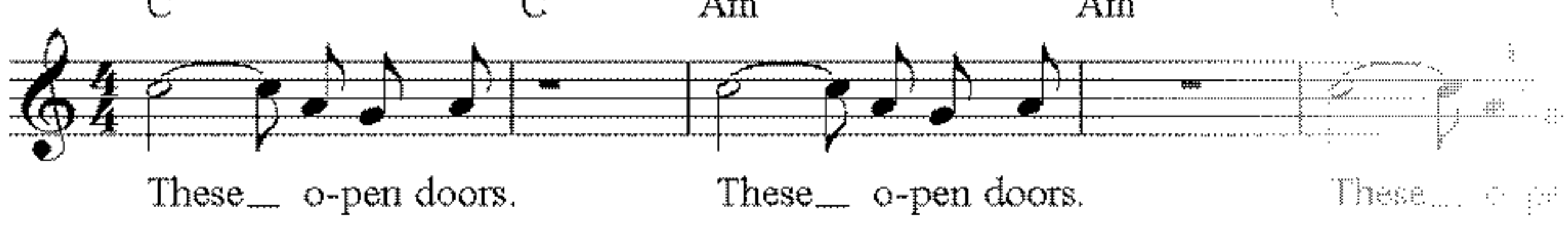

‘Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?’ – Detailed Analysis (Full Version)

Sound on Sound magazine online <http://www.soundonsound.com/sos/feb00/a> provides a great detail about how Moby constructed this set work, his approach and precisely how the information was acquired from Tom Flint’s interview with Moby and built into this analysis.

Sections	Timings	Ideas	Detailed Analysis
Introduction	0m00s – 0m19s	Idea 1 chords	<p>Moderato INTRODUCTION (in the Dorian mode on A)</p>  <p>There is one chord per bar. The basic chords in each bar are: Am Am Em Em G </p> <p>The chords are performed as per the score, in general using the <i>EMU Proformance</i> sound module.</p>
		Idea 1a	<p>Moderato VERSE (Idea 1 in the Dorian mode on A)</p>  <p>This is idea 1. It is a male voice from a 1953 recording sampled into Moby’s Akai 3200 sampler. Moby did some reverb and filtering. (He explained in his interview that he cleaned up by running it through a Pro Tools filter but decided to leave the surface noises in.) As 1a, it has an accompaniment playing the introduction material with the piano solo using the <i>Proformance</i> sound module.</p>
Verse 1	0m20s – 1m38s	1b	The male vocal sample is used again but in a much more processed way with surface noises removed. SPX90 reverb and a little delay are used and piano. This is now accompanied by additional synth parts and counter melody in antiphonal response to the vocal. It is produced by Moby’s Yamaha SY22 and SY85 synthesizers. A second piano part is used to add a second piano part which doubles the vocal melody and is doing something more independent in the last few bars. The drum part was programmed on a Roland TR-808 and a breakbeat from a hip hop song was applied over it, matching the drum machine tempo.
		1c	The sub-bass part now joins in. It was played by Moby’s Moog synthesizer. Another string part also joins in with sustained notes.
		1d	The backing piano chords are played with a more lively feel using sus2 and sus4 chords.

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Chorus	1m38s – 2m17s	2a	<p>Moderato</p> <p>CHORUS (Idea 2a debatably in C major)</p>  <p>This is idea 2a. It a sampled female voice from the Shining different. They are: C Am C Am with a chord per bar. This is</p> <p>The texture is similar to 1d except that the higher piano n counter melody. The string part which played a counterme prominent counter melody based around treble C. The sus mixed further back and play the new chords.</p>
		2b	<p>CHORUS (Idea 2b in C major)</p>  <p>This is idea 2b. It is very similar to idea 2a but the same vo replace the rests except every fourth bar – which is punch on the second beat. The backing parts and texture remain generally higher in pitch due to the different chords. The F F C C F F C C and phrased as a reg</p>
Verse 2	2m17s – 2m56s	1d	<p>SPX90 reverb and a little delay are added to the main voca vocal part, which is the same sampled vocals in musical ide response treatment of idea 1. The second vocal sample w and then passed through a high-pass filter. (This work wa recording and retrieved for use here.) Heavy EQ was also i mixdown. All these changes make the vocal part sound as responds to the main vocal sample with noticeable delay i the drum kit rhythm loop. The backing parts are the same high bass, sustained string chords, counter melody and syn</p>
		1d	<p>The sub-bass, high bass, sustained string chords, counterm rhythms are all still there to qualify this as another repeat the string parts have been moved backwards in the mix so texture sounds less full.</p>
Break	2m56s – 2m58s	1	<p>This is only a bar long and has nothing but the dying echo</p>
Chorus	2m59s – 3m57s	2a	<p>The 2a idea returns but accompanied with nothing more t lot of reverb on the vocal sample.</p>
		2b	<p>The texture and parts from 2b returns but with a cleaner l</p>
		2b	<p>Idea 2b is repeated as a structural device to lead the listen This is a structural device commonly employed in the pop</p>
Coda	3m58s – 4m20s	1	<p>Idea 1a returns with all the surface noises on the vocal sa played on a soft synth pad. The final chord is left to die ou</p>

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Moby did all the sequencing using Cubase (version 1) and saved all his samples in b synthesizers and samples up to his Spirit 24:8:2 mixing desk. He mixed his parts on everything straight onto DAT tape. Moby explains on the Sound on Sound website tends to take some frequencies off the low-end, mid-range and high-end of the vo and tends to leave low-end frequencies on the bass. He tries to give each part its o the overall mix for emotional impact. He finds it a lengthy process but a convenient own pace in the comfort of his own home without having to worry about the sched studio time. Each project would take several months to a year to complete as Mob an electronic dance music masterpiece.

Using the Class Activity Worksheet

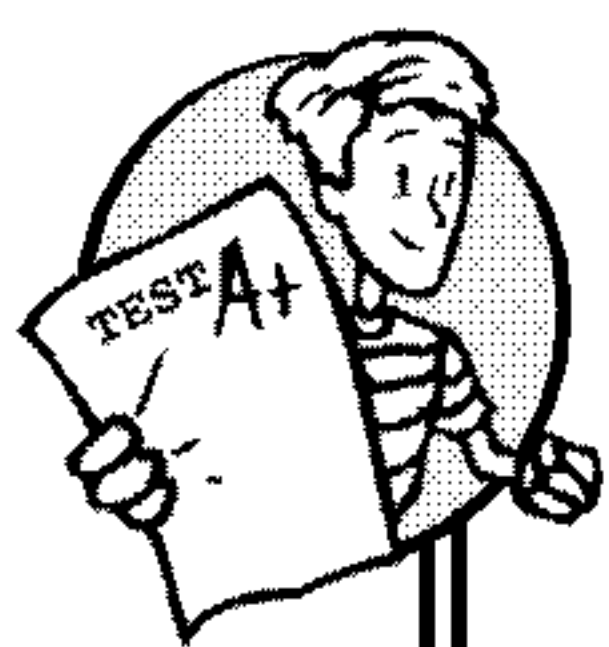
The Class Activity Worksheet on page 10 can be used in various ways. Below are some suggestions.

