

Good Vibrations

Learning about new, interesting global music can make you a better musician by introducing new styles, forms, and instruments. Take some time to listen to some new music. Ask your parents and neighbors about the music they grew up with. Change your streaming station. Do some outside research.

“For me, genres are a way for people to easily categorize music. But it doesn’t have to define you. It doesn’t have to limit you.” - Taylor Swift

Music is everywhere. Music is playing constantly throughout our lives and all over the world. Everything we hear influences how we think. This assignment is meant to translate what you learned by listening to new genres of music into the actual music you play.



Create:

Think back to all the new genres of music you have listened to and learned about. Now play some. Use your instrument, your voice, or items found in everyday life. Have a free-form practice and just play!



Record/upload:

Record a video or audio clip of you practicing your new musical style. Feel free to play (or play along) to one of the songs you heard.

Start your clip with a brief introduction: your name, style of music, and what you will be playing. Clips must be at least 2min in length.

With each option, HAVE FUN! This assignment is meant to showcase your unique creativity. Your technical skill is not being evaluated here--it's all about your creativity and willingness to try a new style!

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