

5 Step Music Activities

MUSIC AND METAPHORS

Metaphors are a device often used in literature. This activity allows children to understand why metaphors are used in music and the impact they have on the listener.

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Play the song **Firework** by Katy Perry. Gradually teach the song to the students. You can use the resource "How to teach a song" to help you



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Ask the pupils to think about the line "You're a firework". **In pairs** have them write out up to five different meanings of what it could be

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Introduce the concept of **metaphors**. Discuss what they are using Firework as an example

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Back in pairs, ask the pupils to identify other metaphors in the lyrics, and explain what they might mean. Encourage a space where all answers are acceptable



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Finally, let the class sing the song. This time, ask them to think about the **metaphors** they have discussed and try to express them in the singing.

