



# OFF THE BEAT

## Reggae & It's Impact

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Off the Beat is a series of lessons investigating the style of Reggae. This style of music is being used a lot by many of the latest Pop artists and it becomes a relevant topic of study. In this series of lessons, the students will be looking at the roots of Reggae, the musical layers and compositional style and techniques as well as the current Pop artists. This particular series of lessons are designed for Years 6—9 but could be adapted for Year 10. It can be taught as a stand alone series or included in a current course of work.

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Off the Beat is divided into two sections—Teacher Lesson Plans and Student Handouts. This resource also comes with an additional Classroom Arrangement Pack for “I Got You Babe” as performed by UB40.

The student handouts are marked as “Photocopyable Masters” and are allowed to be photocopied for students on place on an electronic whiteboard for display to the students.

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The Classroom Arrangement of “I Got You Babe” as performed by UB40 is not allowed to be photocopied. It must be used by the students and collected back at the end of the process.

# SEQUENCE OF TASKS.

NO	ACTIVITY	P	C	M	A	REGISTER
1	WHERE DID IT COME FROM?					
	PPT Presentation			®	®	
	PRACTICAL: different rhythms	®				
	What do you remember?			®		
2	THE LAYERS OF REGGAE MUSIC					
	LISTENING: Love is the Seventh Wave—You Tube			®	®	
	PRACTICAL: Reggae layers—Three Little Birds	®		®		
	LISTENING / DISCUSSION: Three Little Birds				®	
3	BUFFALO SOLDIER					
	DISCUSSION: Lyrics			®	®	
	PRACTICAL / COMPOSITION: Buffalo Soldier	®	®			
	LITERACY: Sorting Chronologically			®		
4	HOW TO USE THE ELEMENTS					
	QUIZ: Who Belongs Where?			®		
	LISTENING: Every Breath You Take			®	®	
	PRACTICAL: Lean On Me	®	®		®	
7	I GOT YOU BABE					
	PRACTICAL: Classroom Arrangement	®				
	ARRNAGING: Rearranging o f song	®	®	®		
8	REGGAE & IT'S CONTEMPORARIES					
	LISTENING / DISCUSSION: Dreadlock Holiday and others			®	®	
	RESEARCH: Group task			®		
	COMPOSITION: Create your own Reggae song	®	®			
	STUDENT TEST ON REGGAE			®	®	