



### Form and structure:

The piece is in **verse-chorus** form.

Intro	Verse 1 / Verse 2	Chorus 1 / Chorus 2	Link 1 / Link 2	Instrumental	Chorus 3	Outro
1 - 4	5 - 39 / 14 - 39	40 - 57	58 - 65	66 - 82	40 - 92	93 - 96
4 bars	35 bars / 26 bars	18 bars	8 bars	17 bars	22 bars	4 bars

### Metre and rhythm:

**Simple duple time** – 2/2 (split common time) – with two minim beats in every bar.

Uses distinctive **ostinato rhythms** for both riffs, consisting almost totally of **quavers**, with constant use of **syncopation**.

**Vocal rhythm** looks complex but follows the natural rhythm of the lyrics.

### Background details:

Composed by band members **David Paich** and **Jeff Porcaro**.

Recorded by the American rock band Toto in **1981** for their fourth studio album entitled **Toto IV**.

Released in **1982** and reached number one in America on 5 February **1983**.

Genre: **soft rock**.

### Instrumentation:

**Rock band:** drum kit with additional percussion, lead and bass guitars, synthesisers, male lead vocals and male backing vocals.

### Harmony:

**Diatonic;** mixture of root position and inverted chords.

**Riff a** can be heard during the intro, verses, link sections, instrumental and outro. This riff uses a three-chord pattern: **A – G#m – C#m**.



Choruses use a standard chord pattern: **vi (F#m) – IV (D) – I (A) – V (E)**.

The **harmonic rhythm** (the rate of chord change) is mostly once per bar.

### Dynamics:

Most of the song is **mezzo-forte** (moderately loud) whilst the choruses are **forte**.

### Melody:

Mostly **conjunct** (moving in step) with a **wide vocal range**.

**Riff b** uses the **pentatonic scale** (interpreted through E major):



**Vocal improvisations** occur towards the end of the song.

### Texture:

**Homophonic:** melody and accompaniment.

### Tonality:

The majority of the song is in **B major** whilst the choruses are all in **A major**.

### Tempo:

The tempo is **moderately fast**.

# Musical forms and devices

## Area of study 1 - Eduqas GCSE Music

### Baroque era (1600-1750)

- Harpsichord
- Ornaments
- Terraced dynamics
- Basso continuo
- Small orchestra (mostly strings, plus some wind)
- Suite, sonata, oratorio, chorales, trio sonata
- **Bach, Handel, Vivaldi**

### Classical era (1750-1810)

- Slightly larger orchestra
- Piano introduced
- Alberti bass
- String quartets
- Symphony, solo sonata, solo concerto
- Balanced, regular phrases
- **Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven**

### Romantic era (1810-1910)

- Lyrical, expressive melodies
- Large orchestra
- Wider range of dynamics
- Richer harmonies and use of chromatic chords
- Programme music
- Opera symphony
- **Tchaikovsky, Grieg, Schumann, Dvorak, Brahms, Verdi, Wagner**

### Form and structure

#### BINARY

A B

Two sections: A usually ends in a related key (e.g. dominant or relative minor), but B returns to the tonic. B will contain with some change/contrast.

#### TERNARY

A B A

Three sections: section B provides a contrast (e.g. new tune key change). A may return exactly or with some slight changes.

#### RONDO

A B A C A

A longer form: A returns throughout the piece, with contrasting sections called 'episodes', containing new ideas and using different keys.

#### MINUET AND TRIO

II: AB: II II:CD :II AB

The minuet was a type of graceful dance from the 17-18<sup>th</sup> century, and was often used as the 3<sup>rd</sup> movement in symphonies in the Classical era. The minuet had two repeated sections, the trio had two new repeated sections, with a return to the minuet at the end (no repeat).

#### VARIATIONS

A a A A *f*

The main theme (tune) is repeated and developed a number of times in a variety of different ways.

#### STROPHIC

A A A

A simple form where the song uses the same melody over and over.

### Devices

<b>Repetition</b>	A musical idea is repeated exactly.
<b>Imitation</b>	An idea is copied in another part.
<b>Sequence</b>	Repetition of an idea in the same part at a higher/lower pitch.
<b>Ostinato</b>	A short, repeated pattern or phrase.
<b>Drone</b>	A long held or constantly repeated note(s).
<b>Arpeggio/ broken chord</b>	The notes of a chord played individually.
<b>Alberti bass</b>	A broken chord accompaniment (I,V,iii,V) common in the Classical era.
<b>Anacrusis</b>	An 'up-beat' or pick-up before the first strong beat.
<b>Dotted rhythms</b>	A rhythm using dotted notes (gives a 'jagged' or 'bouncy' type of effect).
<b>Syncopation</b>	Off beat accents.
<b>Conjunct</b>	Notes that move in steps.
<b>Disjunct</b>	Notes that move in leaps/ intervals.
<b>Regular phrasing</b>	Balanced parts of a melody (like the phrases in a sentence) e.g. four bar phrases.

### Scales and chords

A **CHORD** is a group of two or more notes played at the same time. A **TRIAD** has three notes. A **CHORD SEQUENCE/PATTERN** is a series of chords. **DIATONIC HARMONY** is based on the chords of major/minor scales.

Primary chords I, IV, V  
Secondary chords ii, iii, vi, vii

**C Major Scale**

**C Major Triads**

### Cadences

The two chords at the end of a phrase

<b>Perfect</b>	<b>V-I</b>	Strong ending – sounds 'finished'; a musical full stop.
<b>Plagal</b>	<b>IV-I</b>	Sounds finished but 'softer'; Amen.
<b>Imperfect</b>	<b>I-V, ii-V, vi-V</b>	Sounds unfinished.
<b>Interrupted</b>	<b>V-vi</b>	Moves to an unexpected chord; 'surprise'.

### Texture

<b>MONOPHONIC</b>	A single melodic line. 
<b>HOMOPHONIC</b>	A chordal style or melody and accompaniment: moving together. 
<b>POLYPHONIC</b>	A more complex (contrapuntal) texture with a number of different lines. 
<b>Melody and accompaniment</b>	A tune with accompaniment (e.g. chords).
<b>Unison</b>	All parts play/sing the same music at the same time.
<b>Chordal</b>	The music moves in chords (e.g. like a hymn/chorale).
<b>Descant</b>	A decorative, higher pitched line.
<b>Countermelody</b>	A new melody, combined with the theme.
<b>Round</b>	A short (vocal) canon.
<b>Canon</b>	The melody is repeated exactly in different parts but starting at different times, with parts overlapping.
<b>Drone</b>	Long held notes.
<b>2-3-4 part texture</b>	Textures which have 2/3/4 different lines.

### Jazz and blues

**Scat:** vocal improvisation using wordless/nonsense syllables.  
**Improvised:** music made up on the spot.  
**Blue notes:** flattened 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>ths</sup>, 7<sup>ths</sup>.  
**Syncopation:** off-beat accents.  
**Call and response:** a phrase played/sung by a leader and repeated by others.  
**Walking bass:** bass line that 'walks' up and down the notes of a scale/arpeggio.  
**Swing style:** 'jazzy' rhythm with a triplet/dotted feeling.

A jazz ensemble may contain:

#### Rhythm section

- Drums
- Bass (guitar or double bass)
- Piano/guitar

#### 'Horn section'

- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Saxophone

Some groups use a wider range of instruments e.g. clarinet, violin.

### 12 bar blues

#### Chords

I	I	I	I
IV	IV	I	I
V	IV	I	I/V

#### Example in C major

C	C	C	C
F	F	C	C
G	F	C	C/G

### Chamber music

Chamber music was music for a small ensemble, originally played in a small room in someone's home.  
**Baroque:** The **trio sonata** featured one or two soloists, plus **basso continuo** (which consisted of a low-pitched instrument such as a cello playing a bassline, with an instrument playing chords e.g. harpsichord).  
**Classical: String quartets** (two violins, a viola and a cello) were popular. They had **four** movements, with the 1<sup>st</sup> movement usually in sonata form.

**Romantic:** Chamber music groups were more varied in the Romantic era, using a wider range of instruments (e.g. piano quintet, horn trio). Performances happened in larger concert halls as well as in small 'chambers'.

### A piece of music for:

<b>DUET</b>	2 performers
<b>TRIO</b>	3 performers
<b>QUARTET</b>	4 performers
<b>QUINTET</b>	5 performers
<b>SEXTET</b>	6 performers
<b>SEPTET</b>	7 performers
<b>OCTET</b>	8 performers

### Musical theatre

Musical numbers may include:  
**Solo:** a song for one singer.  
**Duet:** a song for two singers.  
**Trio:** a song for three singers.  
**Ensemble:** a song sung by a small group.  
**Chorus:** a large group (usually the full company/cast).  
**Recitative:** a vocal style that imitates the rhythms and accents of speech.  
**Overture:** an orchestral introduction to the show, which usually uses tunes from the show.  
 The orchestra/band is used to **accompany** the voices and to **underscore**.

### Voices

**Soprano**  
**Alto**  
**Tenor**  
**Bass**

The band/orchestra (sometimes called the 'pit' orchestra), may use **strings**, **woodwind** (sometimes called 'reeds'), **brass** and **percussion** and/or a rock/pop band, depending on the style. Most shows also use keyboards or synths.

# Film Music

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Some film **SOUNDTRACKS** include specially composed **SCORES**, either for orchestra (e.g. composers like John Williams, Ennio Morricone) or songs written especially for the film (e.g. Disney films). Other films use pre-existing music e.g. popular songs from the era/place in which the film is set.

### STRINGS

- Violin
- Cello
- Viola
- Double bass
- Harp

### WOODWIND

- Flute
- Clarinet
- Oboe
- Bassoon
- Saxophone

### BRASS

- Trumpet
- Trombone
- French horn
- Tuba

### KEYBOARDS

- Piano
- Electronic keyboard
- Harpsichord
- Organ
- Synthesizer

### PERCUSSION

- Bass drum
- Snare drum
- Triangle
- Cymbal
- Drum kit (untuned)
- Timpani
- Glockenspiel
- Xylophone (tuned)

### OTHER

- Electric guitar
- Bass guitar
- Spanish/classical guitar
- Traditional world instruments

### Musical elements

Film composers use the **MUSICAL ELEMENTS** (tempo, texture, dynamics, timbre, tonality, rhythm, melody, harmony) to create mood and atmosphere to help to tell the story and enhance the action.

For example:

In a **sad, reflective scene**, a composer might use slow tempo, minor tonality, soft dynamics, legato, homophonic texture, long sustained notes, and a conjunct melody.

An **exciting car chase scene** in a thriller might have a fast tempo, busy, polyphonic texture, dissonant chords, loud dynamics, syncopated rhythms, a disjunct melody and short riffs.