Knowledge

The following Class Activity Worksheet sheet is primarily a learning resource. It is designed to help candidates learn the musical devices and music technology procedures involved. Candidates learn the musical devices and music technology procedures by **doing** them, so that they can hear them played, see them played, and learn the technical terms for these devices and procedures.

Performing using music technology as exam option 1B

Candidates may choose to use a variety of instrumental combinations and effects for their performance. It is recommended that candidates use Cubase, Logic or Sibelius software to produce their performance. Candidates can use their coursework and record live sounds into Cubase or Logic via a mixing desk.

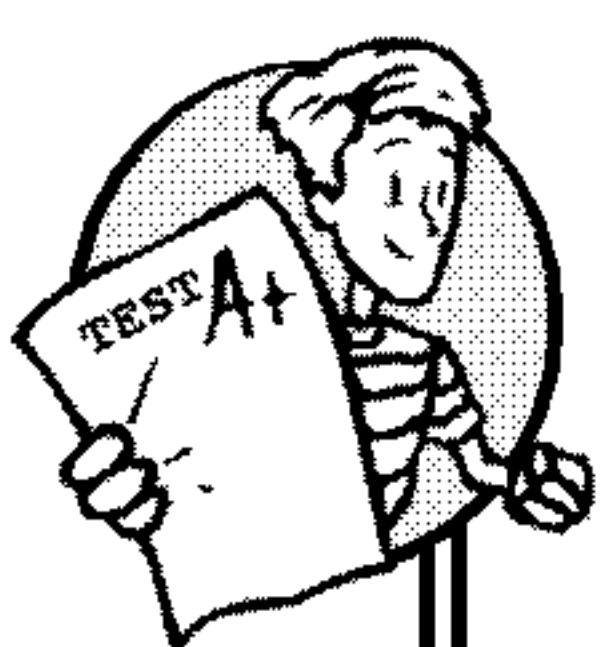


Going for an A

Candidates who are going for an A grade would need to replicate a composition using music technology. They would need to manipulate the attack and decay on each timbre to ensure they sound like a real musical instrument, including the different timbres of its different registers. They would need to write idiomatically for each instrument used in terms of pitch, rhythm, polyphonic capacity, phrasing and articulation. The interpretation of the chosen piece must be both expressive and sensitive to acquire an A*–A grade. They would need an effective use of sound effects (SFX), panning for a true to life stereo picture. They would need to place some instruments in the foreground and some in the background of the mix. They would need automation and final mix. Candidates need to be willing to be meticulous and ensure that the final product has excellent balance of parts at every stage. They would need to ensure that the sound is right together, and there are no gaps in the frequency range of the mix.

Composing using music technology

Candidates may also choose to use the device headings and structure as a template for their composition. They should use their own choice of timbres, SFX, mix, key, chords, and melody for their own composition.



Going for an A

Candidates going for an A*–A grade would need to write idiomatically for each instrument. They would need to be creating a midi version of each acoustic instrument. They would need to humanise with phrasing, dynamics and articulation. The different registers of each instrument would need to be edited via manipulation of the attack and decay to match the acoustic version of each instrument. They would need an effective use of timbres, EQ (equalisation), sound effects (SFX), panning, and volume (volume) on each track are paramount. This is in addition to an effective and interesting and imaginative use of tonality, harmony, melody, rhythm and dynamics. A candidate must accept that despite the fact that they have an online resource, they are in charge of the entire production, the final product must be appealing and achieve an A*–A grade.

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Suggested Pedagogical Approach to 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?'

This task is based on performing 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' The score is a performance of the song on real instruments along with the music.

Task

Students work in pairs and play the bass part and chords for the verse and chorus.

First let students listen to the song as they enter the room and go straight to their instruments. They then set up ready to play.

Students play along with the recording and add to their own learning. They then perform the piece through two parts.

More able students could add other instruments as part of a larger ensemble and create their own parts to the piece using available instruments such as guitar and countermelody parts on melodic instruments like wind or strings.

SEN students could be helped through the piece by a more able student in a peer learning role.

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'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad'

Listen to the introduction and then join in at the verse and play along with the music on the keyboard or the guitar. The melody can be sung or played on a wind or string instrument.

VERSE

<div>Am</div> <div>Why does my heart_____</div> <div>Am (A C E)</div>	<div>Am</div> <div>feel_ so bad?</div> <div>Am (A C E)</div>	<div>Em</div> <div>feel_ so bad?</div> <div>Em (E G B)</div>
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<div>G</div> <div>Why does my soul_</div> <div>G (GBD)</div>	<div>G</div> <div>feel_ so bad?</div> <div>G (GBD)</div>	<div>D</div> <div>feel_ so bad?</div> <div>D (D F# A)</div>
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Repeat above

CHORUS Idea 2a

<div>C</div> <div>These__ o-pen doors.</div> <div>C (C E G)</div>	<div>C</div> <div>These__ o-pen doors.</div> <div>C (C E G)</div>	<div>Am</div> <div>These__ o-pen doors.</div> <div>Am (A C E)</div>
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Repeat above

CHORUS Idea 2b

<div>F</div> <div>These__ o-pen doors, these__ o-pen doors,</div> <div>F (F A C)</div>	<div>F</div> <div>these__ o-pen doors,</div> <div>F (F A C)</div>	<div>C</div> <div>these__ o-pen doors,</div> <div>C (C E G)</div>
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Repeat above

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Unit 2: Composing Music

Use and Development of Ideas

There are only two main musical ideas. These are vocal sample 1, which is a sampled male voice, and vocal sample 2, which is a sampled female voice. These were taken from a 1953 gospel recording and presented in a complex binary form arrangement within the song structure. The first vocal sample is used in the first and second verses. In verse 1 it is repeated four times with changes to the accompaniment. When it re-occurs in verse 2, the first vocal sample re-uses some of the ideas from the first verse but uses different recording and mixing techniques and treats them like different instruments. The second vocal sample, idea 2, and this idea is developed by changing the backing chords that accompany it. The first vocal sample is used more frequently for 2b.

Exploitation of the Medium

The media exploited in 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' are the studio equipment techniques. They are used as though they were instruments and the different mixers like musical arrangement devices. Delay and reverb are used as the most common making the vocal samples sound as if they are in a spacious environment, to echo, and sound as if they are being sung in a great cave. Delay is used to make the samples synchronisation and late. Filters are used to cut out some frequencies, EQ (equalisation) and bass, and panning to pass sounds from right to left and vice versa in the stereo sources are taken from Cubase sequencing software, various synthesizers and samplers mixing desk for further manipulation and mixing before the track is copied to DAT. The full capacity of the studio equipment is not used but this doesn't matter to Moby as the of the song has been achieved.

Structure and Form

Each phrase is either eight bars long, as in the verse, or four bars repeated to make subsection as in the chorus.

