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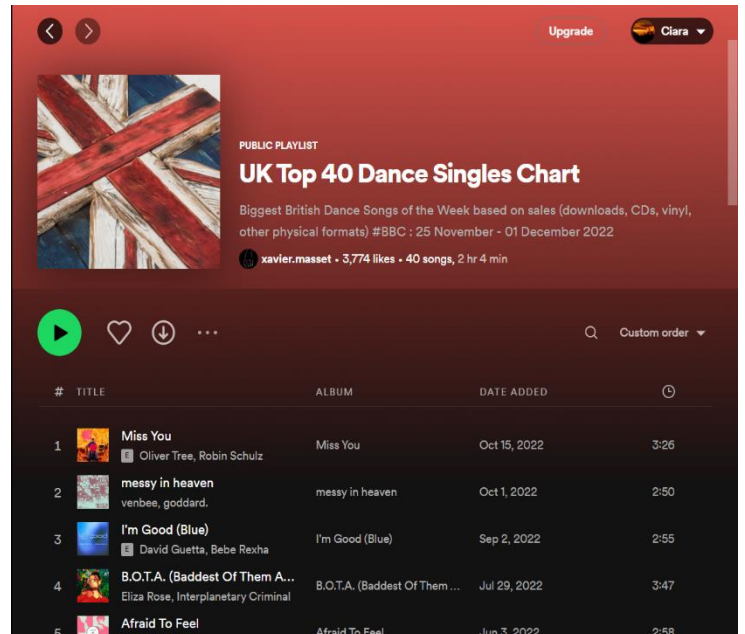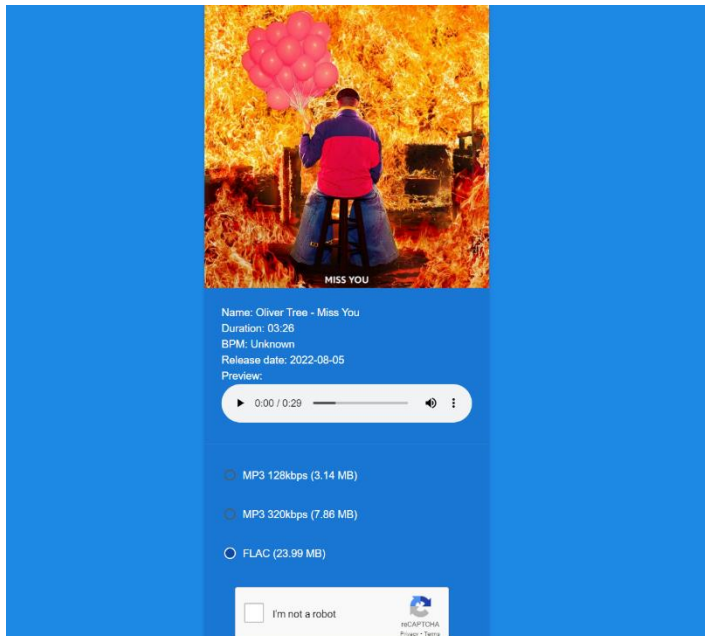
Radio mashup

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I listened to the playlist provided to us and chose three songs I thought would work well together.

