LESSON PLANNER - Rachel Hocking

Year/ Level: Stage 4

(Year 7)

Syllabus topic: Tone Colour - introduction to musical instruments

Lesson Topic: "The world sends us garbage, we send back music".

| Students' characteristics: low ability/average ability/high ability/mixed | Duration (60 minute |
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| ability | max): |
| Mixed ability | 60 minutes |

Prior knowledge/skills required:

Basic understanding of tone colour and orchestral instruments.

Resources:

IWB/screen and speakers; student laptops or classroom computers; internet access; websites www.landfillharmonicmovie.com, www.choirofhopeandinspiration.com, www.resound.org.au, worksheets 'Musical Instruments - instrument details' (from http://www.musicfun.net.au/pdf files/instruments.pdf)'Plan for making a musical instrument' (as attached), paper/pens/pencils; whiteboard; whiteboard markers; handmade Kalimba (example attached).

Assessment of learning:

Monitoring of class activities through worksheets and discussion (informal assessment). Student presentation and submission of plan (formal assessment).

Learning outcomes:

4.7 demonstrates an understanding of the musical concepts through listening, observing, responding, discriminating, analysing, discussing and recording musical ideas; 4.8 demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through aural identification and discussion of the features of a range of repertoire; 4.10 identities the use of technology in the music selected for study, appropriate tot he musical context.

Students learn to:

- plan a large project
- make a musical instrument
- use found sources creatively
- critically think about the value of music and people

Students learn about:

- instrument components and their relationship to the concept of tone colour
- other cultures, world music, and their musical use of recycled materials/invention
- instrument classifications
- inequality in society

| Timing | Lesson content | Student activity | Teacher activity |
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| 5 mins | Gaining attention: quick 2 minute revision quiz on musical instruments | Students work in pairs to fill in a worksheet on music instruments and their components. | Teacher times 2 minutes via a stopwatch, monitors student participation and revises answers. |
| 3 mins | Expectancy: explain activity to devise a plan to build an instrument from recycled materials | Students listen and ask necessary questions about the activity. | Teacher clearly explains activity, timeline for planning/building a musical instrument, and expectations of quality. |
| 2 mins | Prior learning: revise components of a musical instrument needed to make a sound | Students listen and offer answers to teacher questions. | Teacher asks students for instrument components (eg soundboard, resonator etc), draws answers on board, explains what isn't understood. |

| 5 mins | Stimulus: landfillharmonic video about an orchestra in a poor community made from recycled instruments. | Students watch video. | Teacher plays video landfillharmonicmovie.com and monitors student engagement. |
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| 10 to 15 mins | Discussion: response to video, world issues on inequality and sustainability, local examples of musical leaderships in communities with challenges. | Students ask questions, offer information, anecdotes about music in their life. | Teacher facilitates student discussion from the video that covers comprehension of the video, as well as addresses student comments. Teacher poses the questions: "how do our actions impact negatively on other communities"; "what are some examples of how music has been used to help a community?" Refer to further sources such as music in the Villawood detention centre musicforrefugees.org, the Choir of Hardknocks www.choirofhopeandinspiration. com and the Resound instrument appeal resound.org.au |
| 5 mins | Learning guidance: worksheet for planning to make an instrument. | Students work in pairs, using the planning sheet. | Teacher introduces the planning sheet, outlines how the sheet is to be filled in, monitors student activity. |
| 15 mins | Providing feedback: monitoring progress and further learning through online research of examples of recycled instruments. | Students work online to research plans on how to make a recycled instrument eg Pinterest, online music instructions | Teacher guides and monitors student research. |
| 5 mins | Assessing performance: discussion of plans | Students quickly show their ideas/plans to the class. Peers provide feedback. Students submit their written plan (completed worksheet). | Teacher guides and provides feedback or stimulates discussion through questioning. |
| 5 mins | Enhancing retention and transfer: demonstrate previously made instrument and further discuss next steps. | Students think about next step, where to get materials to make their musical instrument. Students also hand around and play the Kalimba. | Teacher demonstrates components of previously handmade Kalimba, where materials came from. Teacher gives directions for home research in order to use recycled materials for making a musical instrument. |

"The world sends us garbage, we send back music"

Plan for making a musical instrument

| Student names: | | | | |
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| Name of instrument: | | | | |
| Draw a picture of the instrument here: | | | | |
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| Give details about the instrument | | | | |
| Resonator: | | | | |
| Materials needed (must be recycled): | | | | |
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| Size: | | | | |
| Other (eg mallets/bows): | | | | |
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How much time do you think you will need to make this?

Give details about your research (eg web address)

Student samples of kalimbas:

