

THE ELEMENTS OF MUSIC



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PITCH

The highness and lowness on a musical scale.

HARMONY

Notes of different pitches played at the same time.

MELODY

How notes are put together in a sequence.

RHYTHM

How time is controlled in music. (beat, meter, tempo).

TIMBRE/TONE COLOR

The sound quality of a note.

DYNAMICS

The loudness and quietness of composition (musical piece) and transitions between the two.

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