Form, Timbre and Dynamics

MAPEH 6

Musical Composer

Composer – writes music, makes musical forms, which express their feelings or ideas.

Musical composition - the music composed by a composer

Musical Form

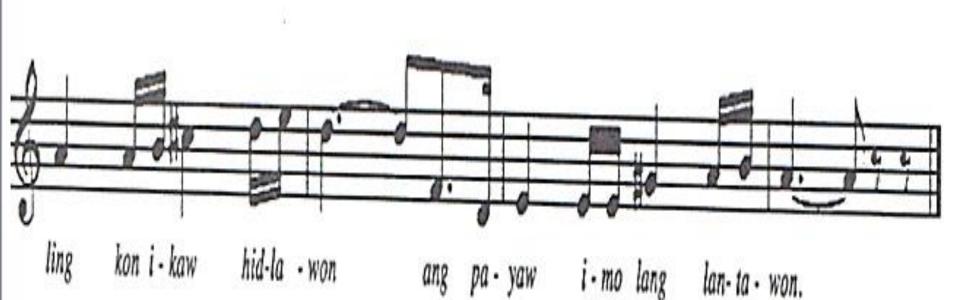
Form in music is the way a musical composition is arranged. This composition could either any musical piece as sung by vocalist or singer or the music created by means of musical instruments.

The Different Musical Forms

1. Unitary form - contains only one section which remains the same all throughout the whole composition.

Example: Dandansoy





2. Binary (AB) - made up of two musical parts or has two different melodic ideas.

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3. **Ternary** - utilizes a three-part form represented by (ABC) and sometimes, the third part is a repetition of the first part represented by (ABA).





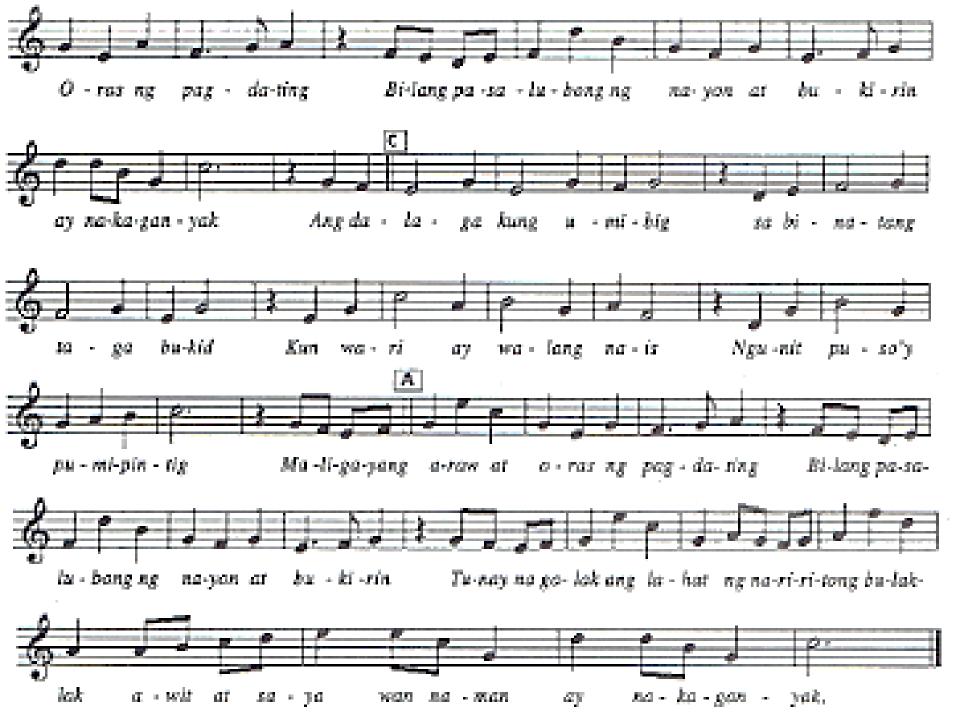
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4. Rondo (ABACA) - made up of five or more musical parts with some repetitions.

