Year 1 Rhythmic Skills 2 Week 2

Learning Intention

Echo 4/4 rhythms to the background of a beat

Match 4-beat ostinatii - repeating rhythm patterns

Introduction

Children echo single then double 4/4 rhythms using ta, titi, sa and ta-a. They say the appropriate Kodaly phrases out loud at first and then silently - in their heads.

Main Activity

Clap a few easy ostinatii and have the children join in. Base these on already known Kodaly words, eg ta ta titi ta, ta ta titi ta, ta ta titi ta ...etc! Make sure they all stop when you say 4,3,2,1 stop!

Now tell children how many times to perform each ostinato. For example, ask them to copy your single rhythm four times, making a 4-bar ostinato. Eight times would be an 8-bar ostinato, and so on. So...

Teacher: 'titi titi ta ta'

Repeat this activity using small and large percussion.

Divide the class into two groups. Tap out a single rhythm for the drums to copy four times (4-bar ostinato). On the fourth cycle, tap out a different rhythm for the small percussion (claves, woodblocks) to copy four times. Again, on the fourth cycle, tap

Resources

Drums Woodblocks Claves

Targets

Children focus on counting to finish their ostinato at the right time

Evaluation

out a different rhythm for the drums... and so on. So...

Group 1	Teacher	Group 2
titi ta titi ta		
titi ta titi ta		
titi ta titi ta		
titi ta titi a	ta titi ta ta	
		ta titi ta ta
		ta titi ta ta
		ta titi ta ta
	ta sa ta-a	ta titi ta ta
ta sa ta-a		
ta sa ta-a		
ta sa ta-a		
ta sa ta-a	ta-a titi ta	
		ta-a titi ta

Plenary

Add a third group to the above activity – tambourines perhaps...