



# Vivaldi's 'Winter'

Creative Response

Activities

KSI + 2

# Dripping Icicles Music (KS1 and KS2)

Listen to the first 30 seconds of 'Winter' here:

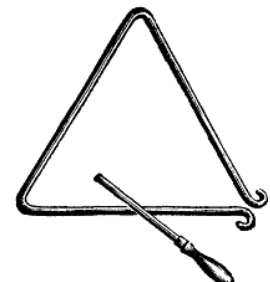
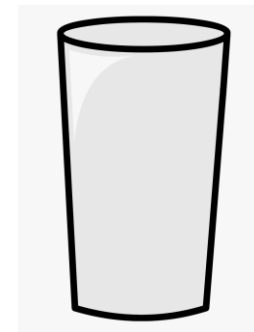
<http://teach.files.bbci.co.uk/tenpieces/Vivaldi.mp3>

Are the notes short and jumpy (staccato) or smooth and flowing (legato)?

Can you make your own musical pattern of 8 staccato notes? Find an instrument that could make a tapping or tinkling sound? (drum, triangle, woodblock, chime bar, spoon on a glass, fingernails tapping on different surfaces).

Try playing your composition in time to Vivaldi's 'Winter'.

Make an audio or video recording of your music.



Now try this:

Do you have other family members at home? Each find something different to tap.

You could:

- Play your rhythms at the same time
- Start with one person (who taps 8 notes) then another person joins in
- Take it in turns to tap a beat

Are you at school?

- Start with one person and gradually build up until the whole group are playing together. Then gradually stop until there is only one person playing. Rehearse your music then perform and record it.

## KS2 - Do you play an instrument?

Can you make some staccato notes on it? You could use a device to record your first pattern of 8 notes, then play it back and play another pattern on top – this time at a different pitch. Try these notes together: C and E, F and A, G and B.

Play D and F then try D and F#. Which do you prefer? Why? Does one sound more haunting or sad than the other?

More than person with an instrument at home? Can you compose a wintry duet?

## KS2 Music Tech challenge:

Using an app such as Garage Band, experiment with different sounds and instruments. Can you find anything that sounds cold and wintry?

Now, play a musical pattern of 8 staccato notes. Record as many different layers of sound as you can.



More creative ideas to try:

Draw some calligrams using Vivaldi's 'Winter' as inspiration.

What is a calligram? Find out here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2P7UDPec5Gc>



Make some paper snowflakes [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ua\\_tS8Zmv8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ua_tS8Zmv8)

Draw a snowman <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GBPrVhWdORg>