



BTEC Level 3 Music

Overview

4-unit course with a focus on practical performance. One A-Level equivalent.

Competition

Choose something that you think will improve our music department. It could be an instrument or absolutely anything music related (no more than £250). We will choose one student with the best idea and buy that item for the department for you to use! Be creative!



Reading

Some good reading you could do before you start the course would be the following magazines. Especially look at any practical music tasks or live reviews they may include as this is something you will do when the course starts.

- Guitarist or Bassist Magazine
- Any other instrument focused magazine
- Kerrang!, Q or NME

If you cannot get hold of any of these, you should be able to access the content on the websites for each magazine.



Tasks

TASK 1: Choose two songs to learn on your instrument/voice from the following list:

- Foo Fighters – Learn to Fly
- ACDC – Back in Black
- Oasis – Roll With It
- Paramore – Misery Business
- Taylor Swift – Teardrops On My Guitar
- Red Hot Chili Peppers – Scar Tissue
- Prince – Raspberry Beret
- Alicia Keys – If I Ain't Got You
- Arctic Monkeys – Black Treacle



TASK 2: Learn the following scales in any key that you wish:

- Blues Scale
- Minor
- Major
- Pentatonic

If you are a drummer, learn the following drum patterns:

- 4/4 Rock Beat
- Shuffle Rhythm
- Any ride cymbal based drum beat





Netflix, Amazon, YouTube Programmes to Watch

Classic Albums: The Darkside of the Moon

<https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xnain7>

Coldplay: A Head Full of Dreams (Amazon Prime)

Oasis: Supersonic (Netflix/Amazon Prime)



NETFLIX

prime video

Podcasts

- Song Appeal: a series that explores why we like the music we do;
- The Musicality Podcast: a mix of interviews and teaching materials;
- Switched on Pop: exploring interpretations of trending pop music;
- Guitar Music Theory: seriously practical podcast for guitar players wanting to hone their skills;
- The DrumMantra: a must-listen for any drummer!



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