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| TOPIC: African Drumming |

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| Theme: To understand African Drumming techniques and perform African Rhythms as part of an ensemble | Level: Year 8 |
| Objectives: I can…   * Play bass and natural tones on an African drum * Perform syncopated rhythms with accuracy * Follow a cue * Perform African Rhythms in an ensemble | |

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| Focussing Questions | Key Words | |
| 1. **Performing bass and natural tone accurately on the drums:**  * How do you hold the drum? Why? * How do you create different tones on the drum? * Can you copy these rhythms using the correct tones? * Can you create your own rhythms?  1. **African rhythms:**  * Can you perform these rhythms using the correct tone? * What is syncopation? * Can you perform your rhythm in time with the other rhythms? * Can we structure the performance?  1. **Following a cue and improvising rhythms:**  * Can you hear the cue in the recording? What does it change? * Can you play this cue? * Can we create a structure for the performance using the cue? * What is improvisation? * Can you improvise rhythms?  1. **Refine and final performance (assessment) and Appraisal:**  * Can you play your rhythm accurately using the correct tones? * Do you know the structure/cue? * How did you perform against the assessment criteria? * What did others do well? What could they do to improve? * What could you do to improve?   **Assessment**   * Assess the final performance – Can they play the rhythms in time and accurately using the correct playing technique * Assess the understanding of notation through worksheet activities * Assess the written appraisal for use of key words and understanding | * African Drumming * Rhythm * Polyrhythm * Syncopation * Beat * Crotchet * Quaver * Semiquaver * Dotted rhythms * Rests * Bars * Count * Tone * Bass tone * Natural tone * Structure * Texture * Cue * Leader * Improvisation | Explaining words (for feedback)  ...so...  ..because...  Therefore...  As a result...  This means that...  This creates...  ...Due to the fact...  ...caused... |

**Practical and worksheet activities**