

Year 4: Samba and carnival sounds and instruments (South America)

Musical style: Samba



Samba is a Brazilian music style which forms a part of everyday life in Brazil. It is used for celebrations, including the Rio Carnival, and even in football! It is a style of music which layers syncopated rhythms on multiple percussion instruments.

Instruments

Untuned percussion

Percussion instruments you **cannot** play a tune on.

Agogo



Caixa



Chocahlo



Ganza



Repique



Surdo



Tamborim



Vocabulary

Rhythm

A pattern of long and short sounds (and silences) within a piece of music.

Syncopation

A type of musical rhythm in which the strong notes are not on the beat.

Off-beat

The beats in between the ones you would naturally clap on.

Break

A four or eight beat rhythm which is usually played once or twice.

