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Vocabulary:

Book/Libretto - person who writes the text of a musical script or other long vocal work.

Lyricist - A person who writes the words to a popular song or musical.

Composer - person who writes or articulates music.

Premise - A metaphor like 1 sentence goal of the piece. Every character and action is in relationship to this.

SAMPLE PREMISES:

Passionate protagonist with a huge ambition that will take various situations to succeed

A Lyricist Secret Dictionary:

Lyric form:

AABA - [Comedy Tonight](#)

ABAB- [It Sucks To Be Me](#)

ABC(D)BA - [Into The Woods](#)

[Rhyming Website](#)

[Janelle Lawrence's Song Building Worksheet](#)

A Composer's Secret Dictionary:

- Melody
- Scales
 - Chromatic
 - Diatonic
- Modes
 - Major
 - Minor
 - Natural : SN - WS- HS - WS-WS-HS-WS-WS

- Harmonic : SN- WS-HS-WS-WS-WS-HS-(WS+HS)-HS
- Melodic : ST - WS-HS-WS-WS-WS-WS-HS
- Intervals
 - Major - PU - M2 - M3 - P4 - P5 - M6 - M7 - P8
 - Minor - PU - M2 - m3 -P4 - P5 - m6 - m7 - P8
 - Perfect intervals tend to sound “open & or hollow”
 - Major intervals sound bigger/further - Minor intervals sound smaller/closer
 - Augment means to increase interval - Diminish means to decrease the interval
- Key Signatures
 - Sharps = F#, C#, G#, D#, A#, E#(Fb), B#(Cb)
 - Flats = Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, Cb(B), Fb(E)
- Harmony
 - Tertian - chords built in thirds (triads)
 - The 3rd & 5th notes of a triad indicate mode
 - Inversions DO NOT CHANGE THE MODE
- Cadence
 - Deceptive - doesn't end on the tonic (or relative tonic)
- Rhythm
- Form



Audio Recording App: [Generic App](#)

Familiarize yourself with:

Some Famous Lyricists are: [Lynn Ahrens](#) - [Lin Manuel Miranda](#) - Sondheim -
“Unified Score” - [Michael R. Jackson](#)

Some Famous Librettist are: Quiara Alegría Hudes - Winnie Holzman - Irene
Mecchi - [Dominique Morisseau](#)

Some Famous Composers are: [Alan Menken](#) - - [Jason Robert Brown](#)

About your instructor:

Janelle is an interdisciplinary artist who specializes in highlighting the complexity and layers to and of our lives. What does it mean to specialize in that? Well, it means they use every tool: music, soundscaping, dialogue, poetry, conversation, body, movement, etc., to present and occasionally replicate the parts of us that are unique, special, and still shared. They have had their musicals, plays, and performance art presented in various theater's in NYC - but they no longer want that to define their artistic depth and experience. They have been crafting stories, examining us (people), and attempting to bring people together their whole life; this is what they do.

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