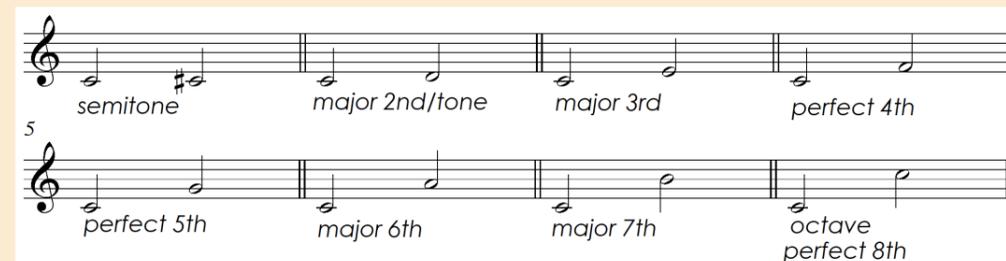
A scene where the **superhero 'saves the day'** might use a major tonality, brass fanfares, loud dynamics, accents, 4<sup>ths</sup> and 5<sup>ths</sup> (intervals).

Composers will often use **CONTRASTS** to create effect (e.g. using a wide range of pitch from very high to very low).

### Intervals

Film composers often use intervals to create a particular effect (e.g. a rising perfect 4<sup>th</sup> sounds 'heroic', and a semitone can sound 'menacing').

An **interval** is the distance between two notes.



**Rising interval:** moving upwards (ascending)

**Falling interval:** moving downwards (descending)

### Specific instrumental terms

<b>Pizzicato</b>	Plucking the strings.
<b>Divisi</b>	Two parts sharing the same musical line.
<b>Double stopping</b>	Playing two strings at the same time.
<b>Arco</b>	Using a bow to play a stringed instrument.
<b>Tremolo</b>	A 'trembling' effect, moving rapidly on the same note or between two chords (e.g. using the bow rapidly back and forth).
<b>Tongued</b>	A technique to make the notes sound separated (woodwind/brass).
<b>Slurred</b>	Notes are played smoothly.
<b>Muted</b>	Using a mute to change/dampen the sound (brass/strings).
<b>Drum roll</b>	Notes/beats in rapid succession.
<b>Glissando</b>	A rapid glide over the notes.
<b>Trill</b>	Alternating rapidly between two notes.
<b>Vibrato</b>	Making the notes 'wobble' up and down for expression.

### Composers also use:

<b>Theme</b>	The main tune/melody.
<b>Motif</b>	A short musical idea (melodic or rhythmic).
<b>Leitmotif</b>	A recurring musical idea linked to a character/object or place (e.g. Darth Vader's motif in Star Wars).
<b>Underscoring</b>	Music playing underneath the dialogue.
<b>Scalic</b>	Melody follows the notes of a scale.
<b>Triadic</b>	Melody moves around the notes of a triad.
<b>Fanfare</b>	Short tune often played by brass instruments, to announce someone/something important; based on the pitches of a chord.
<b>Pedal note</b>	A long, sustained note, usually in the bass/lower notes.
<b>Ostinato/riff</b>	A short, repeated pattern.
<b>Conjunct</b>	The melody moves by step.
<b>Disjunct</b>	The melody moves with leaps/intervals.
<b>Consonant harmony</b>	Sounds 'good' together.
<b>Dissonant harmony</b>	Sounds 'clashy'.
<b>Chromatic harmony</b>	Uses lots of semitones/accidentals that's not in the home key.
<b>Minimalism</b>	A style of music using repetition of short phrases which change gradually over time.

### Popular music includes:

- **POP**
- **ROCK**
- **RAP**
- **HIP HOP**
- **REGGAE**

Plus many other genres, e.g. soul, ska, heavy metal, R&B, country, rock'n'roll.

**FUSION:** when two different styles are mixed together. This can be two styles of popular music e.g. 'rap metal', or could combine a popular music genre with other styles, folk-rock, gospel, world music, classical to create a new and interesting sound. **Jazz fusion** (jazz and pop) is a popular genre.

### Instruments

#### ELECTRIC GUITAR:

- **Lead guitar:** plays the melody/ solos/riffs
- **Rhythm guitar:** plays the chords/ accompaniment.

**BASS GUITAR:** plays the bass line.

**DRUM KIT:** provides the beat.

**LEAD SINGER:** the main vocalist.

**BACKING VOCALS:** singers who provide harmony.

Pop/rock groups may also include **acoustic** (not electric) instruments e.g. trumpet, trombone, saxophone and/or electronic keyboards/synthesizers.

### Features and techniques found in popular music

<b>Riff</b>	A short, repeated pattern.
<b>Hammer on</b>	Finger brought sharply down onto the string.
<b>Pitch bend</b>	Altering (bending) the pitch slightly.
<b>Power chords</b>	A guitar chord using the root and 5 <sup>th</sup> note (no 3 <sup>rd</sup> ).
<b>Distortion</b>	An effect which distorts the sound (creates a 'grungy' sound).
<b>Slap bass</b>	A percussive sound on the bass guitar made by bouncing the strings on the fret board.
<b>Fill</b>	A short, improvised drum solo.
<b>Rim shot</b>	Rim and head of drum hit at same time.
<b>Belt</b>	A bright, powerful vocal sound, high in the chest voice.
<b>Falsetto</b>	Male voice in a higher than usual range.
<b>Syllabic</b>	One note sung per syllable.
<b>Melismatic</b>	Each syllable sung to a number of different notes.
<b>A cappella</b>	Voices singing without instrumental accompaniment.

### The structure of a pop/rock song may include:

**INTRO:** short opening section, usually instrumental.

**VERSE:** same music but different lyrics each time.

**CHORUS:** repeated with the same lyrics each time (refrain).

**MIDDLE EIGHT:** a link section, often eight bars, with different musical ideas.

**BRIDGE:** a link/transition between two sections.

**OUTRO:** an ending to finish the song (coda).

\*You may also hear a pre-chorus, instrumental interlude or instrumental solo.

\*Strophic songs, 32 bar songs (AABA) and 12 bar blues are also found in popular music.

A typical rock ballad in verse-chorus form could follow the pattern:

- Intro
- Verse 1
- Chorus
- Verse 2
- Chorus
- MiddleEight
- Chorus
- Outro

### Technology

<b>Amplified</b>	Made louder (with an <b>amplifier</b> ).
<b>Synthesized</b>	Sounds created electronically.
<b>Panning</b>	Moving the sound between left and right speakers.
<b>Phasing</b>	A delay effect.
<b>Sample</b>	A short section of music that is reused (e.g. looped, layered).
<b>Reverb</b>	An electronic <b>echo</b> effect.

### Dynamics

<i>pp</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>mp</i>	<i>mf</i>	<i>f</i>	<i>ff</i>
PIANISSIMO	PIANO	MEZZO PIANO	MEZZO FORTE	FORTE	FORTISSIMO
very soft (v. quiet)	soft (quiet)	moderately soft	moderately loud	loud	very loud
					
<b>crescendo (cresc.)</b>			<b>diminuendo (dim.)</b>		
gradually getting louder			gradually getting quieter		

### Tempo

LARGO	LENTO/ ADAGIO	ANDANTE/ MODERATO	ALLGRETTO	ALLEGRO/ VIVACE	PRESTO
v. slow	slow	walking pace/ moderate	quite fast	quick/lively	very quick

- **Accelerando:** gradually getting faster
- **Rallentando/ritardando:** gradually getting slower
- **A tempo:** return to the original speed
- **Ritenuito:** in slower time
- **Rubato:** rhythms are played in a more free/flexible way ('robbed time').

### Time values

NOTE	NAME	LENGTH (duration)	REST
	Semibreve	4 beats	
	Minim	2 beats	
	Crotchet	1 beats	
	Quaver	½ beats	
	Semiquaver	¼ beats	

A dot after the note increases its length by half:

	Dotted minim		
	Dotted crotchet		

Groups of quavers/semiquavers are usually beamed together:



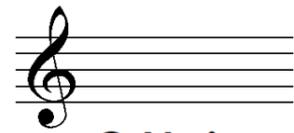
### Terms and signs

#	Sharp	Raises a note by a semitone.
b	Flat	Lowers a note by a semitone.
	Natural	Cancels a previous sharp or flat for a note.
	Staccato	Detached.
	Slur	Play smoothly.
	Tie	Hold the notes for the full value of the tied notes.
V	Accent	Emphasize the note (play forcefully).
	Pause	Hold the note longer.
<i>sfz</i>	Sforzando	Sudden stress/ accent.

# Music terms and signs

## Glossary - Eduqas GCSE Music

### Key signatures



C Major



G Major

D Major

A Major

E Major



F Major

Bb Major

Eb Major

Ab Major

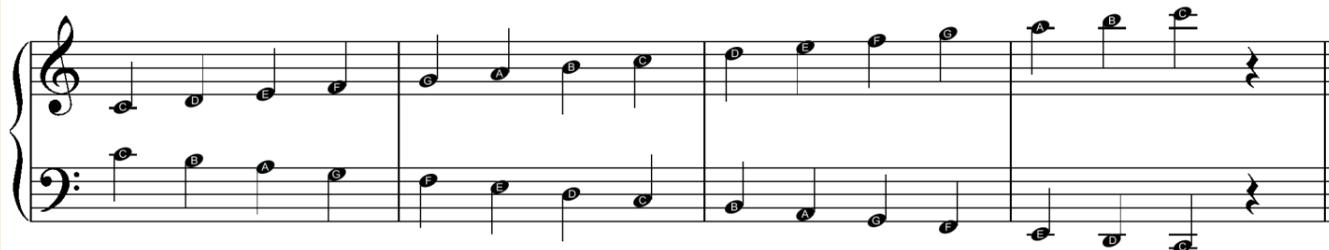
**F C G D A E B**

Order of sharps # →

← Order of flats b

time signature  
treble clef  
barline  
repeat sign  
stave  
bar  
bass clef  
key signature  
notes on the lines  
notes in the spaces

