

History of Music

Music has been around for many years, probably from when the first humans were around!

The first humans used singing and clapping to make music. Later, things such as bones and sticks were used to make musical instruments.

After many years when there were lots of instruments, humans were able to make an orchestra – different instruments playing different parts of a song.

Many people added words and dance moves to songs as a way to express their feelings or emotions.

As technology got better, so did instruments. This helped us to create new sounds, for example – the electric guitar.

In teams, order the genres from oldest to newest, then order them on the timeline below.

Oldest: _____

Newest: _____

HIP HOP Jazz
Classical
KPOP ROCK POP

1750S

1920S

1940S

1950S

1960S

1980S



To talk about things that have happened in the past we can use words like:

Before and early.

To talk about things that happened afterwards we can use words such as:

After and later.

♪ Singing and clapping was the _____ form of music created by humans.

♪ _____ many instruments were created, we were able to form an orchestra.

♪ Jazz started _____ Kpop music was created.

♪ The Classical era happened _____ the Jazz era.

♪ Hip hop was created _____ the Rock ages.

♪ Surprisingly, Pop music became popular _____, than Kpop music.

Use the words below to fill in the sentences about the history of music.



Word Bank:

Later

After

Earliest

Before

After

Before

With your partner, think of four songs for each part of the timeline.

Songs my parents listened to when they were younger.

Songs I listened to when I was younger.

Songs I listened to this year



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