Using the website suggested (free-mp3-download.net), I downloaded the three songs with the "FLAC" extension for the best quality.
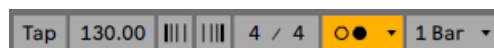
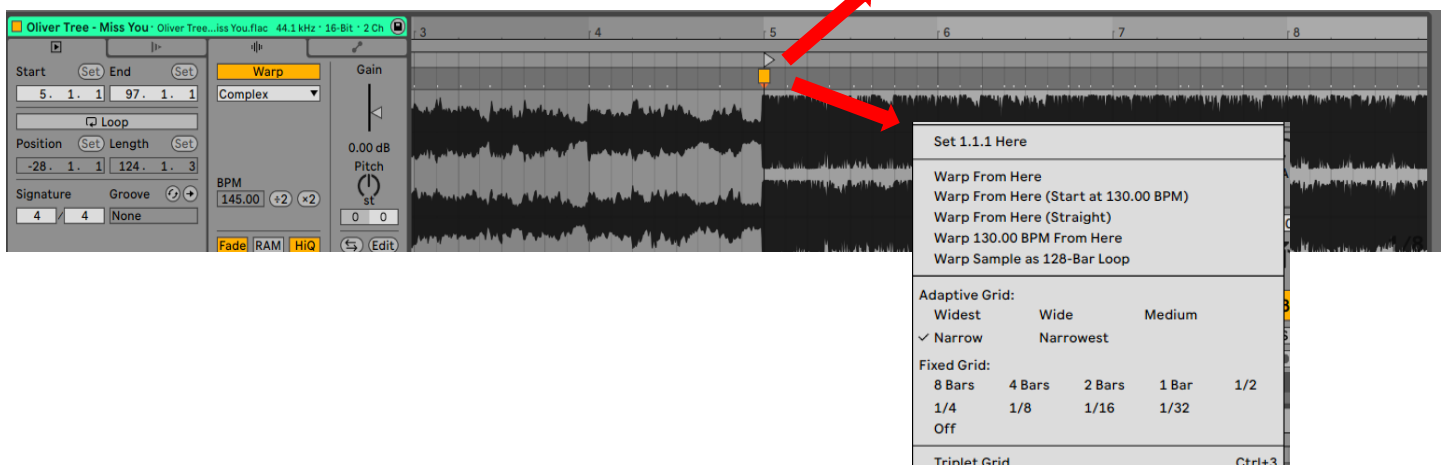I dragged all three songs onto separate tracks in Ableton LIVE.

Following the Youtube video, I found the tempo of each song.

When I'm happy with the tempo I found, I turned on the warp button and placed the warp marker at the beginning of the beat. I then turn on the metronome and listen to see if the song is in sync with it.

I found the first song I chose very difficult to warp right as it began with a double beat. Even after I got help and got it warped, I changed the song as the clipping was also very difficult.
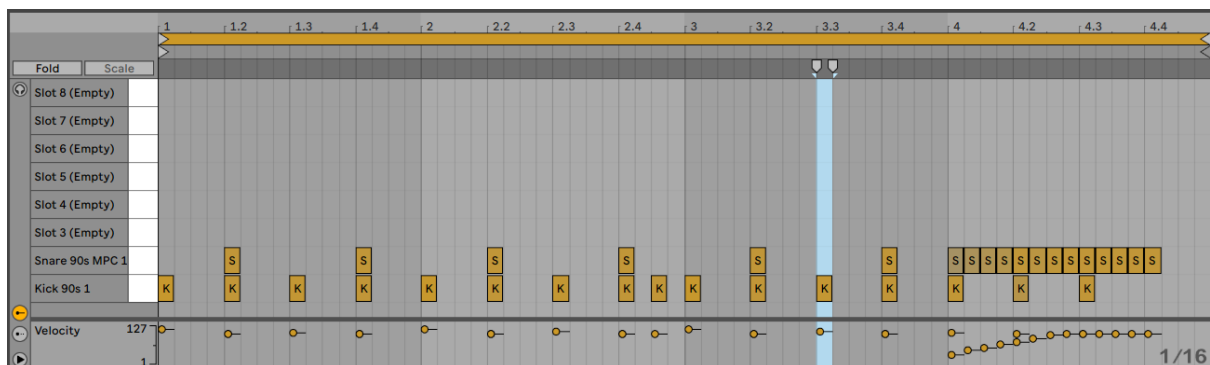
Warp marker

Next, I scrolled through the each of the songs, saving clips I liked and thought would be interesting.

I made sure to name the clips so I knew what they were.

Step three: drum loop

I created a 4-bar drum loop to play through my songs using samples on Ableton

I then played around with the volumes, making the first kick drum the loudest, third slightly quitter, etc.

