

Year 7 AP2 – Performing Arts

How to revise:

- Practising your dance skills when at home.
- Using your knowledge organisers to recap the knowledge that you have learnt about in lessons.
- Watching different examples of Musical Theatre such as:
 - Hairspray is set in the 1960's in Baltimore and tells the story of a young girl named Tracy whose dream is to dance on The Corny Collins Show. Tracy wins a role on the show leading to social change as she campaigns for the show's integration. Dance styles in Hairspray are line dancing and rock and roll.
 - Mary Poppins the musical is based on the 1964 Disney film. Mary Poppins tells the story of a magical nanny that looks after two children in London. Styles used in Mary Poppins is, Jazz, Tap and Contemporary.
 - Greatest Showman is a film musical created in 2017 inspired by the story of famous entertainer, P.T Barnum who created the circus stage to show never-seen-before live acts. Styles of dance used are, jazz, hip hop and acro.

Additional Information:

What is Musical Theatre?

A musical is a genre of theatre which includes dancing, singing and acting to tell a story. Musicals can be both a live theatre performance for example, Les Mis, Singing in the Rain, Wicked or a film such as Grease and Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Musicals were first performed in 1800s where a combination of ballet, acrobatics and short, dramatic scenes were performed. Eventually music was incorporated moving into 1900's

Revision list:

Key Features of Musical Theatre:

Large ensemble
Catchy Music
Narrative Structure
Extravagant set and costume
Combination of Dance, Drama and Music
Non naturalistic

Choreographic Devices

Canon = Performing the same movement one after another.

Unison = Performing the same movement at the same time

Formation = The position you stand in to perform.

Levels = The height at which you perform your movement

Repetition = Repeating the same movement or phrase more than once

Accumulation = Dancers gradually joining in with the dance moves until performing together as one.

Pathways = How you travel from one place to another using a pattern.

Physical and Performance Skills

Extension	Timing
Stamina	Musicality
Coordination	Facial Expressions
Posture	Dynamics