# LESSON PLAN: DANCE: YEAR 6: WEEK 1

# LESSON OBJECTIVE: To learn how to adapt a basic movement motif to fit a theme, and change the dynamics.

### WARM UP (10 MINS)

Ask pupils to find a space and copy a simple warm up routine, some movements in 8 counts some movements in 4 counts E.g. skipping forwards for 8 counts, Jump to the right and clap, repeat to the left, 8 high knees backwards twisting body from left to right in full time, and then ski jump to the right, repeat to the left.

Question: Why should we in dance try and use slow and fast movements? Answer: In order to make the dance more creative and more aesthetically pleasing for the audience.

#### **MAIN LESSON (20 MINS)**

Explain to pupils that movements can be adapted and individualised to fit a theme. (E.g. When walking like a secret agent, we walk using slow and mysterious dynamics rather than just walking with our hands by our sides). Ask pupils to copy and learn a basic movement motif keeping in time to the beat of the music. Give pupils time to practice in small groups.

Develop: Ask pupils in their small groups to develop the motif to fit the theme by changing the dynamics. Explain that dynamics are being able to demonstrate a contrast in their movements, for example, changing from light to heavy movements. Ask pupils to describe the dynamics needed for the theme you have selected.

# **GAME/COMPETITION (15 MINS)**

Groups can demonstrate their motif to the rest of the class. Pupils can peer assess. How did they adapt the basic movements? Ask them to describe 2 things they did well, 1 thing they can improve.

# EQUIPMENT

• Music / sound system

# **KEYWORDS**

- Creative
- Dynamics

# DIFFERENTIATION

#### **LESS ABLE**

• Use slower music.

# **MORE ABLE**

• Ask pupils to change the levels, directions and floor patterns as well as the dynamics, if they haven't already done so.



# **ASSESSMENT FOR LEARNING**

CRITERIA		SKILLS
Fundamental Skills & Movement	8	Can they perform and adapt their basic motifs to a high ability?
	7	Can they perform and adapt their basic motifs with a certain degree of control?
	6	Can they perform and adapt their basic motifs, but to a low ability?
Tactics, Rules & Teamwork	8	Works in a team & demonstrates their knowledge and use of dynamics.
	7	Can work in a team & understands that motifs can be adapted.
	6	Starts communicating ideas with a partner about how to change their movement dynamics.
Show & Link	8	Can they link: all the skills required to adapt the dynamics of their motif?
	7	Can they show and link: the skills and knowledge required to perform different dynamics?
	6	Show knowledge of how to adapt the dynamics.
Describe Ways to Improve	8	Are able to describe and improve performance.
	7	Are able to describe performance.
	6	Are able to see differences in performance against a simple model.
Fitness & Health	8	Shows a solid understanding of why physical activity has health benefits.
	7	Has some knowledge of why physical activity has health benefits.
	6	Has little knowledge of why physical activity has health benefits.