Section	Details
Introduction	The chord pattern from idea 1
Verse 1	Idea 1 is the first vocal sample and it is presented four times (ideas texture for each presentation. The chords remain the same throughout
Chorus	Idea 2a is presented first. Idea 2b follows with a livelier backing rhythm the vocal sample.
Verse 2	Idea 1 is repeated in its fourth presentation version with some changes. The vocal sample is triggered more frequently as a call and response using different recording techniques to make it sound different.
Break	This is one bar of silence except for the dying reverbs and echoes of the
Chorus	Ideas are presented in the order: 2a but with a thinner and less upfront the vocals, then 2b and 2b again as before but with cleaner vocals.
Coda	Idea 1 is presented once with noticeable surface sounds on the vocal just a soft synth pad playing sustained chords.

Accompaniment

The accompaniment consists of:

- Piano parts – one is a chordal part and the other is a treble countermelody.
- String synthesizer parts – one is a high bass part, another a sustained chord part and a third a treble countermelody.
- The sub-bass – a part which doubles the high bass played by the string synthesizer.
- The drumming is produced by a drum machine in Cubase software and a sample of a drum kit.
- A soft synth pad is used to play sustained chords for the coda only.

Texture

The texture varies throughout the piece. However, the textural device used the mix begins quite thin with just piano chords. The vocal sample enters and then several continues to build by the end of verse 1. It remains thick for the chorus but thins out almost empty for the one bar called the break. The texture returns to moderately thick then becomes thick for 2b and its repeat. It ends with a thin texture, as the coda is sustained chords on a soft synth.

Tempo and Rhythms

The tempo is constant throughout and is moderate (98 crotchets per minute). The melody is in the melody and some of the chord parts but the bass and drum parts are fairly simple to be swung a bit for the first sample and the long note half way through the first sample is decorated.

Dynamic Contrast

Dynamic contrast is synonymous with the texture and the mix rather than parts playing.

Instrumentation and Technique

The instruments used are midi, sampled and synthesized sounds. Sound engineering is used to construct the song and keep it interesting.

Melodies and Tonality

The tonality is generally A minor. However, because the D major chord is used, the tonality is the Dorian mode transposed to A. The chorus is generally in C major. The nature of the melody is changed by the choice of chords used to accompany them. Sample 1 is harmonised in a major key. Countermelodies are used in the accompanying piano to add textural variety to the piece.

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Creating an Electronic Dance Music Inspired Music

View the http://moby.org/info/moby_on_remixing website for Moby's advice.

This is a music technology assignment. You will need to be using Cubase, Logic or similar. Due to the constant changes in the layout within music software programs, exact instructions have been avoided. Therefore, it is strongly recommended that a music technology present throughout this project to show you where to find features in the software.

- **Important:** Always use a midi click when inputting a part using a controller keyboard to avoid latency (delay between input and sound) before proceeding with this project. Otherwise, it will be a mess after putting in all the parts where none of the parts are in time with each other. It is difficult to correct and a quantising could cause you to end up with rhythms that are a multitude of new timing issues.

Write your musical arrangement by following the instructions from 1 to 6 below.

For the purposes of the Edexcel music arrangement A–C grade criteria, most of the material should be new material with the inclusion of some re-working of the original musical idea.*

(Use the appropriate guided hours to complete this task. It could take half a term to complete.)

1) Preparation

- Choose an original professional recording to be the stimulus for your music.
- Work out what key, time signature and tempo the original music uses and stick to these so that the original professional recording ideas can be used in your composition ideas with ease.
- Set up the structure of the song. There will be four bars of introduction in the software and will be eight bars long. The chorus will enter at bar 1. The subsequent structure will be verse and chorus followed by an outro of four bars.

2) Creating Ideas

- Create chord patterns similar to the ones used by the original verse, and use the controller keyboard.
- Next add the chord pattern for the chorus which ought to be quite different. (You could swap this process round and use the chords from the original for the verse instead.)
- Sample your original idea into your software. This is often done by importing the import option from the *file* tab's drop down menu.
- Using the slicing or cutting tool from your toolbar cut, copy and paste bits where you want it in your piece. Time stretch the samples to get them to the right length.
- Add drum kit parts, ensuring you use a different track for each part of the kit when developing your drum rhythms. Create a rhythm which is conducive to a dance music style.
- Add a bass part which helps to create a dance music style when played with the drums.
- Create new countermelodies.

3) Developing Ideas

- Listen to the overall effect of your composition.
- Two things you would need to pick up extra marks are to vary the texture and ensure the parts are in time and are balanced with no clashes/misjudgements with the bass.
- Each repeated section of verse or chorus should have changes to it to show development.
- Changes do not need to be radical but must be noticeable. They are often achieved by changing the same instruments or a change in drum rhythm. Keep the chords the same.

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4) Humanizing and Automation

- Most of your instrumental timbres would be midi sounds generated in your software. In order to make the instruments sound as though they are real instruments played in. In order to make the instruments sound as though they are real musicians, you will need to humanize each part.
- Examine each instrumental part one by one, and ensure that it plays an interesting part that is characteristic of that instrument and within the capacity of that instrument. Do not write chords for the trumpet or other monophonic instruments because they can only play a single note at a time. You shouldn't write notes that are out of the range of the instrument. You might need to make some adjustments.
- Add phrasing. To automate this, you would adjust the volume control for each part during the record mode.
- Increase or decrease attack on each instrument to mimic how notes are played on a stringed, bowed or hit.

5) The Final Mix – Panning, Eq and Sfx

- First build a stereo picture of where each instrument would be placed if played in an ensemble. Using the panning tool, move the drum kit to the centre, the piano to the left, the monophonic instruments to the right or wherever you wish to place your instruments in the stereo picture.
- Some instruments would be in the foreground as the melody and some in the background as accompaniment, so turn down the volume for instruments in an accompaniment role for lead parts to bring them to the front of the mix.
- Add EQ (equalization of treble and bass) for each instrument so that they all fit together as a whole. This part is down to personal preference and desired effect. Mix with fresh ears tomorrow and then judge and make any changes then.

6) Handing in your Coursework

- Export your piece as a wav file and burn it to CD.
- To create an appropriate score, go into the score options and check each instrument.
- Check that each bass instrument is using the bass clef rather than the treble clef and each treble instrument is using a treble clef rather than the bass clef. Change the clef to one which gets rid of more ledger lines above the stave. Change the clef to one which gets rid of more ledger lines below the stave. Change the clef to one which gets rid of more ledger lines above the stave. Change the clef to one which gets rid of more ledger lines below the stave.
- Add phrase marks, articulation and expression marks if your software allows. If these marks cannot be added in the software, add these to the hard copy of the score.
- Print off the full score and hand it in with the wav file on CD.

