

Challenge 4 – Remix

Recording, Engineering, and Mixing

For this challenge, you will take an existing song and add your own creative elements. You can use one of the songs I've provided on the student file server, or you can bring in your own song in .mp3 format. You can also create your own song, but you should use something that can be recorded quickly so that you can complete the assignment in a reasonable timeframe.

The requirements of this challenge are as follows:

1. You need to include at least one pre-recorded song in either multitrack or .mp3 format.
2. Your project should have the correct tempo and all items (including the pre-recorded track!) should be synchronized to that tempo.
3. Your song, or at least one track within the song, needs to be “chopped” in several places, with edits or echoes added. (Type an “S” to split a track where the cursor is; use Ctrl+C to copy, Ctrl+X to cut, and CTRL+V to paste.)
4. You need to include at least one track with a virtual instrument (using MIDI loops or programmed MIDI sequences).
5. More credit will be given for incorporating more of your own additions into the original song.

This challenge is designed to be done as quickly as possible! The techniques you use on this assignment are tools that you can explore more fully on your final projects.