



Music Virtual Learning

8th Grade Choir

April 16, 2020



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Objective/Learning Target:
Students will be able to create a soundtrack for a movie scene that matches the scenes theme and mood.

Introduction Music in Movies

Think about the movies and TV shows you enjoy. Have you ever thought about how the music affects what you understand about the characters and situation?

Since we were able to create moving pictures people have been adding music to those to help convey certain emotions and moods through music.

Today you'll look at some examples of how music can affect a scene and then tomorrow you will try to create music for a scene.



Early Film Music

When the first “silent” movies were made the technology had not yet been developed to add sound to film. In order to have music in their films, they would send sheet music to theaters who would hire local pianists to play the given music during the film.

Here is an example: [Silent Movie Example with Piano](#)



Film Music Continued

Once technology was developed to add sound to video, film music exploded and became some of the most popular music.

Today, we can hear music from certain films and know immediately where it's from. It can also tell us exactly what the filmmaker wants us to feel. If the filmmaker wants us to be happy or lighthearted the music can do that. If the filmmaker wants us to feel worried or frightened the music can do that. You can have the same piece of film but change the music and it completely changes how you perceive that scene.

For examples, watch this video: [The Power of Music In Film](#)

Reflection:

What movie has your favorite music?

How does the music in that movie enhance your enjoyment?

Are there any movies where you felt the music did not enhance your enjoyment?

Why was that?

Watch this clip: [ET Bike Scene \(No Music\)](#)

What did you feel watching this? Without music what might you say is happening?