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Unit 3: Listening and Appraising

Musical Elements

- **Pitch** – The sampled vocal male voice is based on the low tenor or baritone vocal register. The female voice is based on the mezzo-soprano vocal register.
- **Duration** – The time signature is 4/4 time and syncopated rhythms are used throughout.
- **Dynamics** – The dynamics are mezzo forte throughout with no contrast except for the use of reverb and layering of the texture.
- **Tempo** – The speed is moderate throughout.
- **Timbre** – Timbre is changed on the virtual instruments via changes in the mix. Different recording techniques and EQ are used.
- **Texture** – The texture varies throughout the piece. However, the most used texture begins quite thin with just piano chords. The vocal sample enters, and the texture continues to build by the end of verse 1. It remains thick for the chorus and is almost empty for the one bar called the break. The texture returns for the second chorus and then becomes thick for 2b and its repeat. It ends with just vocal sample and sustained chords on a soft synth.
- **Structure** – The structure is strophic and binary in general.

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Introduction	The chord pattern from idea 1
Verse 1	Idea 1 is the first vocal sample and it is presented four times (ideas 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d) with a different texture for each presentation. The chords remain the same throughout.
Chorus	Idea 2a is presented first. Idea 2b follows with a livelier backing rhythm. The vocal sample is triggered.
Verse 2	Idea 1 is repeated in its fourth presentation version with some changes. The vocal sample is triggered more frequently as a call and response. Different recording techniques are used to make it sound different.
Break	This is one bar of silence except for the dying reverbs and echoes of the vocal sample.
Chorus	Ideas are presented in the order: 2a but with a thinner and less upfront texture, then 2b and 2b again as before but with cleaner vocals.
Coda	Idea 1 is presented once with noticeable surface sounds on the vocal sample. Just a soft synth pad playing sustained chords.

Instrumentation

- The instrumentation consists of virtual bass guitar, drum kit and two synthesizer sounds, piano sounds and the sampled vocals of a man and a woman. Due to the lack of a bass line, it is in effect an instrumental dance style piece.

Key Musical Features

- The key musical features are the male and female vocal samples and the chorus.

Musical and Melodic Devices

- The piece is based mainly on repetition of the vocal samples with textural variation created by the mixing techniques used. The melodic devices are the samples, countermelodies in the piano and synthesizers which answer the vocal samples.

Rhythmic Devices

- The piece is developed by the rhythmic variety used for the chords when they are played. The piano chords are quite syncopated. There is a drum kit part loop program and a sampled hip hop backbeat added over this and beatmatched.

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Tonality

- The tonality is generally A minor. However, because the D major chord is used in the Dorian mode transposed to A. The chorus is generally in C major.

Lyrics

Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?	
(INTRODUCTION)	
<p>VERSE 1</p> <p>Why does my heart feel so bad?</p> <p>Why does my soul feel so bad?</p> <p>Why does my heart feel so bad?</p> <p>Why does my soul feel so bad?</p>	<p>VERSE 2</p> <p>Why does my heart feel</p> <p>Why does my soul feel s</p> <p>Why does my heart feel</p> <p>Why does my soul feel s</p>
<p>Why does my heart feel so bad?</p> <p>Why does my soul feel so bad?</p> <p>Why does my heart feel so bad?</p> <p>Why does my soul feel so bad?</p>	<p>(BREAK)</p>
<p>CHORUS</p> <p>These open doors, these open doors</p> <p>These open doors, these open doors</p>	<p>CHORUS</p> <p>These open doors, these</p> <p>These open doors, these</p>
<p>These open doors, these open doors</p> <p>These open doors. Oh!</p> <p>These open doors, these open doors,</p> <p>These open doors. Oh!</p>	<p>These open doors, these</p> <p>These open doors. Oh!</p> <p>These open doors, these</p> <p>These open doors. Oh!</p>
	<p>CODA</p> <p>Why does my heart feel</p> <p>Why does my soul feel s</p>

Use of Technology

- Moby actually prepared the entire piece alone in his home studio using virtual synthesized strings, piano, drum kit, bass and vocal samples which he ran thro recorded. A live performance with real instruments is possible and has often b <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iA8Pc6haOBs>. It is evident from this not live singers.

Context of the Music

- ‘Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?’ is a dance track created by a DJ/songwriter dance music market.

Conventions of DJ Music

- DJs who are also songwriters, producers and performers can write, arrange an compositions and sell successful hits. They can make cheaper productions bec about studio time or collaborating with other musicians until a live performan

Sharing Opinions – Cross-Curricular Links with Design Technology

Moby is a vegan because he feels that it is selfish for human beings to put their own suffering of animals. Vegans do not eat any animal products and therefore do not eat anything in any way, shape or form. This is more extreme than vegetarianism which does not eat meat but will allow the eating of eggs and animal milk. Some vegetarians also eat fish so are pescatarians. Some animal rights views also prohibit the use of any cosmetics which have been tested on animals.

Animal food products are the major source for some of the human body's essential nutrients, proteins, vitamins and minerals. To eliminate these or persistently deprive the body of them would eventually lead to very poor health. This is why vegans have to be very vigilant and ensure that all food intake sufficiently provides these things. Pulses, fruit, vegetables and grains provide the body with most things required. However, many vegans need to use vitamin supplements to make up for what it needs.

As well as giving the body the correct balance of proteins, fats, vitamins, minerals and carbohydrates, it is also important that the correct calorie intake is achieved to avoid obesity or underweight conditions. This is achieved with regular exercise. Regular meals of appropriate portion sizes need to be eaten. If you are wishing to maintain a healthy body weight needs to develop this paragraph as a life-long habit. It may take some gradual changes but the final product will be a healthy body weight and a balanced diet.

