

# MUSIC MADE SIMPLE

YEAR 5 IPC UNIT TITLE: **WEATHER AND CLIMATE** SUMMER TERM (1) LESSON 1 23

CONTENT	TEACHING AND LEARNING
<b>Musical learning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• play a range of percussion instruments with increasing confidence and ability</li> <li>• perform a song showing an awareness of phrasing and the shape of the melody</li> </ul>
<b>Resources</b>	<p>(a) PowerPoint slides: <b>POLAR REGIONS +DESCANT; ARCTIC OCEAN; THE ORCA</b></p> <p>(b) Copies of parts:; <b>POLAR REGIONS (descant); ARCTIC OCEAN; THE ORCA;</b> (on following pages)</p> <p>(c) mp3 recordings: <b>POLAR REGIONS; POLAR REGIONS WITH DESCANT ; POLAR REGIONS WITH ORCA CHANT;</b></p> <p>(d) Tuned percussion and claves</p>
<b>Introduction/ warm up</b>	<p><b>THE BEAUTIFUL GAME</b> A textured piece of body percussion</p> <p>Can pupils organise their own groups and lead the activity independently?</p>
<p><b>Main part of the lesson to include some aspects of:</b></p> <p><i>Singing</i></p> <p><i>Composing</i></p> <p><i>Performing</i></p> <p><i>Listening</i></p> <p><i>Appraising</i></p>	<p>This lesson is based on five interconnected musical activities that fit together to form a layered performance piece <b>FROZEN WORLD</b> (the words of all parts are on page 2). Allow all pupils to learn every part before dividing into performance groups described below.</p> <p>1) Display the words for <b>POLAR REGIONS</b> and learn the song with the mp3 recording. It uses a 5-note pentatonic scale that makes adding extra melodies very simple.</p> <p>2) Display the words for <b>ARCTIC OCEAN</b> and listen to the mp3 of the two verses of the chant. Join in, being very accurate in placing words correctly: these syllabic rhythms provide the body percussion part. This is for practice only; the part requires the rhythms to be tapped on knees without saying the words out loud.</p> <p>3) Display words for <b>THE ORCA</b>. The words are chanted: the asterisks (rests) are played on claves</p> <p>4) Ask a confident group to learn the descant of <b>POLAR REGIONS WITH DESCANT</b> with the mp3 recording.</p> <p>5) <b>IMPROVISED CHIME BAR PART</b> Ask some pupils to improvise a pentatonic accompaniment on chime bars, using notes C D E G A, and placing unused notes (F and B) in the lid.</p> <p><b>ORGANISATION FOR A CLASS PERFORMANCE</b></p> <p>Allocate parts to small groups (4-5 in each), except for those singing the main song <b>POLAR REGIONS</b>, that group needs to have about 8 -10 singers.</p> <p>Start with the main song and then select an order for each group's entry into this whole class piece, creating a cumulative performance of <b>FROZEN WORLD</b>. Encourage pupils to listen as they play or sing their part, so that everything fits together musically.</p>
<b>Ideas for revisiting in the week</b>	<p>Try out other arrangements of <b>FROZEN WORLD</b> and give a performance in assembly involving every Y5 pupil.</p>

## **FROZEN WORLD a layered piece for a whole class**

### **Group 1: POLAR REGIONS** A pentatonic song

In the frozen Arctic  
Gleaming icebergs tower  
Fill the Northern skyline  
With majestic power

In the South Atlantic  
Penguins live and thrive  
Colonies of thousands  
Manage to survive

### **Group 2: ARCTIC OCEAN (no speech, tap knees on syllables)**

Giant mammals swimming  
In the Arctic sea  
Larger than a submarine  
Swimming wild and free

Colonies of orcas  
Circling all around  
Leaping from the ocean  
Never touching ground

### **Group 3: THE ORCA chanted with claves playing rests**

Orca \* \*  
Killer whale \*\* \*  
Orca \* \*  
Flips his tail \*\* \*

Orca \* \*  
Rules the sea \*\* \*  
Orca \* \*  
Powerfully\*\* \*

### **Group 4: POLAR REGIONS (descant) alternate lines are constant**

Icebergs in the ocean  
**Icebergs in the sea**  
Icebergs' jagged contours  
**Floating free**

Icebergs' shining turrets  
**Icebergs in the sea**  
Icebergs; frozen islands  
**Floating free**

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## **POLAR REGIONS (descant)**

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Icebergs' jagged contours  
**Floating free**

Icebergs' shining turrets  
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Icebergs; frozen islands  
**Floating free**

## **ARCTIC OCEAN (tap knees on syllables)**

Giant mammals swimming  
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## **THE ORCA chant with claves playing rests**

Orca \* \*

Killer whale \*\* \*

Orca \* \*

Flips his tail \*\* \*

Orca \* \*

Rules the sea \*\* \*

Orca \* \*

Powerfully \*\* \*