

Learning to play recorder and read music

Key composer, genre and instruments

James Brown (1933-2006)

James Brown was an American singer, songwriter, dancer, musician, record producer and bandleader. He is a major figure of 20th century music and invented the genre of funk music.



Genre-funk

Funk music is dance music that mixes rhythm and blues music with soul music. Funk bands use many rhythm instruments, such as **electric guitar, bass guitar, drums, and keyboard instruments.**

Hits

His biggest hit is the very famous: 'I got you ', or more often know as 'I feel good'. He wrote and sang 17 songs that reached number 1 in the 1960s, 70s and 80s. His music is still very recognisable and popular today!



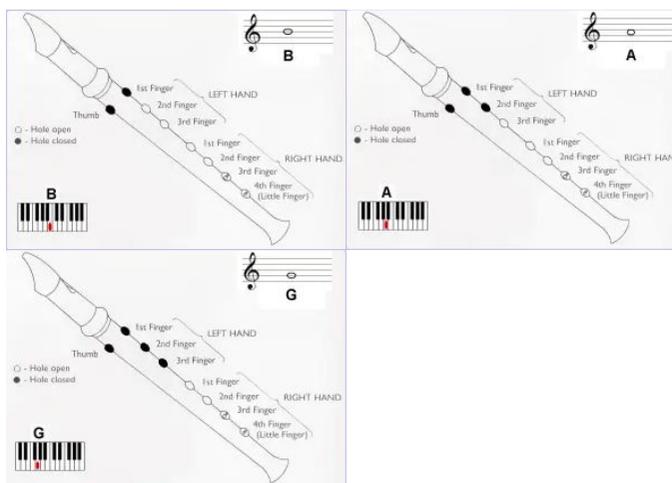
Key Skills

- Hold the recorder correctly, left hand at the top.
- Cover holes by squeezing them gently.
- Blow gently making a 'tuh' sound.
- Read notes B, A and G on a stave.
- Recognise other music symbols: rests.
- Keep in time with the music.
- Recognise a crotchet, quaver, minim, semibreve with the correct length.

Relevant songs

James Brown:
I got you (II feel Good)
Get up Offa that thing
Say it loud, I'm black and I'm proud

Recorder pieces on Charanga
 Jingle Bells (December)



Key Vocabulary

recorder	A wind instrument.
crotchet	A one beat note.
quaver	Worth half a crotchet.
minim	A two beat note.
semibreve	A four beat note.
crotchet rest	A silence for one beat.
treble clef	Symbol showing high notes, played above middle C.
stave	Five lines music is drawn on.



Semibreve Minim Crotchet Quaver

