



All the learning in this Pop/ Neo Soul unit is focused around one song: *Happy* by Pharell Williams. We will also listen to other songs that are linked to the theme: 'Be Happy'.

### In this unit we will:

#### 1 – Listen & Appraise: Happy (Pop/Neo Soul)

- Identify style indicators
- Describe the structure
- Identify instruments
- Describe the musical dimensions

#### 2 – Musical Activities using glocks and/or recorders

- Warm-up Games play and copy back using up to 3 notes – A, G + B.
- Warm up challenges  
Bronze: A | Silver: A + G | Gold: A, G + B
- Sing in 2 parts.
- Play instrumental parts with the song by ear and/or from notation using the easy or medium part using up to 3 notes – A, G + B.
- Improvise using up to 3 notes – A, G + B.
- Improvisation challenges  
Bronze: A | Silver: A + G | Gold: A, G + B
- Compose a simple melody using simple rhythms choosing from the notes A, G + B or C, E, G, A + B.

#### 3 – Perform & Share

- Decide how we will introduce the performance.
- Consider adding choreography
- Explain how we learnt this song and why.
- Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

The performance will include one or more of the following:

- Improvisations
- Instrumental performances
- Compositions

### In this unit we will listen to 5 other songs:

*Top Of The World* sung by The Carpenters  
*Don't Worry, Be Happy* sung by Bobby McFerrin  
*Walking On Sunshine* sung by Katrina And The Waves  
*When You're Smiling* sung by Frank Sinatra  
*Love Will Save The Day* sung by Brendan Reilly

### Inspiring Individuals



Pharell Williams



The Carpenters



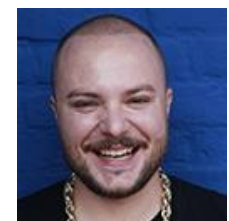
Bobby McFerrin



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### Vocabulary

style indicators, melody, compose, improvise, cover, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, timbre, texture, structure, dimensions of music, Neo Soul, producer, groove, Motown, hook, riff, solo.

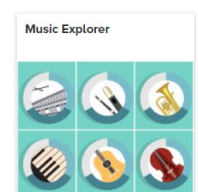
### Possible Instruments



Recorder



Glockenspiel



Creative Apps