### Treble clef notes



### Bass clef notes

### Time signatures



Two crotchet beats per bar: simple duple



Two dotted crotchet beats per bar: compound duple



Three crotchet beats per bar: simple triple



Three dotted crotchet beats per bar: compound triple



Four crotchet beats per bar: simple quadruple

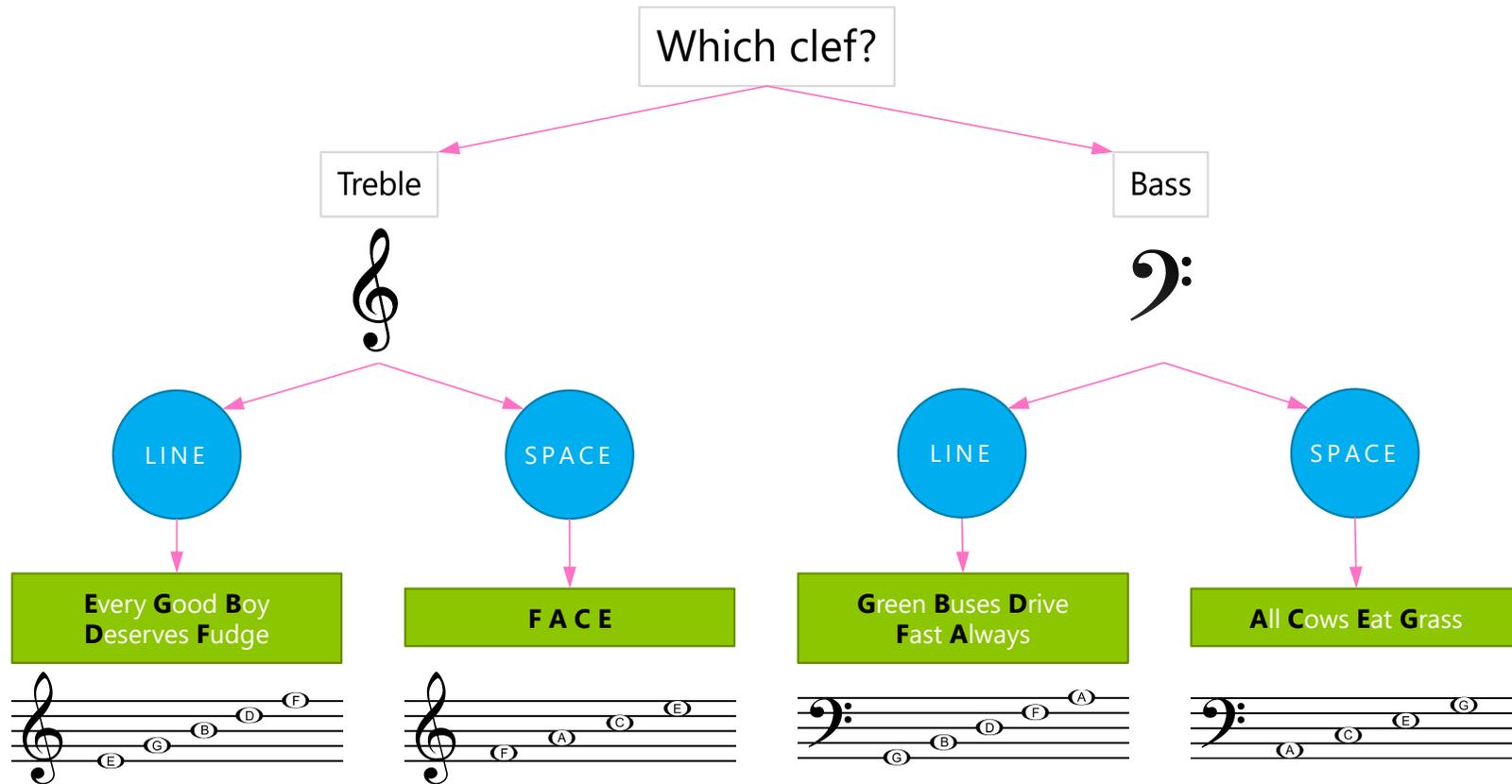


Four dotted crotchet beats per bar: compound quadruple

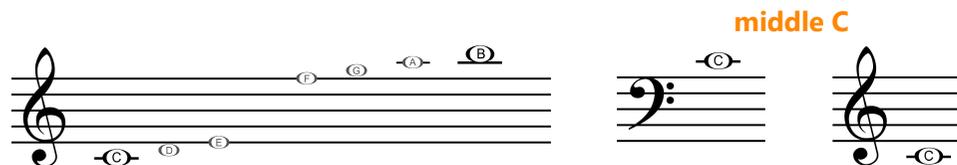


A triplet is when three notes are played in the time of two.

# Clef World



Notes outside the range of the five-line staff use **ledger lines** – simply move forwards (up) or backwards (down) through the musical alphabet (A – G) from a note you already know, ‘counting’ every line and space.



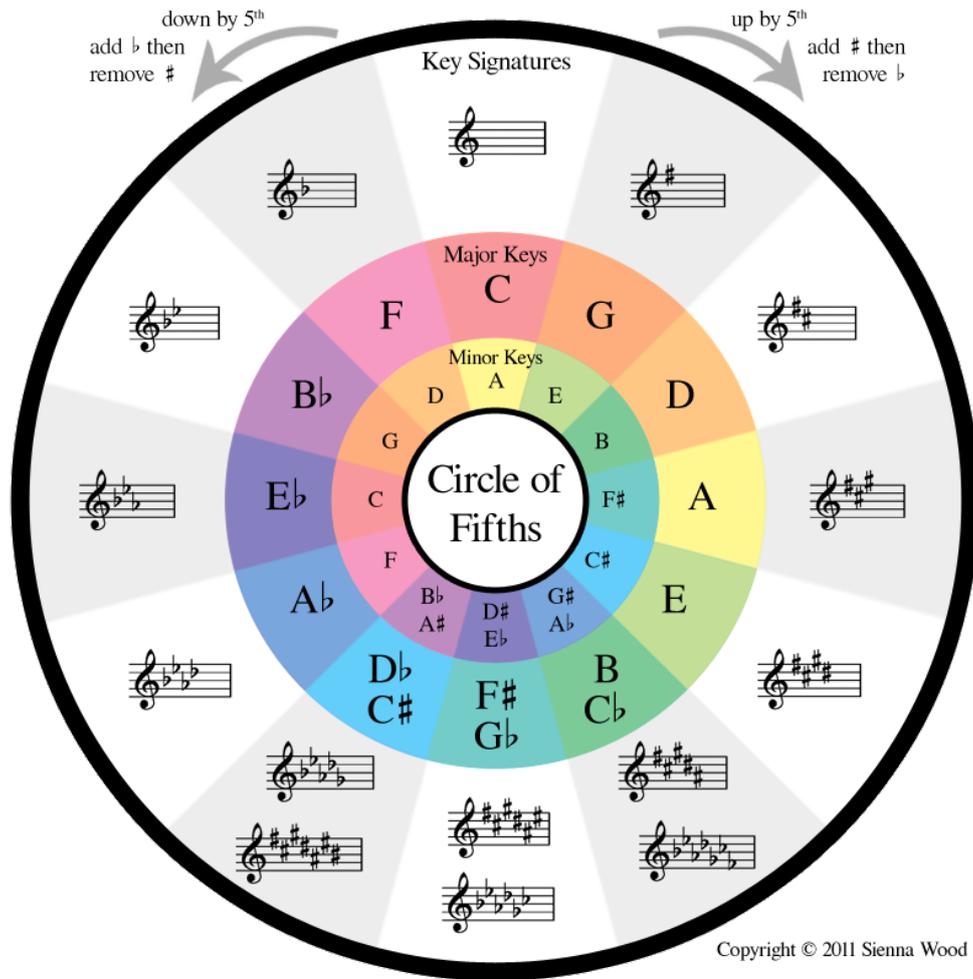
# Note and rest values

Name	Note	Rest	Value
semibreve			4
minim			2
crotchet			1
quaver			$\frac{1}{2}$
triplet			$\frac{1}{3}$ each
semiquaver			$\frac{1}{4}$

A **dot** after a note or rest increases its duration by half again, e.g.  $\text{d.} = 2 + 1 = 3$

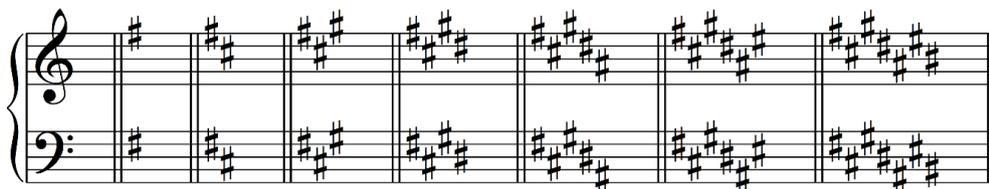
# Circle of fifths

To find the key signature for a particular key, you can use a circle of fifths. The major keys are on the outer circle. Moving to the inner circle will give the relative minor key, which shares the same key signature.

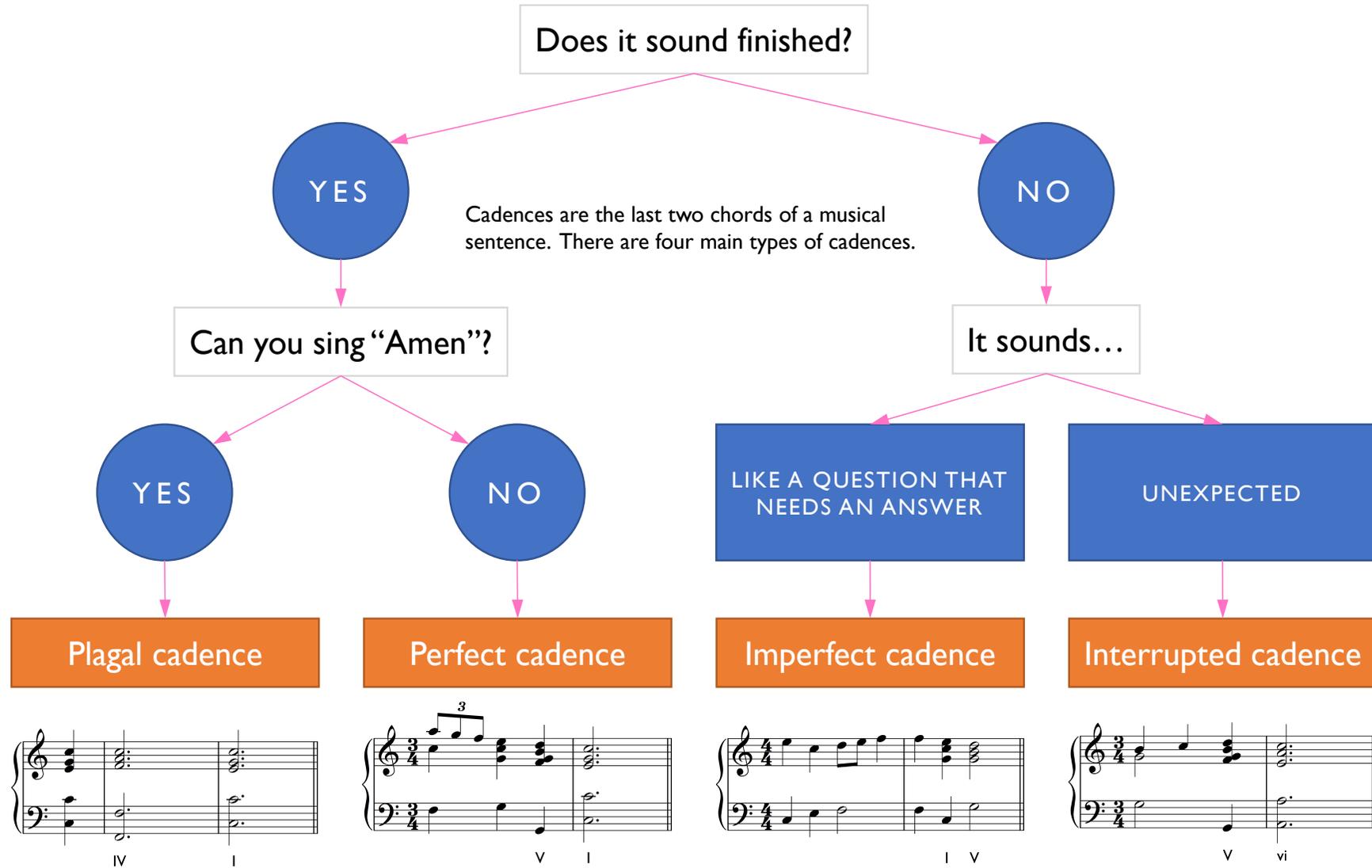


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Here are all the key signatures written on the treble and bass clefs:



# Cadence World



**INSTRUMENTATION**

solo flute, string orchestra (violin I, violin II, **viola**, cello and double bass) and harpsichord (**continuo**)



