

Grange Park Primary School Year 3 Summer 2 Music

Develop understanding of dynamics and texture through songs about Ancient Egypt

Key composer, genre and instruments

The Bangles	The Bangles is an American pop rock band formed in Los Angeles, California in 1981. There are four members of the band: Susanna Hoffs (lead singer), Michael (Micki) Stelle, Vicki Peterson and her sister Debbi Peterson. 
Genre and instruments	The Bangles played pop rock music. They did not write their biggest hits themselves but did write some of their own songs. Michael and Vicki played guitars and Debbi played the drums.
The Bangles today	The Bangles are one of the most iconic girl bands of all time. They had several huge hits in the 1980s and, although they broke up in 1989, they still occasionally perform to huge crowds to this day.
Biggest hits	Manic Monday, Walk like an Egyptian, Eternal Flame, Hazy Shade of Winter.

Key Skills

Sing with awareness of pulse and control of rhythm.
Sing expressively with awareness and control of the expressive elements e.g. dynamics.
Begin to play instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.
Use ostinatos as accompaniments.
Listen to multi-layered music and identify the layers of sound (texture).
Develop understanding of the history of the music (Egyptian instruments and 1980s rock).

Key Vocabulary

pop	Popular music.
rock	A style (genre) of music with a heavy drum beat and electric and bass guitars.
dynamics	A musical word to describe how loud or quiet music is played. Each volume of music uses Italian words and short abbreviations: f = forte = loud.
electric guitar	A rock guitar which uses an amplifier to make its sound and needs to be plugged in.
bass guitar	A guitar with four strings which plays low (bass) notes.
texture	Layers of sound in a song.
ostinato	A repeated pattern sung or played in a song.
structure	The way the music is put together.
graphic score	A picture of music rather than real notes.

LETTER(S)	WORD	MEANING
pp	pianissimo	Very Quiet
p	piano	Quiet
mp	mezzopiano	Quite Quiet
mf	mezzoforte	Quite Loud
f	forte	Loud
ff	fortissimo	Very Loud

Relevant songs

Walk like an Egyptian
 Amazing Egyptians
 Tutankhamun (the nine year old king)
 The Funeral of Amenhotep III by Philip Glass



The funeral of Amenhotep III

Brass
play long low notes

More instruments
join in playing short alternating phrases

Voices sing:
 Ankh ankh, an mitak
 Ankh ankh, an mitak
 Yawk er heh an heh
 Yawk er heh an heh

Yawk er heh an heh
 Aha an heh
 Yawk er heh an heh
 Aha an heh

Ankh ankh, an mitak
 Yawk er heh an heh
 Ankh ankh, an mitak
 Aha an heh

Instruments
play short alternating phrases:
 FGFGFGFG
 EGEGEGE

Drums

An example of a graphic score