

Year 6 - Music

Rhythm and Polyrhythms

Term 1



Key Vocabulary

- **Texture** In music, texture refers to how many layers of sound are heard at once, and how they interact (for example, melody and harmony playing together).
- **Ternary Form** A musical structure with three parts: **A–B–A**, where the first and last sections are the same, and the middle section is different.
- **Drone** A long, continuous note or sound that stays the same while other music plays over it.

Sticky Knowledge

The word "gospel" means "good news" and gospel songs often praise God or Jesus.

A key figure in the development of Gospel was **Thomas A. Dorsey** (1899 -1993).

Links to Previous Learning

Year R– explore a range of musical genres.
Year 1/2—distinguish what the composer is trying to convey.

