rhythm

Combinations of long and short sounds that convey movement.



duration

The length of a sound.



pitch

How high or low a sound is.



tempo

The speed of the music.



pulse

The underlying steady beat of music. This is what we may tap our foot or clap along with.



beat

The basic unit of time within music.



timbre

The particular tone that distinguishes a sound or combination of sounds.



texture

The layers of sound in a musical work and the relationship between them.



melody

A sequence of notes and rhythms.



structure

Refers to the way a piece is built and what order sections are in.



harmony

The sounding of two or more notes at the same time.



dynamics

The variation in loudness between notes or phrases.

