Music for Screen: Listening Analysis Grid

Instructions for Students:

- 1. Watch the film clip.
- 2. Complete each column using appropriate music terminology.
- 3. Think carefully about how the music supports the mood and storytelling.
- 4. Use dot points or short phrases.

Examples:

Film & Scene	Instrumentation	Pitch (Melody/Harmony)	Duration (Rhythm/Tempo)	Texture	Dynamics & Expressive Techniques	Structure	Narrative / Emotional Effect
Example 1: Terminator 2 – Opening / Future War	Synthesized metallic sounds, layered synth pads, industrial drums	Minimal melody, repeating motif, dissonant intervals	Slow tempo, mechanical rhythmic pulses	Layered, thick, robotic	Use of reverb, metallic timbre, sudden accents, mechanical tone	Repeating	Evokes dystopia, tension, inevitability, machine dominance
Example 2: Jaws – Opening Scene	Low strings, occasional brass stabs, electronic textures	Repeated 2-note motif, chromatic, minor tonality	Steady pulse, increasing tempo	Thin at first, builds in layers	Crescendos, accents, sudden dynamic shifts	Repetition and variation	Builds suspense, creates fear and anticipation

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