

## Year 2: Dynamics, timbre and tempo

### Musical style: Orchestral

Orchestral music is music that is played by an orchestra. It is usually classical or film music, but orchestras lay other types of music too.



### Vocabulary

**Compose** To create or write an original (new) piece of music.



**Composer** A person who creates and writes an original piece of music.

**Composition** The original piece of music that has been created.

**Dynamics** The volume of the music (loud or quiet).

**Motif** A short melody that is repeated over and over again.

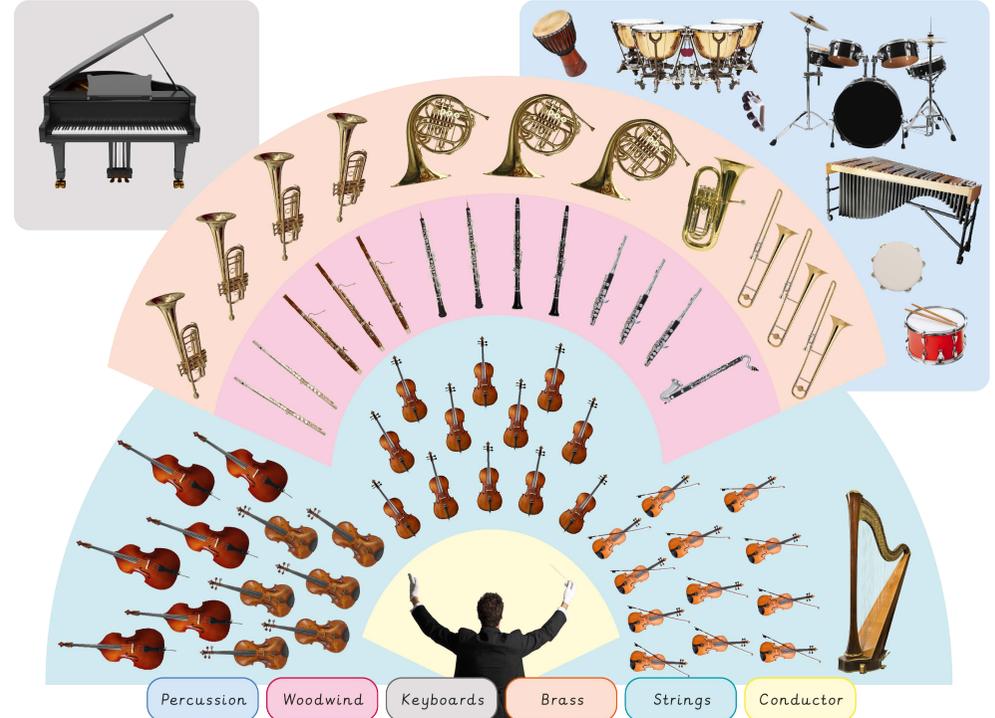
**Soundscape** A piece of music that describes a landscape.

**Timbre** The quality of sound e.g. smooth, scratchy, twinkly.

**Tempo** The speed of the music (fast or slow).

### Instruments

**Orchestra** A group of instruments that play together.



**Strings** Instruments that are played by plucking or bowing strings.

**Woodwind** Instruments that make sound by blowing air through a reed or small mouthpiece.

**Brass** Instruments that are made of metal and the sound is made by blowing air through a cup-shaped mouthpiece.

**Percussion** Instruments that are played by striking, beating or shaking the instrument.