

5 Step Music Activities

SCIENCE & SOUND WITH WATER

This activity teaches how air and size affect the sound produced. It can be scaffolded for a wide range of ages, and used as a starter or an activity for a whole lesson.



01

Hit the side of a glass of water gently with a spoon. What will happen if the volume of water is increased/decreased?

02

Listen to the 'Do Ray Me Fa So'... scale. Sing the first five notes, and allow the pupils to repeat it back



03

Pupils now work in groups and try to arrange five glasses of water to play the 'Do Ray Me Fa So' five-note scale. **They have one chance**

04

Each group to play back their scale. Who was the closest? Students to vote



05

Challenge - Can you play a tune on the glasses? Play Beethoven's Ode To Joy and model on the glasses. Who can play it?