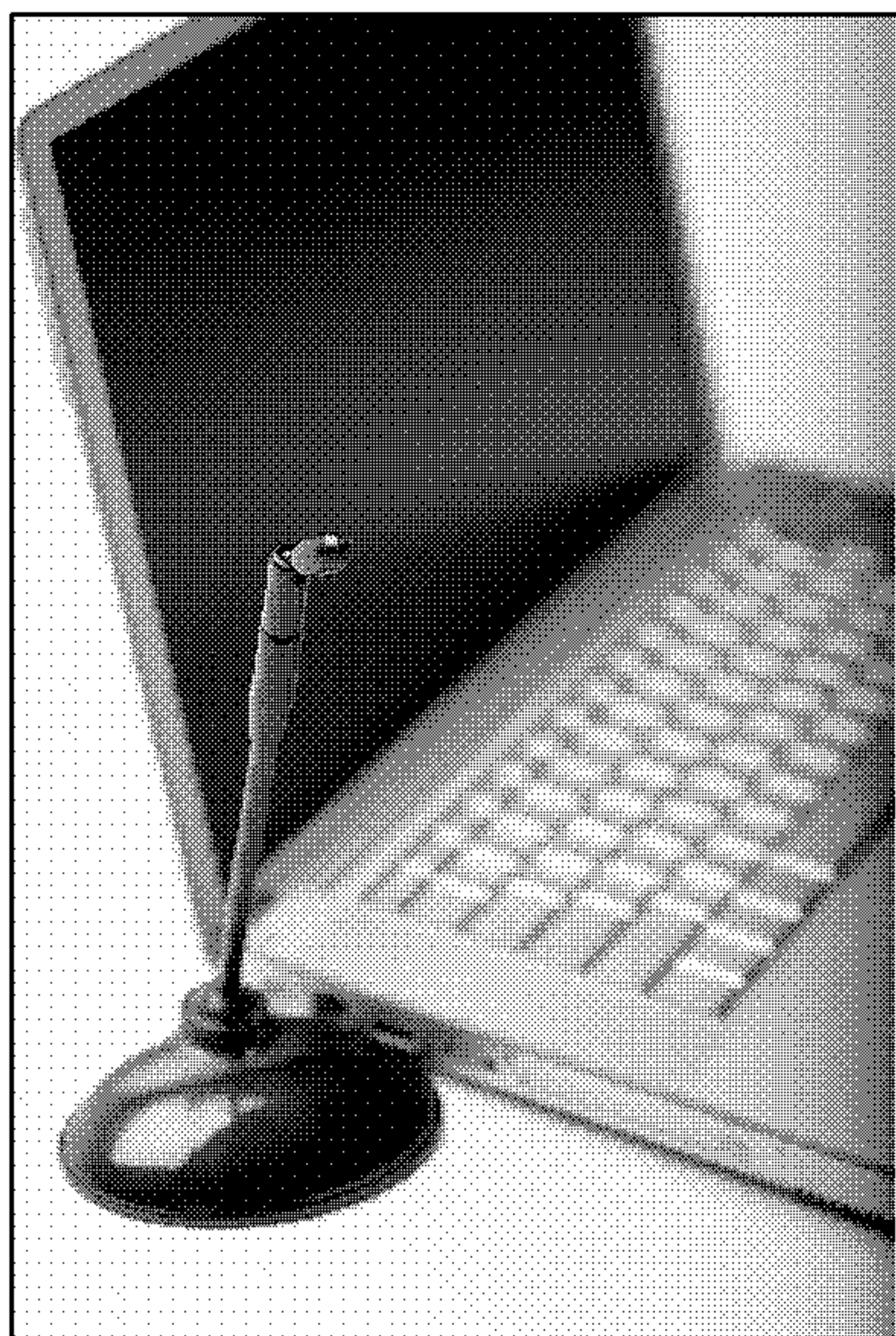


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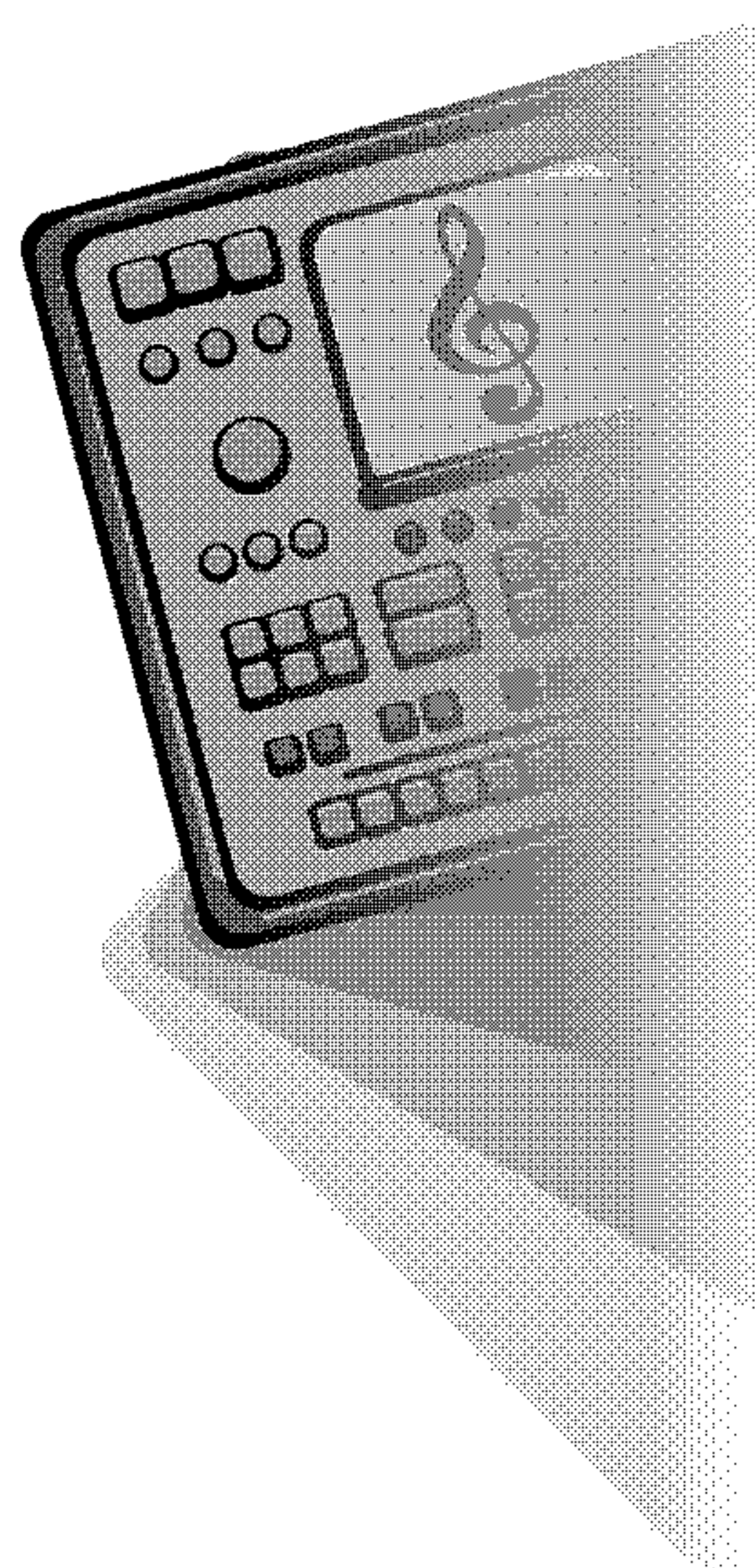
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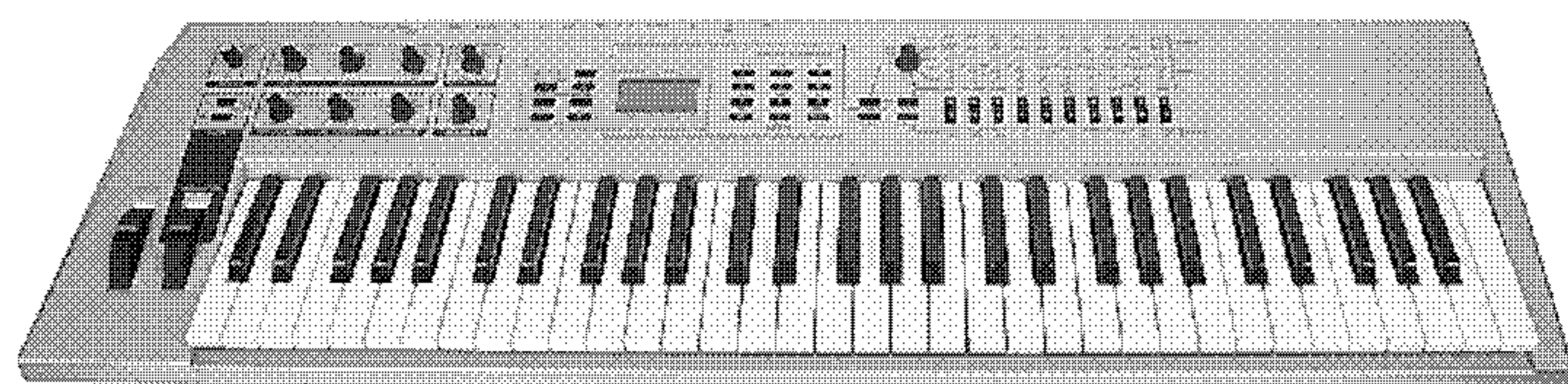