**DYNAMICS**

- ▶ mostly **forte**
- ▶ **terraced dynamics**



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**TEMPO**

**allegro** (not notated on the score)

**HARMONY**

**diatonic** throughout

**TONALITY**

- ▶ section A starts in B minor; ends in F# minor
- ▶ section B does the opposite

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**TEXTURE**

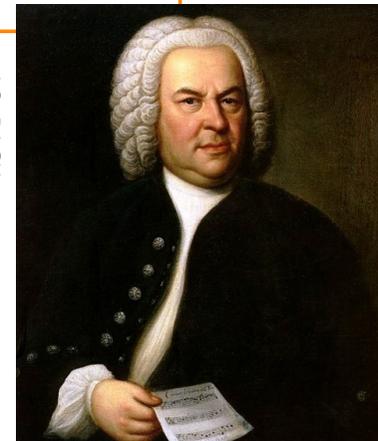
- ▶ **homophonic** (melody and accompaniment)
- ▶ flute and cello provide the main musical material, but violin I participates occasionally
- ▶ violin II and viola provide harmony with less busy musical lines

# Badinerie

**Background info:**

- ◉ composed in 1738-9 by J.S. Bach, a German composer of the Baroque era
- ◉ seventh and final movement of Suite No. 2 (a collection of dance pieces)
- ◉ a showpiece for virtuoso flautists

▶ J.S. BACH



**FORM AND STRUCTURE**

**binary form** (AB) with each section repeated once (AABB)

Section A	Bars 0 <sup>2</sup> – 16 <sup>1</sup>	16 bars
Section B	Bars 16 <sup>2</sup> – 40 <sup>1</sup>	24 bars

**MELODY**

- ▶ motif X: descending **broken chord**
- ▶ motif Y: broken chords and **conjunct** movement
- ▶ flute part has a two-octave **range**
- ▶ **trills**, **appoggiaturas** and **sequences**

**RHYTHM**

- ▶ **ostinato** rhythms, consisting almost totally of quavers and semiquavers
- ▶ 2/4 throughout

## J.S.Bach: BADINERIE from Orchestral Suite No.2

### The Composer

- Johann Sebastian Bach was a German composer and musician of the Baroque era.
- He was born on the 31st of March 1685 and died at the age of 65 on the 28th of July 1750.
- He is known for instrumental compositions such as the Brandenburg Concertos and the Goldberg Variations, and for vocal music such as the St Matthew Passion and the Mass in B minor.
- He is generally regarded as one of the greatest composers of all time.

### The Music

- Composition date: 1738-1739. Orchestral Suite No.2 contains seven movements (sections): Overture, Rondeau, Sarabande, Bourree, Polonaise, Menuet and Badinerie.
- Instrumentation: (Transverse) Flute, String Orchestra and Harpsichord (Basso Continuo).
- Tempo: Allegro (not marked on the score).
- Dynamics: Mostly forte, including use of terraced dynamics (although very few markings appear on the score, which was typical of the period).
- Form and Structure: Binary form (AB), with each section repeated once (AABB):  
Section A Bars 0<sup>2</sup> – 16<sup>1</sup> 16 bars  
Section B Bars 16<sup>2</sup> – 40<sup>1</sup> 24 bars
- Tonality: Section A begins in B minor and ends in F# minor whilst section B does the opposite, beginning in F# minor and ending in B minor.
- Harmony: Diatonic throughout. Section A modulates from the tonic to the dominant minor and Section B does the opposite. Imperfect and perfect cadences are clearly presented throughout. Chords frequently occur in inversion with occasional use of V<sup>7</sup> in third inversion. A Neapolitan sixth chord is used in bar 35. Suspensions also occur in bars 8<sup>1</sup>, 10<sup>1</sup> and 32<sup>1</sup>.
- Melody and Pitch: The movement is based on two short musical ideas (X and Y). The flute part has a two-octave pitch range. The movement includes ornaments and compositional devices typical of the Baroque era:  
Trills: Bars 8<sup>1</sup>, 10<sup>1</sup>, 15<sup>2</sup>, 27<sup>2</sup>, 30<sup>1</sup> and 32<sup>1</sup>  
Appoggiaturas: Bars 33<sup>1</sup> and 40<sup>1</sup>  
Sequences: 6<sup>2</sup> – 10<sup>1</sup> and bars 28<sup>2</sup> – 32<sup>1</sup>.
- Rhythm and Metre: Simple ostinato rhythms, forming the basis of the two short musical ideas (X and Y), consisting almost totally of quavers and semi-quavers. The time signature is 2/4 throughout.
- Texture: Homophonic (melody and accompaniment). The flute and the cello provide the main musical material, but the 1<sup>st</sup> violin participates occasionally. The 2<sup>nd</sup> violin and viola provide harmony with less busy musical lines.



name given in the 18<sup>th</sup> century to a type of quick, light movement in a suite

a collection of short musical pieces, usually dances, which can be played one after another

composed by J.S. Bach in 1738-9 (Baroque era)

# Badinerie from Orchestral Suite No.2

suite no. 2 contains seven movements, the last of which is Badinerie

the entire movement is based on two motifs: X and Y  
characteristic quaver-semiquavers rhythm

solo flute  
Flute  
Violin 1  
Violin 2  
Viola  
Violoncello  
string orchestra - several players per part

Flute

Violin 1

Violin 2

Viola

Violoncello

B minor

Perfect Cadence

a harpsichord would form the basso continuo along with the cello. It realises the chords in the right hand and plays the bass line in the left hand

allegro tempo (not marked on score)

binary form (AB), with each section repeated once (AABB)

Fl.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

A major

F# minor = dominant minor sequence

Perfect Cadence

Imperfect

modified version of X in the cello used to modulate to A major

last two quavers replaced by four semiquavers

2

Fl. *trm*

Vln. 1 *trm*

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

$V^4$   $\#$   $i^6$   $ii^6$   $V^\#$   $V^7$   $i$   $iv^6$   $i^6/4$

Cadence

Perfect Cadence

development and extension of motif Y

**B** motif X in F# minor

Fl. *trm*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

$ii^6$   $ii$   $i^6$   $ii^6$   $i^6/4$   $V^7$   $i$   $i$   $i^6$   $i^6$   $i$   $V^6/5$

Perfect Cadence

F# minor

E minor

section A ends in F# minor

motif X passes from cello to flute

inverted version of motif X so that is ascends rather than descends

transposed copy of motif Y from bar 10

19

Fl.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

D major = relative major

Perfect Cadence

Imperfect Cadence

Perfect

$i^4$   $V^{\#7}$   $i$   $ii$   $V_5^6$   $V_4^6$   $V_2^4$   $I^6$   $vi$   $ii^6$   $V$   $V^7$

last two quavers replaced by four semiquavers

transposed copy of motif Y1 from bar 12

24

Fl.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

G major

D major

Perfect Cadence

$I$   $V_2^1$   $I^6$   $V_4^6$   $I$   $IV$   $V_3^1$   $I^6$   $ii^6$   $I_4^1$   $V^7$   $I$



inverted version of motif X so that is ascends rather than descends

37

Fl.

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

X1

X3

altered pitch shape and less active rhythm

$i^6$   $V^7$   $i$   $i^6$   $i^6$   $i^6$   $V^7$   $i$

Perfect Cadence

Perfect Cadence

mostly forte dynamics (terraced dynamics – the more players, the louder the music at that moment)

diatonic harmony throughout

clear imperfect and perfect cadences throughout



### Bars 6<sup>2</sup> – 8<sup>1</sup>

Motif X is presented by the cellos in a slightly modified version in which the last crotchet of the motif is replaced with a quaver and two semiquavers. This motif moves the tonality to A major and is also the initial phrase in a musical sequence.



### Bars 8<sup>2</sup> – 10<sup>1</sup>

Motif X remains with the cellos with a further modified ending in which the last crotchet is replaced with four semiquavers. It moves the tonality to the dominant minor, F# minor, and is the answering phrase in a musical sequence that began in bar 6<sup>2</sup>.



### Bars 10<sup>2</sup> – 12<sup>1</sup>

Motif Y returns in the flute part with a modified ending in which the last two quavers are replaced by four semiquavers.



### Bars 12<sup>2</sup> – 16<sup>1</sup>

The flute continues to present the main melodic material. Motif Y is both extended and developed, and Section A is brought to a close in F# minor.

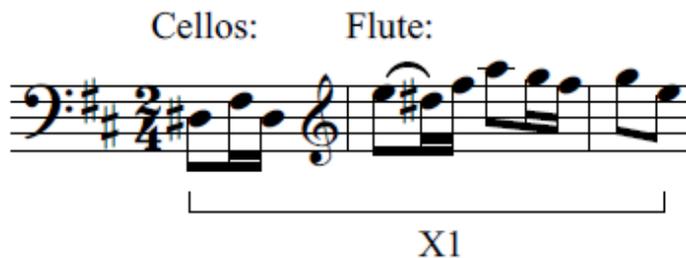


### Section B Bars 16<sup>2</sup> – 40<sup>1</sup> Twenty-four bars

Bars 16<sup>2</sup> – 18<sup>1</sup> Motif X is stated by the flute in F# minor.



Bars 18<sup>2</sup> – 20<sup>1</sup> Motif X is modified with two quavers to end instead of one crotchet whilst moving the tonality to E minor. The motif is divided between two instruments and is inverted so that it ascends rather than descends.



Bars 20<sup>2</sup> – 22<sup>1</sup> Motif X is presented by the flute, moving the tonality to D major, the relative major.



Bars 22<sup>2</sup> – 24<sup>1</sup> Motif Y returns in the flute part with a modified ending in which the last two quavers are replaced by four semiquavers. This is a transposed copy of bars 10<sup>2</sup> – 12<sup>1</sup>.



Bars 24<sup>2</sup> – 28<sup>1</sup> The flute continues to present the main melodic material which is a transposed copy of motif Y1 from bars 12<sup>2</sup> – 16<sup>1</sup>. The key of D major which was introduced in bars 20<sup>2</sup> – 22<sup>1</sup> is confirmed with a perfect cadence to close.



Bars 28<sup>2</sup> – 30<sup>1</sup> Motif X is presented by the cellos in a slightly modified version in which the last crotchet of the motif is replaced with a quaver and two semiquavers. This motif was initially presented in bars 6<sup>2</sup> – 8<sup>1</sup> and, as before, is the initial phrase in a musical sequence.



Bars 30<sup>2</sup> – 32<sup>1</sup> Motif X remains with the cellos with a further modified ending in which the last crotchet is replaced with two quavers. It returns the tonality to the tonic key, B minor, and is the answering phrase in a musical sequence that began in bar 28<sup>2</sup>.



Bars 32<sup>2</sup> – 34<sup>1</sup> Motif X is developed further at this point to become part of a musical conversation between the flute and the 1<sup>st</sup> violin. It has an altered pitch shape and is decorated by both an appoggiatura and rapid demisemiquaver movement.



