

Whole class instrument learning - clarinet

Key composer, genre and instruments

**ABBA** ABBA are a Swedish pop group formed in Stockholm in 1972 by Agnetha Fältskog, Björn Ulvaeus, Benny Andersson, and Anni-Frid Lyngstad. The group's name is an acronym of the first letters of their first names, A-B-B-A arranged as a palindrome (a word which reads the same forwards as backwards)

**Success** One of the most popular and successful musical groups of all time, they became one of the best-selling music acts in the history of popular music, topping the charts worldwide from 1974 to 1983, and again in 2021. ABBA have achieved 48 hit singles.




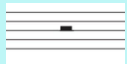

**Instruments** Benny plays the keyboard and Bjorn plays the electric guitar. Anna and Agneta are the lead singers but Benny and Bjorn also sing on many of their songs.













Key Skills

- Play notes with more clarity.
- Play pieces with 3-5 notes.
- Begin to articulate and control dynamics.
- Develop self appraisal skills.
- Develop breathing skills linked to playing.
- Develop performance skills - silence before and after playing.
- Respond to written notation - recognise notes, notes lengths and rests.

Key Vocabulary

<b>semibreve</b>	A four beat note.
<b>quaver</b>	Half a beat - quavers can join together and are played quickly.
<b>treble clef</b>	Music mainly for notes above middle C.
<b>crotchet rest</b>	A rest in the music for one beat 
<b>minim rest</b>	A rest in the music for 2 beats. 
<b>semibreve rest</b>	A rest in the music for 4 beats. 
<b>dynamics</b>	The volume of the music.

BEGINNING CLARINET FINGERING CHART

What It's Called	<b>G</b> (high)	<b>F</b> (high)	<b>E</b> (high)	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b> (low)
How It Looks					
Fingering					



Relevant songs

- Mamma mia - ABBA
- Songs provided by the EMS tutor Elliot Thomas for sax and clarinet:
- ABBA (song using A and B)
- Diving to 5
- Rattling the 5
- As I was going to St Ives
- Bella Ciao
- Five a day