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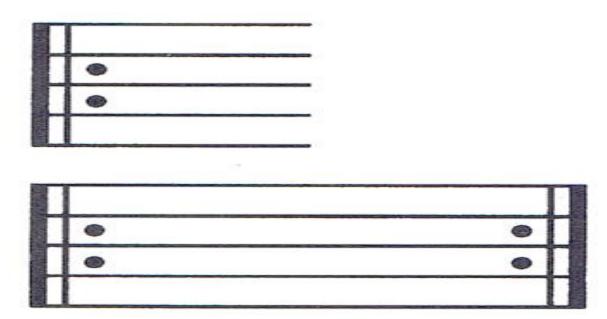
The Different Repeat Marks that are Related to Form

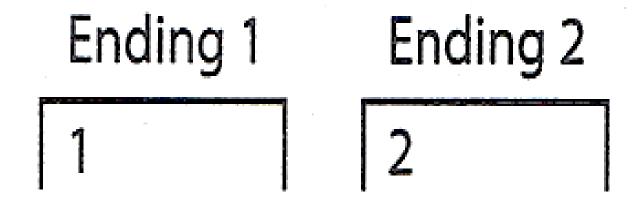
- Da Capo (D.C.) indicates that the musical piece is to be repeated from the beginning of the composition.
- **Dal Segno (D.S.)** indicates that the musical piece is to be repeated from the sign S.
- Da Capo and Dal Segno have the same purpose in repeating the particular sections except in the exact places where to begin. They also end with the word "Fine."

Al Fine - means up to the end.

D.C. al Fine - means that the section is to be repeated from the beginning up to the word "Fine."

It means that the music is to be repeated from the beginning.





This means that the passages between the marks are to be repeated.

What is a choir?



- Choir a group of church singers or singing group
- Choral music refers to a group to sing in a chorus in school or on the stage.
- Harmony the blended different voices or the combination of different voices

The Different Voices

Girls:

Soprano - high voice

Mezzo Soprano

Alto - not as high

Boys:

Tenor - high voice

Baritone -

Bass - very low voice

Leader of a chorus or choir - helps the singers sing together. He/she directs them by waving his/her hands or a stick called a baton.

Classification of Voices

Timbre



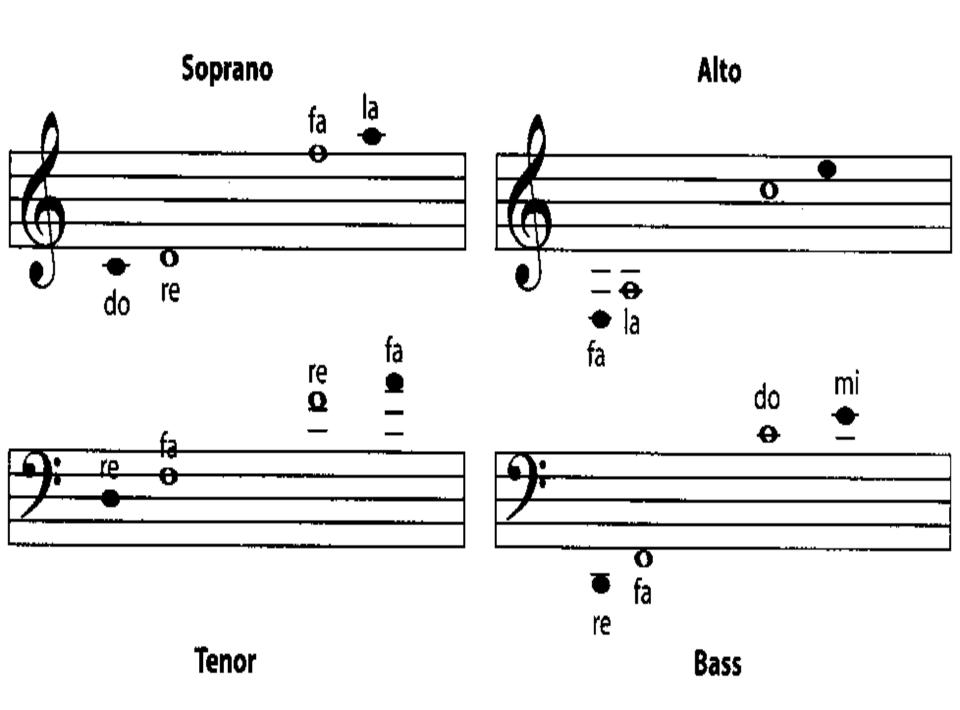
What is timbre?