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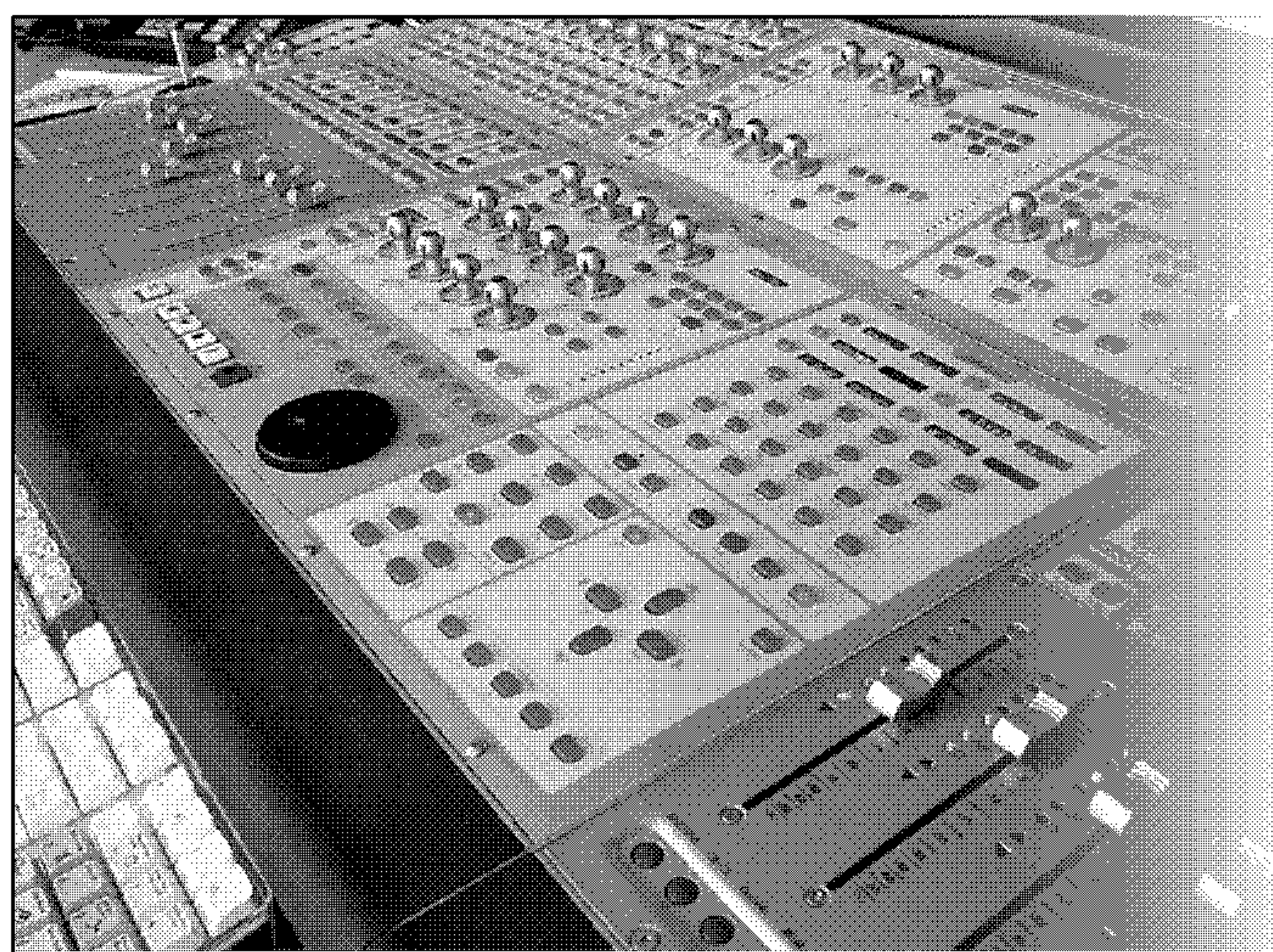
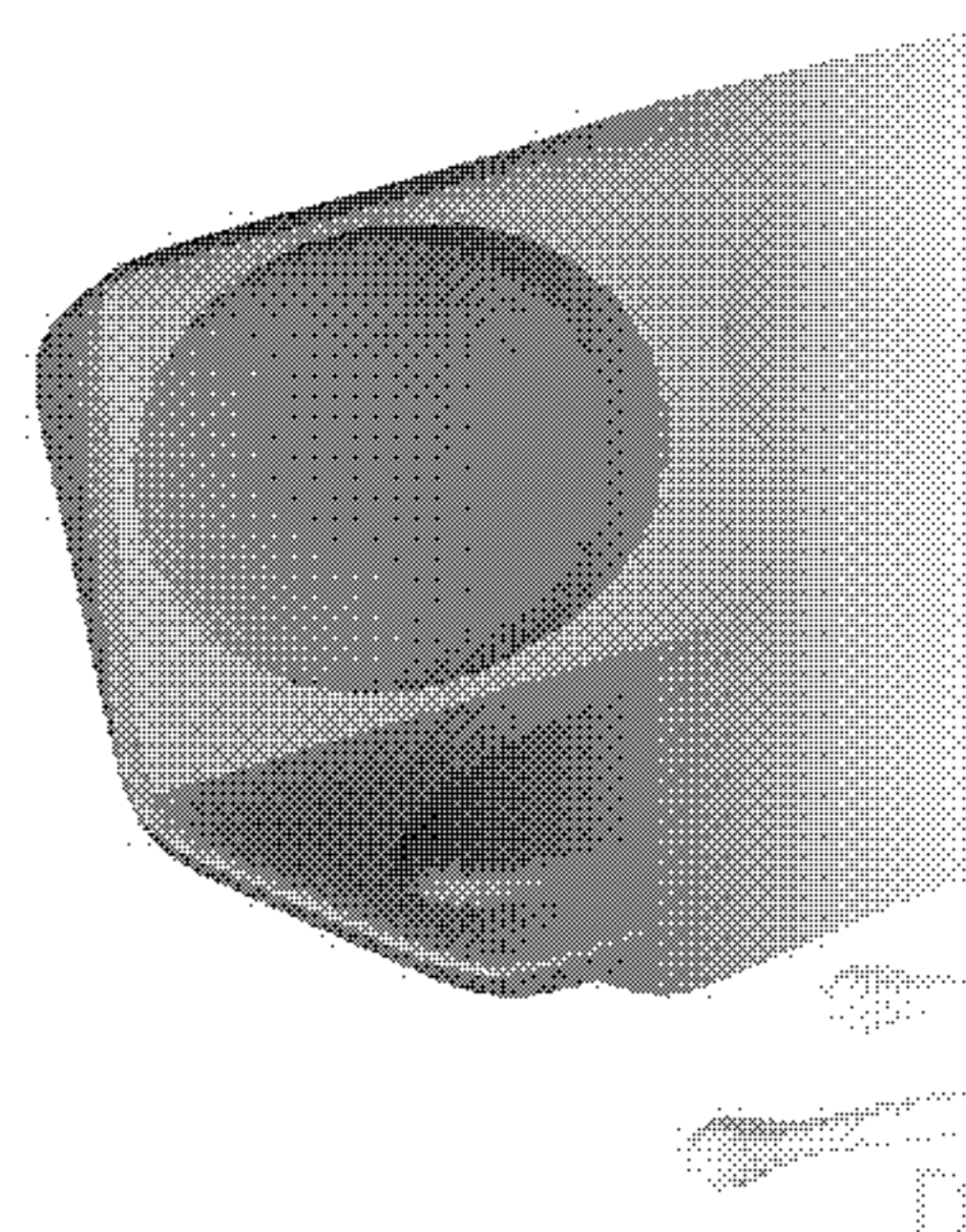
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sampling and recording



