

# Music—Year 5—Livin On A Prayer

## Listening



### Livin On A Prayer (Rock)

**Structure:** Intro, verse 1, bridge, chorus, intro, verse 2, bridge, chorus, guitar solo, bridge, chorus.

**Instruments/voices you can hear:** Lead vocal, electric guitar, bass guitar, drums, keyboard.

#### Can you find the pulse as you are listening?

Is the tempo fast, slow or inbetween?

Dynamics? Texture?

## Musical Activities



### Using glocks and/or recorders

**Warm-up games** play and copy back using up to 3 notes – G, A + B. Bronze: G | Silver: G + A | Gold: G, A + B. challenge. Which challenge did you get to?

**Singing** in unison.

**Play instrumental parts** with the song by ear and/or from notation using the easy or medium part. You will be using G, A + B or D, E, F# + G Which part did you play?

**Improvise** using up to 3 notes – G, A + B. Bronze: G | Silver: G + A | Gold: G, A + B challenge. Which challenge did you get to?

**Compose** a simple melody using simple rhythms choosing from the notes G, A + B or G, A, B, D + E (Pentatonic Scale).

## Perform & Share



Decide how your class will introduce the performance. Perhaps add some choreography? Tell your audience how you learnt this song and why. Record the performance and talk about it afterwards.

#### The performance will include one or more of the following:

- Improvisations
- Instrumental performances
- Compositions

## About this Unit



**Theme:** Rock anthems.

#### Facts/info:

- Livin' on a Prayer is a Rock song that was released in 1986.
- The words tell us about life in the 1980's.

#### Listen to 5 other rock songs:

- We Will Rock You by Queen
- Smoke On The Water by Deep Purple
- Rockin' All Over The World by Status Quo
- Johnny B. Goode by Chuck Berry
- I Saw Her Standing There by The Beatles

## Vocabulary

rock	bridge	dynamics	improvise
structure	backbeat	chorus	compose
pulse	amplifier	bridge	
rhythm	tempo	riff	
pitch	texture	hook	

## Reflection

What did you like best about this Unit? Why?  
Was there anything you didn't enjoy about it? Why?

Did you have any strong feelings about it? Were you proud of yourself, happy or annoyed?

#### What are the 'style indicators' of Rock music?

How do you know this is Rock music?