Timbre is the color of sound produced by the voice and different instruments. A quality of sound that distinguishes one instrument from another.

The human voice is the vital medium of expression. Male and female voices may be classified according to quality and range.

Classification of Voices

Male	Range	Female
Tenor	Highest	Soprano
Baritone	Middle/	Mezzo
	Medium	Soprano
Bass	Lowest	Alto



Did you know that...

The word 'orchestra' came from ancient Greek theaters which refers to the stage and the audience used by the dancers and the musicians? There are basically four sections in the orchestra which is based on the family of musical instruments.

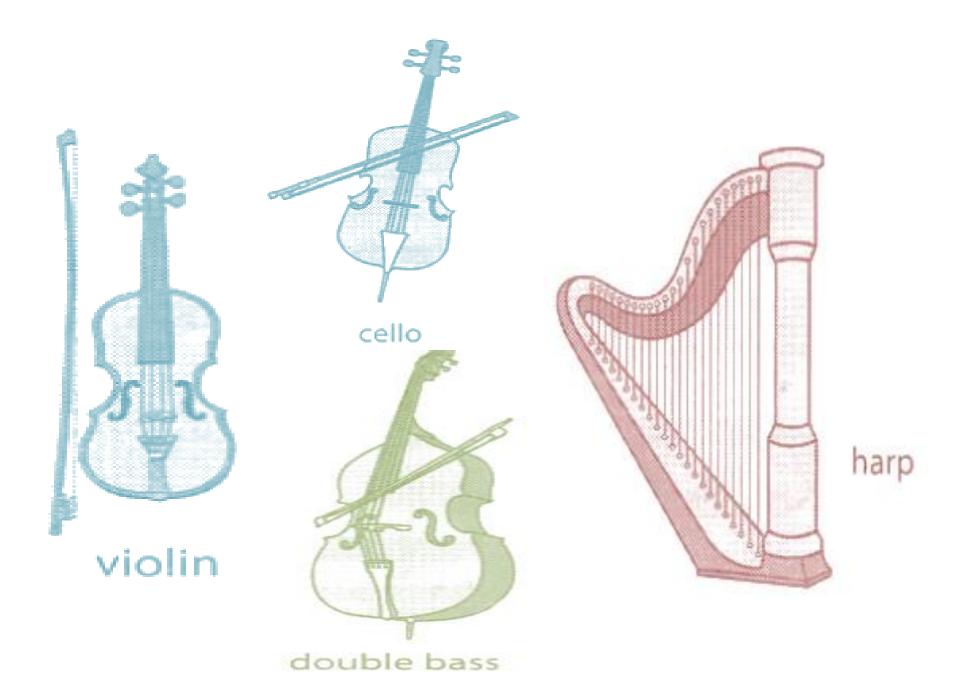
Classification of Instruments

A. String Instruments - are instruments that are plucked or bowed and are often referred to as the "backbone" of the orchestra.