Sequen



Synthesizer



Mixing Desk

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Practice Questions: Area of Study

Section A

1) Listen to verse 1 from 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' (0m00s – 1m24s) **four** times.

a) What virtual instrumental/vocal parts are added in the four subsequent eight-bar piano chord pattern?

i) Give one added instrument/ vocal part in the first repeat _____

ii) Give two virtual instruments in the second repeat _____

iii) State the new lower part added in the third repeat _____

iv) What has changed in the piano chords in the fourth repeat? _____

b) Listen to the chorus (1m38s – 2m17s) which will be played **three** times. Analyse the tonality of the chorus, the length of the phrases and the basic structure.

c) What are the words for the two vocal samples?

(i) _____

(ii) _____

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Section A

2) Listen to the extract from 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' (2m17s – 2m31s) **four** times.

a) Name the country that this piece is from. _____

b) State the two main processes used to create the telephone voice effect in the vocal sample.

(i) _____

(ii) _____

c) Complete the chord pattern used:

Am		Em			
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d) Briefly describe the meaning of the following music vocabulary:

- Sequencer
- MIDI

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Section B

Answer either Question 3 or Question 4

3) The following questions are about 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' by

a) The songs from *Play* made money from record sales and films. *Star* album made money for Moby.

b) List five items of music technology often used to create 1990s electronic music and explain how they are used. Use correct musical vocabulary throughout your answers.

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4) The following questions are about 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' by

a) What is electronic dance music?

b) What is time signature of this piece?

c) Give meanings or explanations for the following musical points in 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?' by Moby:

- Syncopation – give the meaning (1 mark)
- Sus2 and Sus4 chords – give the meanings (2 marks)
- The Dorian mode on A and the natural A minor scale – explain
- List three samples and two effects used in 'Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad?'

Use correct musical vocabulary throughout your answers.

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Mark Scheme for Practice Questions

Question		Answer					
1	a	(i) A (male) vocal sample was added. (1 mark) (ii) Any two of: string synthesizer, drum machine/kit part, added piano chords (2 marks) (iii) The sub-bass part was added. (1 mark) (iv) The piano chords rhythm has changed. (1 mark)					
	b	The tonality is C major. 4 bar phrases are used. The structure is 16 bars.					
	c	The lyrics are: First sample: Why does my heart feel so bad? Why does my soul Second sample: These open doors.					
2	a	United States					
	b	The sample was re-recorded at a lower bandwidth and then put through a low pass filter.					
	c	Am	Am	Em	Em	G	G
	d	Sequencer: Equipment which allows the recording of different instruments at different stages and then enables them to be played back together. MIDI: Musical instrument digital interface					
3	a	TV shows and commercials					
	b	Any five of the following: Sampler to grab sounds from live or recorded sources Synthesizer/ sound module to get sounds from Sequencer/ sequencing software to arrange the parts in Mixer to mix all the parts down together Drum machine to programme drum rhythms Computerized sequencing software such as Cubase to put ideas together					
4	a	This is music for use in clubs or for dancing which was constructed using only virtual studio instruments instead of actual musicians.					
	b	4/4 or common time					
	c	Syncopation: Rhythms' notes are held across the weak/off beat. (1 mark) Sus2 and sus4 chords: The note a tone higher than the root of the chord is added/sus2 chord. The note a fourth higher than the root of the chord is added/sus4 chord. (2 marks) Dorian on A and A minor scale differences: The Dorian on A scale/mode has an added F# (raised sixth). The A minor scale has no sharps or flats. Permit any other qualifying answers. Samples and effects used: Male voice vocal part and female voice part from a gospel choir, a breakbeat from a hip hop piece are the three samples used. The reverb and delay are the two effects used. (5 marks)					

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🎵 Keywords 🎵

Keyword	Definition
Acid house	A style of dance music in 4/4 time with a very fast tempo, virtual effects
Acoustic instrument	An instrument which produces notes by natural means with no electronic effects
Animation	Moving drawn pictures. Modern animations use computerized animation
Antiphony	A musical idea is stated and then answered by another part in a question and response.)
Arrangement (composition)	The re-working of a known musical piece to produce a different version. Versions similar to the original are called cover versions. Versions which include new parts are called arrangements.
Articulation	Playing technique instructions given in the music such as arco, pizzicato, staccato
Attack	How suddenly a sound begins
Automation	Recording live changes to the computerized playback of the music during subsequent playbacks
Bandwidth	The amount of data transferred per second
Baritone	A medium low-pitched male voice.
Bass voice	A low-pitched male voice.
Beat match	Matching the tempo of one recording with another recording so they sound like one piece. This is a DJ technique where two vinyl records are played simultaneously on two turntables and beatmatched so that they sound like one. This is done by slowing down of one record by hand as a form of live editing to make the two records sound like one.
Break	The music stops for at least a bar for effect.
Breakbeat	A style of electronic club dance music in 4/4 where the beats are not strictly on the 4/4 grid
Call and response	A musical idea is stated and answered by another part (antiphony)
Chicago house	A fast tempo electronic dance music style in 4/4 time
Chords	Three or more notes played together
Chorus	The section of the song which repeats alternately with the other sections to as the refrain.
Chorus effect	A special effect which makes individual instruments sound fuller as if they were the same instrument playing the same part
Clean	When an instrument has absolutely no special effects on it
Club dance music	Any style of music created for dancing in a night club
Coda	The ending section of a song
Contralto	A low-pitched female voice
Countermelody	An additional melody to the main tune
DAT	Digital to analogue tape. This is now an anachronism as tapes are rarely used anymore.

