



Music Virtual Learning

Middle School Music Appreciation and 6th Grade Choir

May 6, 2020



Lesson: [May 6, 2020]

**Objective/Learning Target:
Connect and Respond**

Last week we looked at Broadway musicals and some of their unique characteristics.

This week we are are looking at movie music.

You've already explored some rhythms and performed some play alongs earlier this week to some famous movie tunes and now we're going to explore what role music has in creating an impact or the emotion for a scene.

Music for Film



The music in a film is known as the film score. Each piece of music within the score is known as a cue.

Film music

Film music can be divided into two categories :

1. music contained within the action, and
2. background music.

Background music is often referred to as **underscoring**. It adds to the **mood** of the scene, reinforcing dramatic developments and aspects of character.

Music for Film



- Think of your favourite movies and the use of music within those movies.
- Think of a particular scene.
- What is the purpose of the music in that scene. How does it add to the scene
- So, why is music used in film? Make a list:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____



Music for Film



The FOUR main functions of music in film is to:

1. Create a sense of time and place
 2. Convey/describe character and ideas
 3. Creating a mood or atmosphere
 4. Express emotions
- Can you think of an example for each of these functions?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

1. Create a sense of time and place
(is it in the past, present, future)
2. Convey/describe character and ideas
(is it the hero, villain, lovers, enemies)
3. Creating a mood or atmosphere
(is it peaceful, tense, war)
4. Express emotions
(joy, love, anger, resentful)

Music
for
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JAWS

The Importance of John Williams

**Here is a scene from Jaws, first
without music, and then with the
music that John Williams
composed for the scene!**

<https://youtu.be/APsuJ7QyOAM>



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JAWS

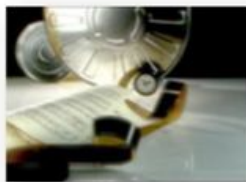
The Importance of John Williams

Describe how the music added to the scene.

Describe the elements of music used by Williams to achieve this.



Music for Film



Study the image below. If this was a scene from a movie for which you were writing the film score, what elements of music would you use for the scene?

Write your idea on the next page.



Music for Film



Instrumentation:

Texture:

Rhythm:

Melody:

Timbre:

Tonality:

Dynamics and Tempo:



Additional Practice

Examine these clips with and without music and continue thinking of the role music has in the movie industry!

<https://youtu.be/4VuAMFJeeJQ>

Without music



<https://youtu.be/adzYW5DZoWs>

With Music

