



PRE-A LEVEL MUSIC TASK 2: Performing

You are to prepare a short performance piece on your solo instrument or voice to share with the rest of the group. It doesn't have to be anything really difficult and should ideally be something that you have performed before – maybe for a grade exam or GCSE music.

During the first week of the course, you will all share your performances with each other within a very relaxed, supportive environment.

PRE-A LEVEL MUSIC TASK 3: Composing

Understanding musical harmony (i.e. being able to accompany a melody with chords) forms an important part of the A Level composition unit. See if you can add chords to the following 4 bar melody. You can write out the chords in full notation in BASS or TREBLE CLEF, use SATB format or just use chord symbols. If you are feeling more confident you could even try some chord inversions or use different chord patterns such as broken chords. A chord bank of C Major is provided:

CHORD BANK OF C MAJOR

I
II
III
IV
V
VI
VII

Maj
min
min
Maj
Maj
min
dim

Chords in Treble Clef

Chords in Bass Clef

EXTENSION TASK: See if you can add an extra 4 bars of melody and harmonise accordingly.