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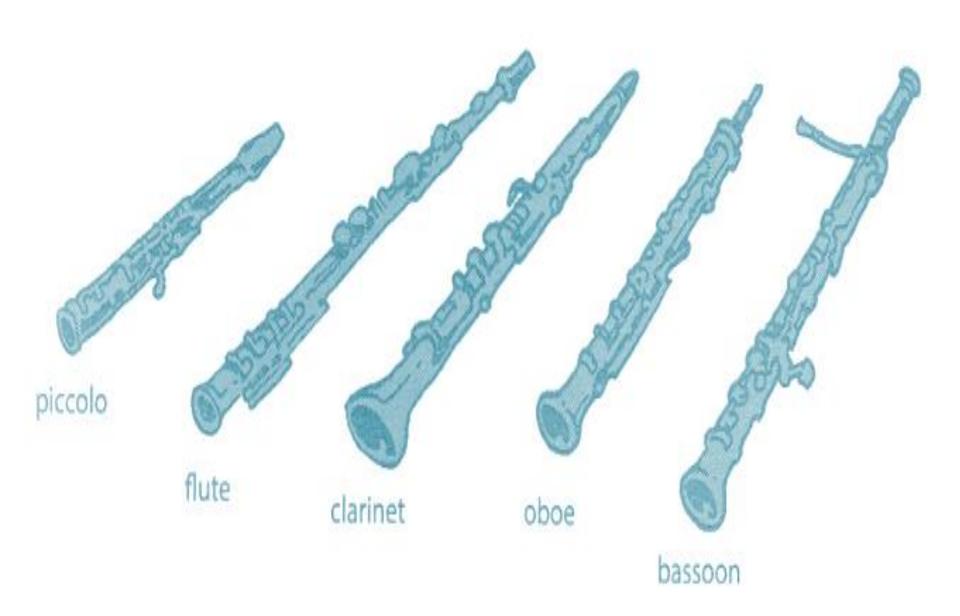
1. Violin - the leader and the heart of the orchestra. Played by moving the bow to and fro across the strings.

- 2. Viola a little larger than violin. It is tuned a fifth lower than violin.
- 3. Cello larger than viola. Held by the player between his/her knees and moves the bow to and fro.
- 4. Double bass largest among the stringed instruments that has the lowest pitch.
- 5. Harp stringed instrument that is played by plucking.



- B. Woodwind instruments produce music when musicians blow the mouthpiece.
- 1. Piccolo is the smallest instrument in the woodwind section. It has a range octave higher than flute.
- 2. Flute has a high range and is really capable of producing fast series of tones.

- 3. Oboe is the most dramatic among the woodwind musical instruments.
- 4. Clarinet is a cylindrical instrument with a cup-shaped mouthpiece and a flaring bell at the end.
- 5. **Bassoon** is called the "clown" of the orchestra for it has a long curving metallic mouthpiece. Its tone is soft and mellow.



- C. Brass instruments are used to produce sound by means of blowing. They are made of brass metal.
- 1. Trumpet is the main instrument of the brass section which has a brilliant and brassy sound.
- 2. Trombone is the only sliding instrument in the brass section that changes pitch in any key.

- 3. French Horn is 12-feet long and sounds more mellow than the trumpet.
- 4. Tuba is the largest in the brass section and has the lowest pitch.



D. Percussion instruments - are played by striking the instruments with sticks or hammer while others are through shaking or rubbing like maracas.

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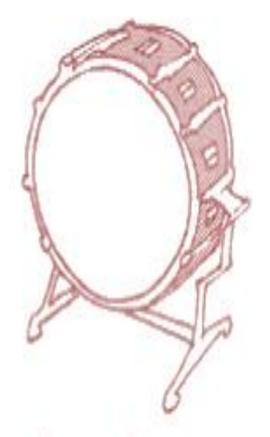
- 1. Timpani
- 2. Snare drum
- 3. Bass drum



timpani



snare drum



bass drum

What is dynamics?

Dynamics - is the degree of loudness and softness of sound.

<u>Dynamics marks</u> - are written above or below the notes that are to be played loud or soft.

Dynamic Signs with Their Meanings

Italian Terms	Symbols	English Terms
Forte	f	Loud
Fortissimo	ff	Very loud
Fortississimo	fff	Very, very loud
Mezzo forte	mf	Moderately loud
Mezzo piano	mp	Moderately soft
Piano	р	Soft

Pianissimo	pp	Very soft
Pianississimo	ppp	Very, very soft
Decrescendo (decreasc)		Decreasing in loudness
Crescendo (cresc)		Increasing in loudness