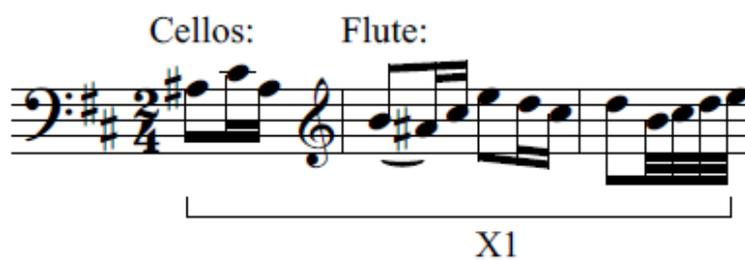
Musical notation for Motif X2, showing the Flute and Violin 1 parts. The notation is in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 2/4 time. The Flute part (left) plays a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4 with an appoggiatura, and a quarter note B4. The Violin 1 part (right) plays a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4 with an appoggiatura, and a quarter note B4. The motif is labeled X2.

Bars 34<sup>2</sup> – 36<sup>1</sup> Motif Y returns in the flute part with a modified beginning in which the first four semiquavers are replaced by a quaver and four demisemiquavers.



Musical notation for Motif Y, showing the Flute part. The notation is in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 2/4 time. The motif starts with a quaver G4, followed by four demisemiquaver notes: A4, B4, C5, and D5. The motif is labeled Y.

Bars 36<sup>2</sup> – 38<sup>1</sup> Motif X is modified with four semiquavers at the end instead of one crotchet. The motif is divided between two instruments and is inverted so that it ascends rather than descends.



Musical notation for Motif X1, showing the Cellos and Flute parts. The notation is in bass clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 2/4 time. The Cellos part (left) plays a quarter note G3, followed by a quarter note A3 with an appoggiatura, and a quarter note B3. The Flute part (right) plays a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4 with an appoggiatura, and a quarter note B4. The motif is labeled X1.

Bars 38<sup>2</sup> – 40<sup>1</sup> Section B is brought to a close in the tonic key by the cellos with a further modified version of motif X. This statement has an altered pitch shape and a less active rhythm than before.



Musical notation for Motif X3, showing the Cellos part. The notation is in bass clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 2/4 time. The motif starts with a quarter note G3, followed by a quarter note A3 with an appoggiatura, and a quarter note B3. The motif is labeled X3.

## Glossary

An **appoggiatura** is an added note, one step higher or lower than the main note, which shares the value of the main note by some of its value, usually by half. It is written as a grace note (a small note) without a line drawn through it.

**Badinerie** is a name given in the 18th century to a type of quick, light movement in a suite.

The **Baroque era** is a period of Western Classical music from 1600 to 1750. This period followed the Renaissance era and was followed in turn by the Classical era.

**Basso continuo**, notated as figured bass, is a system of partially improvised accompaniment played above a bass line, usually by a keyboard instrument. The use of basso continuo was customary during the 17th and 18th centuries when only the bass line was written out and the keyboard player was informed which chords to play by reading figures that were placed below the notes. A low melody instrument, such as the cello or the bassoon, usually reinforced the bass line.

A chord's **inversion** describes the relationship of its lowest note to the other notes in the chord. A C major triad contains the notes C, E and G. Its inversion is determined by which of these notes is the lowest note in the chord.

A **Neapolitan chord** is a major chord built on the flattened supertonic (second note) of the key. It most commonly occurs in first inversion and is normally referred to as a Neapolitan sixth chord.

A **sequence** is the repetition of a motif at a higher or lower pitch in the same voice or instrument. It is one of the most common methods of elaborating a melody found in eighteenth and nineteenth century classical music.

A **suite** (pronounced sweet) is a collection of short musical pieces, usually dances, which can be played one after another. The French word suite means a sequence of things.

A **suspension** is a means of creating temporary dissonance by sustaining a note whilst changing the harmony beneath it, normally on a strong beat.

**Terraced dynamics** are a feature of Baroque music in which volume levels shift suddenly from quiet to loud and back again without the use of crescendos and diminuendos.

A **transverse flute** is an instrument which is held horizontally to the side when played rather than vertically to the front like a recorder. The modern flute is a transverse flute.

A **trill** is a rapid alternation between an indicated note and the one above it. Trills may be either diatonic or chromatic. It is indicated by the symbol "tr".

**INSTRUMENTATION**

**rock band:** drum kit with additional percussion, lead and bass guitars, synthesisers, male lead vocals and male backing vocals

**DYNAMICS**

- ▶ **mezzo-forte**
- ▶ **forte** in the choruses



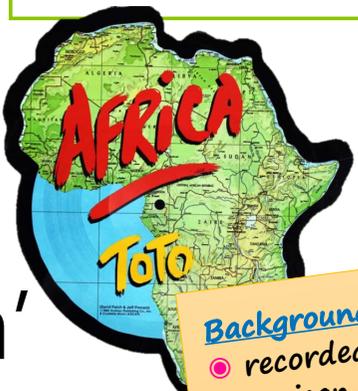
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**TEMPO**

moderately fast

**HARMONY**

**diatonic** throughout



SINGLE COVER

**TEXTURE**

**homophonic** (melody and accompaniment)

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**'Africa'**

**FORM AND STRUCTURE**

**verse-chorus form:**

intro	Bars 1 – 4	4 bars
verse 1	Bars 5 – 39	35 bars
chorus 1	Bars 40 – 57	18 bars
link 1	Bars 58 – 65	8 bars
verse 2	Bars 14 – 39	26 bars
chorus 2	Bars 40 – 57	18 bars
link 2	Bars 58 – 65	8 bars
instrumental	Bars 66 – 82	17 bars
chorus 3	Bars 40 – 92	22 bars
outro	Bars 93 – 96	4 bars

**TONALITY**

- ▶ mostly B major
- ▶ A major in the choruses

**Background info:**

- recorded in 1981 by American rock band Toto
- from the album *Toto IV*
- written by David Paich and Jeff Porcaro
- soft-rock love song with features of African music

**MELODY**

- ▶ mostly **conjunct**
- ▶ occasional use of **pentatonic scale**
- ▶ the **pitch range** of the vocal line is just less than two **octaves** on the score; vocal **improvisations** in chorus 3 take it beyond this

**RHYTHM**

- ▶ **ostinato** rhythms, consisting almost totally of quavers, with constant use of **syncopation**
- ▶ 2/2 (cut time) throughout

## Toto: Africa

### Background

- Africa is a song recorded by the American rock band Toto in 1981 for their fourth studio album entitled Toto IV. It is a soft-rock love song with features of African music.
- The song was written by band members David Paich (born June 25<sup>th</sup> 1954) and Jeff Porcaro (born April 1<sup>st</sup> 1954 and died August 5<sup>th</sup> 1992).
- Africa was released as the third single from the album on September 30<sup>th</sup> 1982 through Columbia Records. It reached number one in America for a single week on February 5<sup>th</sup> 1983. It also achieved a place in the top ten in the UK, Canada, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand and Switzerland.
- In 2012, Africa was listed by music magazine NME in 32<sup>nd</sup> place on its list of '50 Most Explosive Choruses'.

### The Music

**Instrumentation:** Rock Band: drum kit with additional percussion, lead and bass guitars, synthesizers, male lead vocals and male backing vocals.

**Tempo:** Moderately fast.

**Dynamics:** Most of the song is mezzo-forte whilst the choruses are forte.

**Form and Structure:** Verse / Chorus Form:

<i>Intro</i>	Bars 1 – 4	4 bars
<i>Verse 1</i>	Bars 5 – 39	35 bars
<i>Chorus 1</i>	Bars 40 – 57	18 bars
<i>Link 1</i>	Bars 58 – 65	8 bars
<i>Verse 2</i>	Bars 14 – 39	26 bars
<i>Chorus 2</i>	Bars 40 – 57	18 bars
<i>Link 2</i>	Bars 58 – 65	8 bars
<i>Instrumental</i>	Bars 66 – 82	17 bars
<i>Chorus 3</i>	Bars 40 – 92	22 bars
<i>Outro</i>	Bars 93 – 96	4 bars

**Tonality:** The majority of the song is in B major whilst the choruses are all in A major.

**Harmony:** Diatonic throughout.

**Melody and Pitch:** The melody is mostly conjunct (moving in step) and includes occasional use of the pentatonic scale. The pitch range of the vocal line is just less than two octaves on the printed score, but it is wider on the recording with the vocal improvisations towards the end of the song.

**Rhythm and Metre:** Ostinato rhythms, consisting almost totally of quavers, with constant use of syncopation. The time signature is 2/2 (split common time) throughout.

**Texture:** Homophonic (melody and accompaniment).



rock band instrumentation: lead and bass guitars, drum kit with additional percussion, synthesised xylophones and marimbas, male lead and backing vocals

- Recorded in 1981 for Toto's fourth album *Toto IV*
- Soft rock love song with features of African music

# Africa

8-bar introduction performed on unpitched percussion

diatonic harmony  
homophonic texture

Words and Music by David Paich and Jeff Porcaro

**INTRO**

cut time/alla breve – two minim beats in a bar

Moderately, in 2 moderately fast tempo

Play 4 times

The introduction consists of 8 bars in cut time (2/2). The melody is primarily pentatonic, with a riff labeled 'riff a' in bars 1-2 and 'riff b' in bars 3-4. The accompaniment features 'irregular ostinato groupings' and 'perfect 4ths' in the bass line. Chords G#m and C#m are indicated above the staff. A dynamic marking of *mf* and the word 'syncopation' are noted in the first bar.

**B major:** bVII

vi ii

**VERSE 1 / 2**

3-bar phrase

←--- irregular 9-bar phrase ---→

The first line of the verse (bars 5-8) features a 'conject melody; low pitch; syllabic; syncopated' line. The lyrics are 'I hear the drums ech-o - ing to-night. She hears on - ly whis'. Chords B, D#m, G#m, and B/F# are indicated. The second line (bars 9-12) has lyrics '- pers of some qui-et con-ver-sa - tion.' and chords A/E, E/F#, G#m, and A. A '1-bar harmonic rhythm' is noted in the first bar of the second line. Roman numerals I, iii, vi, and Ic are shown below the bass line.

5-bar phrase

The third line of the verse (bars 13-16) continues the melody. The lyrics are '- pers of some qui-et con-ver-sa - tion.' Chords A/E, E/F#, G#m, and A are indicated. A 'riff a' is marked in bars 15-16. Roman numerals bVIIc, V9d, and vi are shown below the bass line.

2 [same musical features as previous 9 bars]

14

8

She's co-ming in twelve thir-ty flight. Moon-lit wings re -  
The wild dogs cry out in the night as they grow rest - less,

Countermelody 2nd time only conjunct

B D#m G#m B/F#

*verse 2 only:* harmonised backing vocals on Ooo before joining the lead singer for the last word of each phrase

18

8

flect the stars that guide me t'ward sal - va - tion.  
long-ing for some sol - i - tar - ry com - pa - ny.

A/E E/F# G#m A G#m C#m

[same musical features as previous 9 bars]

*verse 2 only:* more vocal harmonies in 4<sup>ths</sup> and 3<sup>rds</sup>

23

8

I stopped an old man a-long the way, hop-ing to find some  
I know that I must do what's right, sure as Kil - i-man ja - ro

B D#m G#m B/F#

27

old for-got - ten words\_\_\_ or an-cient mel - o - dies.  
ris-es like\_ O-lym - pus a-bove the Ser - en-get - i.

