

Singing to perform in the Christmas concert

Key composer, genre and instruments

The Gypsy Kings are a group with a special mix of pop, flamenco and salsa music they created themselves. They are from the south of France but they sing in Spanish dialect called Gitane, which is a mixture of Spanish and French.



They formed as a group in 1978 and were very popular for 25 years. They have toured the world and mainly use guitars and voices for their music.

Their most famous hits are *Bamboleo* and *Volare*. *Volare* means 'I will fly' in Spanish.



Key Skills

- Singing in tune with expression
- Memorising lyrics
- Clear pronunciation of lyrics
- Good posture for singing
- Performance skills - open mouths, smiling, actions in unison



Relevant songs

- Bamboleo, Volare - The Gypsy Kings**
- Carol of the Bells -Ukraine: Mykola Leontovych.**
- Songs from the Musical Children of the World:** Gabriel's calling, Alleluia, Little Star, Tree of Light, Christmas day on the Beach, Come to the Manger (Gospel choir style), Light a Candle, Children of the World

Key Vocabulary

lyrics	The words in a song.
posture	Standing position.
concert	People singing or performing instruments on a stage for an audience.
guitar	A six stringed instrument.
flamenco	A kind of Spanish music and dance using guitars and sometimes castanets.
line dancing and country music	Country music is popular in the USA. It is a kind of folk music with guitars and violins. People dance in lines to this music.
solo	One person singing on their own.



A gospel choir