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Keyword		
Decay	How long a note takes to fade out	
Delay	How long a note is held	
DJ	Disk jockey – DJ is a person who plays music on a turntable, or a TV music channel	ic in a night club, on a radio channel, on
Dorian	A mode using the notes of a major scale but with a flat on the 2nd degree	ansposed.
Dubbing	Adding a voice to a pre-recorded track	
Dub reggae	A style of reggae music	the chords
Echo	A studio special effect that repeats a sound	of reverberation (reverb)
Editing	Cut, copy and paste	ssing application
Electronic dance music	Dance music with electronic instruments	an actual instruments
EQ (equalization)	The balancing of frequencies	ss settings
Expression marks	Dynamics and phrasing	
Filtering	Removing desired frequencies from a sound, e.g. bass instruments or high frequencies from instruments	iple, a high bypass filter removes the low frequencies, a low pass filter removes all the high frequencies
Four to the floor	4/4 time	
Frequency	The number of vibrations per second	e the sound
Garage	A club dance music	ic instruments
Harmony	When instruments play different notes at the same time	chords
Hit song	A song which has been successful	he music charts
Hip hop	A lively style of music	
Humanization	Adding effects to a sound to make it sound like they were played by a human	effects to enable virtual instruments to
Genre	A category of music	
Introduction (intro)	The opening section of a piece	
Layering	The gradual thickness of a sound	ental or vocal parts one by one
Live performance	A performance of music	
Loop	The use of electronic music	ntinually
Lyrics	The words of a song	
Major	The several traditional scales	F G A B C

Keyword		
Manipulation	Changing the c	g the shape of the sound wave
Melody	The tune	
Mezzo soprano	A medium high	
Minor	The transposed	
Midi	An acronym fo	
Midi click	A clicking sound	o keep performers in time
Mixing	Balancing all th	ey blend and sound well together
Multi-track	Recording sever	back together
Music charts	The publicised	se or downloading
Original recording	The profession	nt version of it
Outro	The ending sec	
Patch	A bank of sour	
Plug-in	A software whi	
Producer	The person in c	e composition to the final output of the
Rave	A lively electro	
Recording studio	A venue which	
Register	The different p	ument
Reverberation (reverb)	A sound effect	d in a large environment
Sample	A small piece c	il recording
Sampler	An appliance y	
Scratching	Moving a vinyl	e while it is playing to make a sound
Sequencing	Inputting indiv	then playing them back together
SFX (sound effects)	Any setting use	of any sound in the recording to
Soprano	A high-pitched	verb, chorus, flange, filter, EQ, etc.
Sound engineer	The studio tech	t throughout the recording process and

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Keyword		
Sound module	A hardware ap	
Sub-bass	A very low-pitch felt. It is used	ig range of the human ear but can be ier bass part which it doubles.
Surface sound	This is addition hissing or crackl	sic is sampled. It is often white noise,
Sus2 & sus4 chords	Sus2 is when the the interval of	is added to the chord and sus4 is when ie chord.
Sustained	When a note c	
Syncopation	When notes ar	
Tenor	A high-pitched	
Tessitura	The register th	
Timbre (in music software)	The different in	programs
Time stretch	Changing the t to	the tempo of the music it is being added
Track (album track)	A musical piece	
Track (software or recording equipment)	An individual p	
Tonality	The scale or m	
Verse	A section in a s	rnates with the chorus.
Virtual instruments	Online softwar	
Wav file	An audio sound	

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🎵 Match-Up Exercise 🎵

Match up the key words with the correct definitions:

Keyword	Definition
Coda	The register that a section of music is based on
Four to the floor	The studio technician who controls the recording process and applies the post production to the recording.
Echo	The different pitch range categories and quality of a sound
Tessitura	A sound effect which makes music sound like it is in a particular environment
Producer	The person in charge of the entire recording process from the start to the final output of the recording.
Reverberation (reverb)	The ending section of a piece of music
Outro	When instrumental parts combine notes to create a new melody
Register	4/4 time
Sound engineer	A studio special effect which makes sound repeat and mix with reverberation (reverb).
Harmony	The ending section of a song.

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🎵 Fill In the Definitions 🎵

Read the key word and write its definition in the box to its right.

Keyword	Definition
Wav file	
Tonality	
Time stretch	
Track (album track)	
Sustained	
Syncopation	
Sus2 & sus4 chords	
Sound module	
Sub-bass	
Sequencing	
SFX (sound effects)	
Sample	
Rave	
Patch	
Plug-in	
Original recording	
Midi	
Midi click	

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Keyword	
Beat match	
Attack	
Automation	
Animation	
Acid house	

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🎵 Fill In the Key Words 🎵

Read the definition and write the key word that it defines in the

Keyword	Definition
	An instrument which produces notes by natural means with no elec
	An individual part in a music software program
	This is additional unwanted noise that is captured when music is sa noise, hissing or crackling.
	Moving a vinyl record backwards and forward on a turntable while similar to a scratched vinyl record.
	An appliance which samples music
	The publicised ranking of music according to popular purchase or c
	A venue which is set up for recording music
	The several transposed versions of the iolian Ionian mode – C D E F
	The transposed aolian Aeolian mode – A B C D E F G A
	A performance in real time by real human beings
	Adding effects such as automation, attack and other special effects sound like they are being performed by a human being
	Removing designated frequencies from the music. E.g.For example the low bass instruments and sounds from the music and a low byp instruments and sounds from the mix.
	Dynamics and mood instructions in the music
	The balancing and blending of the music using treble and bass setti
	Adding a voice part over pre-recorded music
	Digital to analogue tape. This is now an nomenclature anachronism the term has stuck.
	Disk jockey – the person who is in charge of playing the music in a a TV music channel or at a party

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Keyword	Definition
	An additional melody to the main tune
	The amount of data transferred per second
	When an instrument has absolutely no special effects on it
	Playing technique instructions given in the music such as arco, pizz
	The re-working of a known musical piece to produce a different version. Versions similar to the original are called cover versions. Versions which include arrangements.

🎵 **Dominoes Exercise**

Cut out the dominoes and match up the key words to the definitions.

Bass voice	Baritone	Break	Chorus
A medium low low-pitched male voice.	The music stops for at least a bar for effect.	The section of the song which repeats alternatively with the other sections. It is sometimes referred to as the refrain.	A low low-pitched female voice.
Lyrics	Mezzo soprano	Melody	Soprano
A medium high high-pitched female voice.	The tune.	A high high-pitched female voice	A high high-pitched male voice.
Virtual instruments	Verse		
A section in a song which moves the story on. It usually alternates with the chorus.	A low low-pitched male voice.		

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