A/E E/F# G#m A G#m C#m

melody starts an octave higher than before;  
harmonised a 3<sup>rd</sup> below

32

He turned to me\_\_\_ as if\_\_\_ to say,\_\_\_ "Hur - ry boy, it's  
I seek\_ to cure\_\_\_what's deep\_ in - side,\_\_\_ fright-ened of\_\_ this

B D#m G#m

I iii vi

regular 4-bar phrases  
solo

CHORUS 1 / 2 / 3

36

wait - ing there for you."\_\_\_ It's gon-na take a lot  
thing that I've\_ be-come.\_\_\_

A riff a G#m C#m F#m

f

A major: vi

4 first three phrases use tonic and leading note only; syllabic; syncopated duet

41

to drag me a way from you. There's noth-ing that a

D A E F#m

1-bar harmonic rhythm

45

hun-dred men or more could ev-er do. I bless the rains

D A E F#m

three-part harmony

49

down in Af - ri - ca. Gon-na take some time

D A E F#m

To Coda

53

to do the things we nev - er had.

D A C#m E

melismatic

iii V

LINK 1 / 2

[repeat of the music stated in the intro]

57

Ooh, hoo.

F#m E/G# A G#m C#m

mf

61

A G#m C#m

four-bar, pentatonic, falling melody based on riff B, with the notes falling into groups of three

INSTRUMENTAL

65

B D#m G#m

4-bar phrase

accompaniment based on the verse

triplet

69

B/F# A/E

ascending and descending melody using the E major scale which contains more rhythmic variety than the first

ascending melody using the B major pentatonic scale with the notes falling into groups of three grace notes and syncopation

6 5-bar phrase

73

8

A G#m C#m B D#m 3-bar phrase

77

8

G#m A G#m C#m

"Hur-ry boy, she's wait-ing there for you." —

CHORUS 3 cont.

82 D.S. al Coda Coda

8

I bless the rains down in Af - ri - ca.

F#m D A

f

in chorus 3, there is an additional guitar melody; additional repeats; and solo vocal improvisations

86

8

E F#m D A

Gon-na take some time to do the things we nev - er

Play 4 times

OUTRO

Sing 1st time only

90

had. Ooh, hoo.

C#m E F#m E/G# A

*mf*

[repeat of the music stated in the intro]

the texture is gradually reduced

Repeat and fade

94

G#m C#m

*mf*

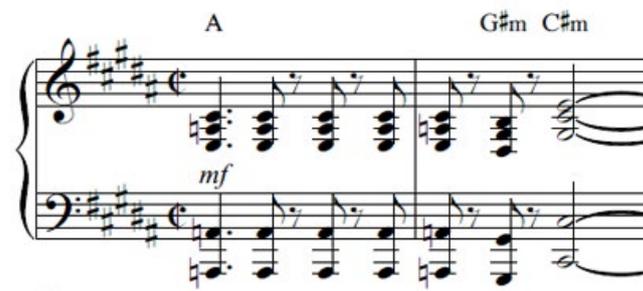
## Toto: Africa

### Musical Analysis

*Intro*                      Bars 1 – 4                      4 bars                      B major

The introduction contains only three chords –  $\text{bVII}$ ,  $\text{vi}$  and  $\text{ii}$  (A, G $\#$ m and C $\#$ m) – and consists of two riffs, both of which last for two bars each.

The first (Riff a – bars 1 & 2) is a distinctive syncopated rhythm pattern mostly repeating chord  $\text{bVII}$  and concluding with chords  $\text{vi}$  and  $\text{ii}$ :



Musical notation for Riff a, bars 1 and 2. The key signature is B major (three sharps). The notation shows a piano accompaniment with a syncopated rhythm. The first bar is labeled 'A' and the second bar is labeled 'G#m C#m'. The dynamics are marked 'mf'.

The second (Riff b – bars 3 & 4 with an anacrusis) uses an ostinato pattern of five notes – based on the E major pentatonic scale – over a sustained chord  $\text{ii}$ :



Musical notation for Riff b, bars 3 and 4. The key signature is B major (three sharps). The notation shows a piano accompaniment with an ostinato pattern of five notes over a sustained chord. The chord is labeled 'C#m'.

With the exception of the Chorus, the first riff makes an appearance in every other section of the song whilst the second is developed in the instrumental section.

Both riffs have their origins in traditional African music with their use of syncopation, pentatonic scale and irregular ostinato groupings that cut across the 2/2 time signature. The instrumental sonorities used on the recording – including xylophones and marimbas – suggest the sounds of pitched percussion instruments which originate from the various countries of the African continent. The recording of the song also includes an additional eight-bar introduction, performed only by unpitched percussion instruments. This is heard before the vocal score begins and contains African influence in its use of layered rhythm parts and ostinatos.

Verse 1            Bars 5 – 39            35 bars            B major

The verse falls into four phrases:

Phrase 1            Bars 5 – 13            9 bars

*I hear the drums echoing tonight. She hears only whispers of some quiet conversation.*

Phrase 2            Bars 14 – 22            9 bars

*She's coming in twelve thirty flight. Moonlit wings reflect the stars that guide me t'ward salvation.*

Phrase 3            Bars 23 – 31            9 bars

*I stopped an old man along the way, hoping to find some old forgotten words or ancient melodies.*

Phrase 4            Bars 32 – 39            8 bars

*He turned to me as if to say, "Hurry boy, it's waiting there for you."*

A nine-bar phrase is an unusual length. The reason for this is that Riff a begins as the vocal line ends in bar 8 each time.

The melody for the first three phrases is also unusual because each one falls into two vocal lines of three and five bars respectively, ending with a silent bar. It is fairly low in the voice, moves conjunctly in a syncopated rhythm and is mostly syllabic.

The harmonic rhythm of the first three phrases is slow and the chords change only once each bar with the exception of the last bar where the end of Riff a's distinctive chord pattern can be heard.

The chord pattern of each of the nine-bar phrases is:

Bar 5	Bar 6	Bar 7	Bar 8	Bar 9	Bar 10	Bar 11	Bars 12 & 13
I (B)	iii (D#m)	vi (G#m)	Ic (B/F#)	♯VIIc (A/E)	iv <sup>°</sup> d (E/F#)	vi (G#m)	Riff a

The final eight-bar phrase begins in exactly the same way as the previous three phrases; however, in the fourth bar the melody begins an octave higher than previously stated and is harmonised by a backing vocalist, moving in parallel motion at an interval of a 3<sup>rd</sup> below.

Harmonically, chord vi (G#m) is sustained for an extra bar. This allows Riff a to be stated in the fifth and sixth bars with chord ii sustaining until the end of the phrase.

The chord pattern of the final eight-bar phrase is:

Bar 32	Bar 33	Bar 34	Bar 35	Bar 36 & 37	Bar 38	Bars 39
I (B)	iii (D#m)	vi (G#m)	vi (G#m)	Riff a	ii (C#m)	ii (C#m)

*Chorus 1*      Bars 40 – 57      18 bars      A major

The chorus also falls into four phrases:

Phrase 1      Bars 40 – 43      4 bars

*It's gonna take a lot to drag me away from you.*

Phrase 2      Bars 44 – 47      4 bars

*There's nothing that a hundred men or more could ever do.*

Phrase 3      Bars 48 – 51      4 bars

*I bless the rains down in Africa.*

Phrase 4      Bars 52 – 57      6 bars

*Gonna take some time to do the things we never had.*

The first phrase is sung as a solo, the second as a duet and the third and fourth in three parts.

The melody for the first three phrases uses only two pitches: the tonic and the leading note. This time it is high in the voice, although as before it uses a syncopated rhythm and is syllabic.

The harmony of the first three phrases has the same harmonic rhythm as the verse. This time, however, a typical pop song chord pattern is used:

Bar 40	Bar 41	Bar 42	Bar 43
vi (F#m)	IV (D)	I (A)	V (E)

The final six-bar phrase begins in exactly the same way as the previous three phrases; however, in the fourth bar both the melody and the chord pattern change in order to prepare the shift back to B major. The melody ends with a melisma and the following chords are used:

Bar 52	Bar 53	Bar 54	Bar 55	Bar 56	Bar 57
vi (F#m)	IV (D)	I (A)	iii (C#m)	V (E)	vi (F#m) / Vb (E/G#)

*Link 1*      Bars 58 – 65      8 bars      B major

This section repeats the music stated during the Introduction; however, the original four-bar section is repeated only once instead of three times.

Verse 2            Bars 14 – 39            26 bars            B major

This verse falls into three phrases:

Phrase 1            Bars 14 – 22            9 bars

*The wild dogs cry out in the night as they grow restless, longing for some solitary company.*

Phrase 2            Bars 23 – 31            9 bars

*I know that I must do what's right, sure as Kilimanjaro rises like Olympus above the Serengeti.*

Phrase 3            Bars 32 – 39            8 bars

*I seek to cure what's deep inside, frightened of this thing that I've become.*

This section repeats the music heard during Verse 1, with different lyrics. However, there are only two nine-bar phrases this time before the final eight-bar phrase brings the section to a close as before. This verse contains a slight change to the melody in bar 33 as the singer leaps up to pitches D# and C# on the words *deep in*.

This verse is accompanied by a countermelody or descant, played on a flute-like instrument, which can be heard across the top of the texture. It changes pitch conjunctly, moving at the same speed as the harmonic rhythm.

The backing vocals also become more important in this verse. In the two nine-bar phrases they enter in the fifth bar, harmonising on *Ooo* before joining the lead singer with the last word of each phrase. The beginning of the second nine-bar phrase is also harmonised by a backing vocalist, initially a 4th higher than the melody, and then continuing a 3rd higher.

Chorus 2            Bars 40 – 57            18 bars            A major

This section repeats the music stated during Chorus 1.

Link 2                Bars 58 – 65            8 bars                B major

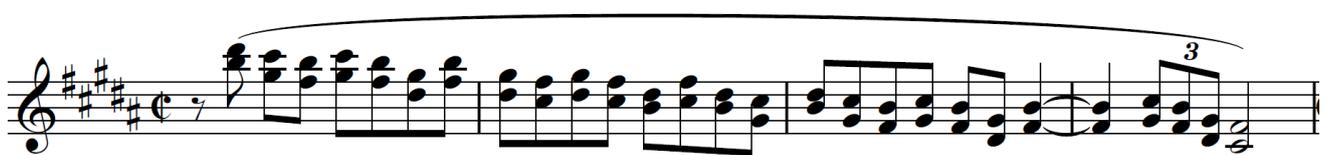
This section repeats the music stated during Link 1.

*Instrumental*    Bars 66 – 82    17 bars    B major

This section is based on the accompaniment heard during the verse; however, the vocal melody is almost entirely replaced with an instrumental melody based on Riff b. Where Verse 2 was a shortened version of Verse 1, this section presents an even shorter statement of the verse with only one nine-bar phrase this time before the final eight bar phrase brings the section to a close as before.

