

Music Activities for Home Learning

Use these activities for extension tasks during your timetabled music lessons if you complete the tasks set, or in your own time to develop your musical skills further.

Orchestra games and videos

<https://www.nyphilkids.org/> - here you can learn more about the orchestra by playing games or watch some orchestra performances in the 'Young People's Concerts Play section
<https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids/activities/make-your-own-instrument> - guides to making your own instruments at home

Piano and Keyboard Lessons

<http://www.piano-tutorials.com/> - for anyone who has a piano or keyboard at home there are song tutorials here
<https://virtualpiano.net/> a virtual piano you can use on your computer if you do not have a piano
<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/instrument/keyboard/> - piano/keyboard lessons and song tutorials

Guitar Lessons

<https://www.justinguitar.com/guitar-lessons> - for anyone who has a guitar at home
<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/instrument/guitar/> - guitar lessons and song tutorials

Virtual Drum Kit

<https://www.virtualdrumming.com/drums/online-virtual-games/hip-hop-drum-kits.html>

No Instrument? Use your computer as an instrument!

<https://apps.musedlab.org/aqwertyon/theory/> - for those who do not have an instrument at home this turns your computer keyboard into an instrument, use the first link for theory or this to play along to songs:
https://apps.musedlab.org/aqwertyon/?video=R7iNSUoQ4Lk&sound=rock_organ&

Sing! (and other vocal performance – rap, beatbox)

Singing is a great way to do music if you have no instrument, it is also an activity that can make you feel good. Look up lyrics or a karaoke track on YouTube for your favourite song. To improve your singing try doing some warm ups first. There are some tips on these sites:
<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/instrument/vocals/>
<https://takelessons.com/blog/learning-how-to-sing-z02>
<https://www.musictoyourhome.com/blog/6-vocal-warm-ups-for-kids/>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvdqhyc/articles/z6cwd6f>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvdqhyc/articles/zn2ht39>

Performance

<https://www.8notes.com/> for any instrument there is lots of free sheet music here as well as tutorials and play along tracks

<http://jamzone.littlekidsrock.org/> - song tutorials for all band instruments and voice

Song writing

Have a go at writing a song. Write lyrics then try singing it to a chord sequence – create your own if you have an instrument otherwise use <https://chordchord.com/>

Listen

Listen to different music on Spotify or Youtube. Try to spot interesting things in the music such as the instruments or elements e.g. dynamics, texture, tempo and describe what you like (or don't like!). Keep a listening diary to write descriptions and keep track of what you listen to.

Music Theory

<https://www.daveconservatoire.org/> - some more advanced tutorials suitable for those who have done additional music tuition on an instrument or anyone who wants to develop their musical understanding

<https://www.teoria.com/en/tutorials/> - advanced tutorials and exercises

Composing

<https://musescore.org/en> - music notation software if you want to try to write your own music

<https://chordchord.com/> create chord progressions here