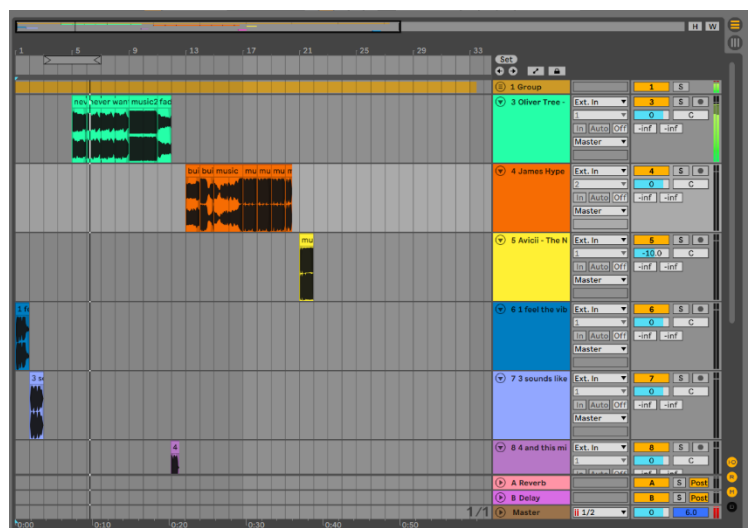## Step four: arrangement view

I added my clips to the arrangement view, messing around with them, seeing what fits together.

I laid down my drum loop for 60 seconds to help keep track of where I was.

I left space for the voice overs and SFX to fit in.

I grouped the songs together so I could adjust
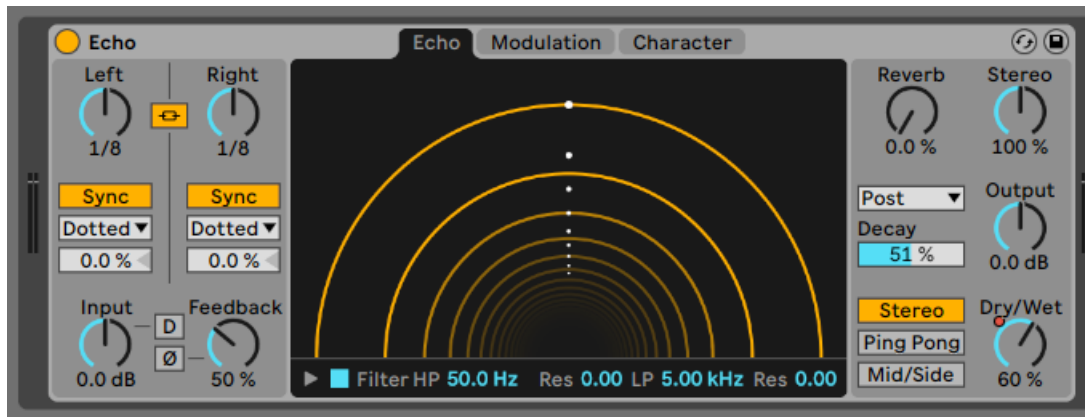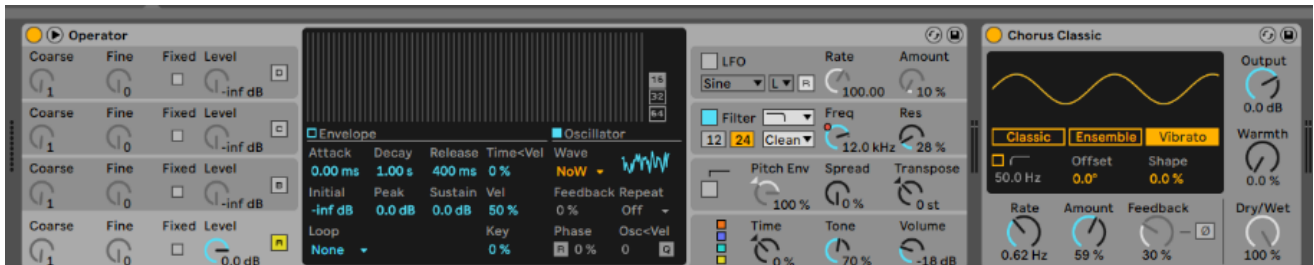
the volume on all of them together.

Step five: VOX

I edited the voice overs in adobe audition before adding them to my arrangement view.

After adding them, I played around with different effects (like reverb and echo) until I was happy with how the voice sounded.

Step six: audio punctuators

Using different audio effects, like chorus, reverb and echo, I created a ramp for the beginning and end of the mashup.

I then began messing around with the automation of each effect until I was happy with how it sounded.

Step seven: final mixdown

Once I'm happy with everything, I export the file as an AIFF file.

I then brought it into adobe audition to match the loudness level to-14 LUFs.