Bars 66 – 69    4 bars (the first half of the nine-bar phrase)

A descending melody using a B major pentatonic scale with the notes falling into groups of three and ending with a triplet:



Bars 70 – 74    5 bars (the second half of the nine-bar phrase)

An ascending and descending melody using the E major scale which contains more rhythmic variety than the first:



Bars 75 – 77    3 bars (the first half of the eight-bar phrase)

An ascending melody, also using the B major pentatonic scale with the notes once again falling into groups of three. This time the phrase ends in a more 'pop' style with the use of grace notes and syncopation:



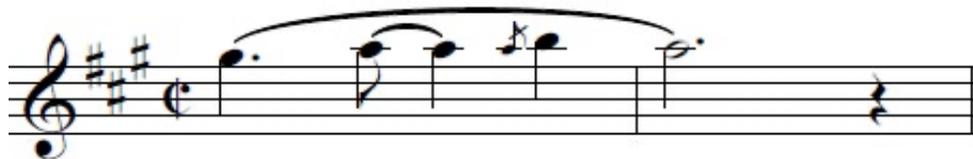
Bars 78 – 82    5 bars (the second half of the eight-bar phrase)

The vocal part resumes at this point with the second half of the original eight-bar phrase: "Hurry boy, she's waiting there for you."

Chorus 3      Bars 40 – 92      22 bars      A major

This section repeats the music stated during Chorus 1 with three notable changes:

1) A new electric guitar riff is heard on the recording in the last bar of each phrase (bars 43, 47, 51 etc):



2) Phrase 3 - *I bless the rains down in Africa* - is heard five times, making this section significantly longer than before.

3) Also, during phrase 3, a solo vocal improvisation is heard at the end of the first, second and fourth repeats. Each one is different, the first two using the lyrics *I bless the rain*, whilst the final one uses, *I'm gonna take some time*.

Outro      Bars 93 – 96      4 bars      B major

This section repeats the music stated during the Introduction. On the recording the music repeats continually and the texture is gradually reduced each time so that by the end the music is reduced to only the rhythm track heard at the beginning of the song accompanied by the bass line of Riff a.

## Glossary

**Grace notes** are additional notes added as decoration. They are not essential to the melody or the harmony.

The **harmonic rhythm** is the rate at which the chords change in a piece of music.

**NME** is the New Musical Express, a British music journalism website and former magazine that has been published since 1952. During the 1970s, it became closely associated with punk rock through the writings of Julie Burchill, Paul Morley and Tony Parsons.

A **pentatonic scale** is a musical scale with five notes per octave, most commonly notes 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6 of the major scale.

A **riff** is a short-repeated phrase in popular music and jazz, typically used as an introduction or refrain in a song.

## Appendix

Whilst the author of this analysis has decided to place much of the content of this song in B major, the key is, in fact, ambiguous and could be interpreted as B major, E major or A Lydian. The Chorus, however, is resolutely in A major.

Centres are free to deliver the analysis through any of these keys and future exam questions will ensure access for all candidates, whichever key is taught.

Riff a	A	G#m	C#m
B major	♭VII	vi	ii
E major	IV	iii	vi
A Lydian	I	vii	iii

Verse	Bar 5 B	Bar 6 D#m	Bar 7 G#m	Bar 8 B/F#	Bar 9 A/E	Bar 10 E/F#	Bar 11 G#m
B major	I	iii	vi	Ic	♭VIIc	iv9d	vi
E major	V	vii#5	iii	Vc	IVc	ii11	iii
A Lydian	II	iv#5	vii	IIc	Ic	vi11	vii

Verse	Bar 32 B	Bar 33 D#m	Bar 34 G#m	Bars 35 G#m	Bars 36 & 37 Riff a	Bar 38 C#m	Bar 39 C#m
B major	I	iii	vi	vi	♭VII – vi – ii	ii	ii
E major	V	vii#5	iii	iii	IV – iii – vi	vi	vi
A Lydian	II	iv#5	vii	vii	I – vii – iii	iii	iii

# Appendix C

## Melody

<b>anacrusis</b>	note or notes that precede the first downbeat of a phrase
<b>conjunct</b>	stepwise melodic movement
<b>disjunct</b>	angular or leaping melodic movement
<b>arpeggio/broken chord</b>	playing the notes of chord one at a time
<b>scalic</b>	ascends or descends (a portion of) a scale
<b>low pitch</b>	notes towards the bass end of the pitch range
<b>high pitch</b>	notes towards the treble end of the pitch range
<b>range</b>	region in which the pitches of a section, part or piece appear, e.g. 'the piano solo employs a wide pitch range'
<b>sequence</b>	repetition of a phrase at a higher or lower pitch
<b>imitation</b>	(loose) copying of a melody in other parts
<b>leitmotif</b>	in opera and film, a musical idea that represents a character, place, item or idea
<b>motif</b>	short, characteristic musical idea that is used prominently within a piece
<b>octave</b>	interval between two notes of the same name
<b>tone/major 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	distance of two semitones
<b>major 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	interval spanning four semitones; distance between the tonic and third note of a major scale
<b>perfect 4<sup>th</sup></b>	interval spanning five semitones; distance between the tonic and subdominant of a major or minor scale
<b>perfect 5<sup>th</sup></b>	interval spanning seven semitones; distance between the tonic and dominant of a major or minor scale
<b>major 6<sup>th</sup></b>	interval spanning nine semitones; distance between the tonic and sixth note of a major scale
<b>major 7<sup>th</sup></b>	interval spanning eleven semitones; distance between the tonic and seventh note of a major scale
<b>semitone</b>	smallest step from one note to another, e.g. C-C#
<b>microtone</b>	intervals smaller than a semitone
<b>chromatic movement</b>	melodic movement by semitones
<b>pentatonic</b>	melody using five notes (of a five-note pentatonic scale)

<b>blue notes</b>	flattened notes, esp. thirds and fifths, typical of blues and jazz
<b>ornamentation</b>	decorative elements added to a melody, especially in classical music
<b>trill</b>	type of ornament where there is rapid alternation between two adjacent notes
<b>mordent</b>	type of ornament where there is a single rapid alternation with the note above or below
<b>appoggiatura</b>	type of ornament which is a 'lean' lasting half the value of the main note
<b>turn</b>	type of ornament where notes sound in the order note above, main note, note below, main note
<b>acciaccatura</b>	type of ornament where a note is played just before the main note
<b>countermelody</b>	melody that sounds against the main melody
<b>answering phrase</b>	phrase that forms a natural pair with an opening phrase
<b>thematic</b>	reusing parts of the theme/main melody
<b>fanfare</b>	short musical idea that introduces something important

## Tonality

<b>major</b>	scale with a T-T-ST-T-T-T-ST intervallic pattern. Generally thought to sound 'bright' and 'happy'
<b>minor</b>	scale with a flattened 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> . Generally thought to sound 'dark' and 'sad'
<b>modulation</b>	moving to a different key (e.g. the dominant or relative minor) during a piece
<b>dominant key</b>	major scale built on the fifth note of the scale
<b>relative major key</b>	major scale 3 semitones above the minor tonic, which shares the same key signature
<b>relative minor key</b>	minor scale 3 semitones below the major tonic, which shares the same key signature
<b>pentatonic</b>	scale comprising five notes

## Harmony

<b>primary chords</b>	chords I, IV and V in a major or minor key
<b>secondary chords</b>	chords II, III and VI in a major or minor key
<b>inversion</b>	placing a note other than the root at the bottom of the chord, e.g. first inversion and second inversion
<b>diatonic</b>	harmony built on the notes of the major and minor scales
<b>tonic</b>	triad built on the first degree of the scale
<b>subdominant</b>	triad built on the fourth degree of the scale
<b>dominant (7<sup>th</sup>)</b>	major triad built on the fifth note of the scale, with the additional seventh note above the root
<b>perfect cadence</b>	cadence of V-I; sounds finished
<b>imperfect cadence</b>	cadence of any chord (often I) to V; sounds unfinished
<b>plagal cadence</b>	cadence of IV-I ("Amen" cadence); a gentle finish
<b>interrupted cadence</b>	cadence of usually V-VI; sounds unexpected
<b>chord progression</b>	series of chords following each other, often outlining a particular key
<b>harmonic rhythm</b>	rate at which the harmony changes, e.g. once per bar
<b>drone</b>	simple harmonic device where one or more notes are held or repeated throughout an extended passage of music
<b>pedal</b>	low held or repeated note, esp. the tonic or dominant, above which the chords may change
<b>dissonance</b>	"clashing" harmony that creates tension, often through the use of intervals such as seconds and sevenths
<b>power chords</b>	chord which uses the root and the 5 <sup>th</sup> (i.e. no 3 <sup>rd</sup> ), often used by rock guitarists

## Form and structure

<b>binary</b>	musical form comprising two contrasting sections (AB)
<b>ternary</b>	musical form comprising an opening section, contrasting section, and repeat of the opening section (ABA)
<b>rondo</b>	musical form comprising several statements of a main theme interspersed with contrasting episodes (ABACA)
<b>minuet and trio</b>	musical form that originally accompanied the minuet dance in 3/4 time. Inner movement of the classical symphony
<b>theme and variations</b>	musical form where a main theme is stated and then varied numerous times to produce the form AA <sup>1</sup> A <sup>2</sup> A <sup>3</sup> etc.

<b>strophic</b>	strophic songs have the same music for each stanza
<b>32 bar song form</b>	musical form used in early popular songs with the form AABA
<b>12 bar blues</b>	popular twelve-bar chord progression using chords I, IV and V
<b>call and response</b>	question and answer phrasing, often between a soloist and group
<b>ostinato</b>	short, repeated musical idea
<b>bridge</b>	linking passage
<b>break</b>	when many parts drop out of the musical texture for a short period of time
<b>loop</b>	short repeated passage, esp. when created electronically
<b>improvisation</b>	piece or part made up on the spot, normally based around an existing stimulus such as a chord progression
<b>verse</b>	section of a song in which the words change but the music stays the same
<b>chorus</b>	memorable, recurring section of a song
<b>middle 8</b>	section towards the middle of a pop song that provides contrast to the verse and chorus
<b>fill</b>	short break in the groove (esp. drums) to fill in the gap between phrases
<b>introduction</b>	opening passage which prepares for the introduction of the main idea
<b>outro</b>	concluding section, esp. in popular music
<b>coda</b>	section sometimes added at the end of a piece, esp. in classical music
<b>riff</b>	short, memorable passage of music that is repeated, esp. in popular music
<b>phrasing (regular and irregular)</b>	makeup of musical sentences, comparable to written or spoken phrases, whether regular (e.g. two- or four-bars long) or irregular

## Texture

<b>monophonic</b>	texture comprising one melody only
<b>homophonic</b>	chordal or melody and accompaniment texture
<b>polyphonic</b>	lit. 'many sounds'; more than one melody sounding at the same time or entering at slightly different times so that melodic lines overlap
<b>2, 3 or 4 part textures</b>	textures can be described by the number of independent parts

<b>unison</b>	more than one part playing the same melody at the same pitch
<b>chordal</b>	texture or accompaniment comprising chords
<b>imitation</b>	copying a melody in a different part
<b>melody and accompaniment</b>	texture where a tune is supported by chords
<b>countermelody</b>	melody played in juxtaposition to the main melody
<b>descant</b>	high melody played above the main melody, esp. in Christmas carols
<b>round</b>	type of canon where the melody is repeated at the unison, beginning at different times, e.g. 'Frère Jacques'
<b>canon</b>	parts copy each other in exact intervals, often at the fifth or octave, but on different beats of the bar, e.g. 'London's Burning'
<b>drone</b>	one or more notes are held or repeated throughout an extended passage of music
<b>Alberti bass</b>	type of broken chord accompaniment where the notes sound in the order lowest-highest-middle-highest
<b>stab chords</b>	short chords used to punctuate the music
<b>walking bass</b>	bass line often found in jazz, which features a mixture of scales and arpeggios and is usually monorhythmic

## Tempo

<b>allegro/vivace</b>	quickly/lively
<b>allegretto</b>	briskly/rather quickly
<b>moderato/andante</b>	moderately
<b>adagio/lento</b>	slowly
<b>accelerando</b>	gradually getting faster
<b>ritardando/rallentando</b>	gradually getting slower
<b>rubato</b>	lit. 'robbed' time; pulling the tempo around for expressive effect
<b>pause</b>	hold the note or rest for slightly longer than its written value

## Rhythm

<b>semibreve</b>	note with a duration of 4 beats in 4/4 time
<b>minim</b>	note played for $\frac{1}{2}$ the duration of a semibreve (2 beats in 4/4)
<b>crotchet</b>	note played for $\frac{1}{4}$ the duration of a semibreve (1 beat in 4/4)
<b>quaver</b>	note played for $\frac{1}{8}$ the duration of a semibreve ( $\frac{1}{2}$ beat in 4/4)
<b>semiquaver</b>	note played for $\frac{1}{16}$ the duration of a semibreve ( $\frac{1}{4}$ beat in 4/4)
<b>dotted</b>	i) a dot increases the duration of a note by half again; ii) pair of notes consisting of a dotted note and a shorter note, the two together making up a complete beat or number of beats
<b>syncopation</b>	'strong' or stressed note occurs on a part of a bar or beat that would normally be 'weak' or unstressed
<b>swing rhythms</b>	often found in jazz, two notes of the same value (usually quavers) are played with the first lengthened and the second shortened
<b>on the beat</b>	notes placed on the main beats in a bar
<b>off-beat</b>	notes placed on the weak beats of the bar (e.g. 2 and 4 in 4/4) or half-beats
<b>triplet</b>	three notes in the space of two
<b>chaal</b>	characteristic Punjabi rhythm with a swung feel, often found in bhangra
<b>rest</b>	symbol indicating not to play

## Metre

<b>regular</b>	metre comprising a symmetrical sequence of accented beats
<b>irregular (e.g. 5/4, 7/8)</b>	metre comprising an asymmetrical sequence of accented beats, e.g. 5/4 = group of 3 + 2 beats
<b>accent</b>	main beat(s) of the bar played with slightly extra emphasis
<b>simple time</b>	metre where the beat divides naturally into two, e.g. 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4
<b>duple time</b>	metre with two beats in a bar, e.g. 2/4 and 6/8
<b>triple time</b>	metre with three beats in a bar, e.g. 3/4 and 9/8
<b>quadruple time</b>	metre with four beats in a bar, e.g. 4/4 and 12/8
<b>compound time (6/8, 9/8, 12/8)</b>	metre where the beat divides naturally into three, e.g. 6/8, 9/8 and 12/8

## Dynamics

<b>pianissimo</b>	very quietly
<b>piano</b>	quietly
<b>mezzo piano</b>	moderately quietly
<b>mezzo forte</b>	moderately loudly
<b>forte</b>	loudly
<b>fortissimo</b>	very loudly
<b>crescendo</b>	gradually getting louder
<b>diminuendo</b>	gradually getting quieter
<b>sforzando</b>	forceful accent

## Musical styles

<b>Western Classical tradition</b>	umbrella term for Western art music from the Medieval era to present day
<b>Baroque</b>	period of Western classical music 1600-1750
<b>Classical</b>	period of Western classical music 1750-1820
<b>Romantic</b>	period of Western classical music 1820-1910
<b>chamber music</b>	classical music composed for a small group of instruments
<b>jazz</b>	style of music with its roots in blues and ragtime, characterised by swing, blue notes, improvisation and syncopation
<b>blues</b>	musical genre and form with its roots in African-American work songs and spirituals
<b>musical theatre/musical</b>	type of theatrical performance that combines songs, spoken dialogue, acting and dance
<b>film music</b>	music written to accompany film
<b>rock</b>	electric-guitar-based genre that emerged from rock and roll in the 1950s
<b>soul</b>	musical style that emerged in the 1950s and early 1960s, which combines elements of African-American gospel music, rhythm and blues and jazz
<b>hip-hop</b>	culture and art movement created by African Americans and immigrants in the Bronx, New York City, featuring rapping and Djing

<b>reggae</b>	style of music that originated in Jamaica in the 1960s, usually characterised by bass riffs and off-beat chords
<b>ballad</b>	down-tempo, often piano-driven songs about love with emotive choruses
<b>pop</b>	instant, singles-based music aimed at teenagers which typically dominates the charts
<b>bhangra</b>	fusion of traditional music from the Punjab region of India with other popular styles that emerged in the UK in the 1980s
<b>fusion</b>	combining of two or more different musical styles or genres
<b>minimalism</b>	branch of modern classical music developed in New York in the early 1960s characterised by limited musical materials, such as repetition, steady drones and consonant harmony

## Sonority

<b>Instruments, voices and groupings</b>	
<b>strings</b>	orchestral family which includes the violin, viola, cello, double bass and harp. Sound is produced by bowing or plucking a string to make it vibrate
<b>woodwind</b>	orchestral family which includes the flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone and bassoon. Sound is produced by blowing air over a sharp edge
<b>brass</b>	orchestral family which includes the trumpet, French horn, trombone and tuba. Sound is produced by blowing down a tube and vibrating the lips
<b>percussion</b>	orchestral family which includes the timpani, drum kit, snare drum, cymbals, glockenspiel and xylophone. Sound is produced by hitting or scraping with a beater/hand
<b>tabla</b>	Indian pair of hand drums of differing sizes. The hand, palm and fingers are used in various ways to vary the sound
<b>dhol</b>	Indian two-sided percussion instrument with treble and bass heads. Played with wooden sticks
<b>keyboard</b>	type of instrument where keys activate the sound, whether acoustically or electronically
<b>piano</b>	keyboard instrument in which keys activate wooden hammers to strike strings
<b>organ</b>	old instrument that uses air moving through pipes to produce sound. Commonly used in church music
<b>harpsichord</b>	keyboard instrument in which keys activate plectrums to pluck strings

<b>guitar</b>	fretted musical instrument that usually has six (classical/Spanish or electric) or four (bass) strings
<b>sitar</b>	Indian plucked stringed instrument with a very distinctive sound. A drone is played on one set of strings and the melody on the other
<b>sarangi</b>	Indian short-neck instrument with three or four main playing strings. Played with a bow and by sliding the fingernails against the strings
<b>tumbi</b>	Punjabi string instrument with a single high-pitched string commonly heard in bhangra
<b>solo/duet/trio</b>	piece for one, two or three (main) performer(s)
<b>soprano</b>	high female voice
<b>alto</b>	low female voice
<b>tenor</b>	high male voice
<b>bass</b>	low male voice
<b>backing vocals</b>	vocal accompaniment distinct from the lead vocal line
<b>a cappella</b>	unaccompanied singing
<b>chorus</b>	large group of singers, esp. when performing with an orchestra, in opera or musical theatre
<b>orchestra</b>	large instrumental ensemble, esp. in classical music
<b>string quartet</b>	chamber group comprising two violins, a viola and cello
<b>basso continuo</b>	group of instruments that accompany the solo instruments by playing the bass line and chords, esp. in the Baroque era. Comprises a chordal instrument (harpsichord, organ or theorbo) and bass register instruments such as the cello, double bass or bassoon
<b>rhythm section</b>	part of a pop or jazz group supplying the rhythm, typically comprising the bass, drums, piano and guitar
<b>acoustic</b>	instruments that produce sound via acoustic means, as opposed to electric or electronic means
<b>Technology</b>	
<b>synthesised/electronic</b>	electronic instruments that can imitate the sound of different acoustic instruments, though the realism varies..!
<b>panning</b>	distributing sounds across the sound field, i.e. the left and right speakers/headphones
<b>phasing</b>	electronic process that adds a 'sweeping effect' to a sound
<b>sample</b>	portion of an existing sound recording repurposed in a new song, esp. in hip-hop

<b>reverb</b>	effect that imitates the reflections and dissipation of sounds in different spaces, e.g. a big hall, cave, stadium etc.
<b>echo</b>	effect that will produce echoes of a sound
<b>amplified</b>	an amplifier converts the often barely audible or purely electronic signal of a musical instrument into a larger electronic signal to feed to a loudspeaker, esp. electric guitar amps
<b>Performance techniques/articulation</b>	
<b>humming</b>	producing a wordless tone with the mouth closed, forcing the sound to emerge from the nose
<b>syllabic</b>	singing one note per syllable
<b>melismatic</b>	singing more than one note per syllable
<b>scat</b>	vocal improvisation with nonsense syllables, esp. in jazz
<b>vibrato</b>	regular, pulsating change of pitch, used by singers, string and wind players
<b>falsetto</b>	technique of singing where the voice can access higher notes than usual
<b>belt</b>	singing notes in your head voice range with the power of your chest voice
<b>rap</b>	vocal delivery that incorporates rhyme and rhythmic speech
<b>staccato</b>	detached
<b>legato</b>	smoothly
<b>sustained</b>	held
<b>accent</b>	extra emphasis or stress on the indicated notes
<b>pizzicato</b>	plucking the strings of a string instrument, esp. bowed strings
<b>arco/bowed</b>	playing with the bow
<b>divisi</b>	instruction to divide a single section of instruments into multiple subsections, esp. the violins in an orchestra
<b>double stopping</b>	playing two strings at once
<b>tremolo</b>	rapidly reiterating a note
<b>distortion</b>	alters the sound of an amplified electric instrument, usually by increasing their gain, to produce a "fuzzy", "growling" or "gritty" tone
<b>hammer on</b>	quickly placing a fretting-hand finger down on to the fingerboard behind a fret, causing a note to sound
<b>rim shot</b>	drum stroke in which the stick strikes the rim and the head of the drum simultaneously
<b>slap bass</b>	playing the bass guitar or double bass in a percussive manner
<b>drum roll</b>	sustaining a note through a series of rapidly repeated notes

<b>muted</b>	device added to an instrument to change its sound quality, reduce its volume, or both, esp. on brass and string instruments
<b>glissando/slide</b>	gliding from one pitch to another. Some instruments can do this continuously, e.g. string instruments and trombones, whereas others have to play every pitch very quickly, e.g. the piano
<b>pitch bend</b>	on a synthesiser, using a pitch wheel to continuously vary the pitch of the instrument
<b>plucked</b>	pulling a string, e.g. on a guitar (as opposed to strumming)
<b>slurred</b>	playing the notes without separation. On a string instrument, play the notes in one bow stroke. On a wind instrument, play each note without tonguing
<b>tongued</b>	articulating each note separately, esp. on a wind instrument
<b>detached</b>	playing the notes with separation