

# 5th Grade - Unit 4 (Melody)

Content Area: **Music**  
Course(s): **Music 5**  
Time Period: **Generic Time Period**  
Length: **3 Lessons**  
Status: **Published**

## Established Goals/Standards

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MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cn	Connecting
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cr	Creating
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr	Performing
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re	Responding
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cr1	Generating and conceptualizing ideas.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cr2	Organizing and developing ideas.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr4	Selecting, analyzing, and interpreting work.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re7	Perceiving and analyzing products.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re8	Applying criteria to evaluate products.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re9	Interpreting intent and meaning.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cn11	Relating artistic ideas and works within societal, cultural, and historical contexts to deepen understanding.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cr1a	Generate and improvise rhythmic, melodic and harmonic ideas, and simple accompaniment patterns and chord changes. Explain connection to specific purpose and context (e.g., social, cultural, historical).
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cr2a	Demonstrate developed musical ideas for improvisations, arrangements or compositions to express intent. Explain connection to purpose and context.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Cr2b	Use standard and/or iconic notation and/or recording technology to document personal rhythmic, melodic and two-chord harmonic musical ideas.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr4a	Demonstrate and explain how the selection of music to perform is influenced by personal interest, knowledge and context as well as the students' technical skill.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr4b	Demonstrate an understanding of the structure and expanded music concepts (e.g., rhythm, pitch, form, harmony) in music selected for performance.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr4c	Analyze selected music by reading and performing using standard notation.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr4d	Explain how context (e.g., personal, social, cultural, historical) informs performances.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Pr4e	Convey creator's intents through the performers' interpretive decisions of expanded expressive qualities (e.g., dynamics, tempo, timbre, articulation/style).
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re7a	Demonstrate and explain, citing evidence, how selected music connects to and is influenced by specific interests, experiences, purposes, or contexts.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re7b	Demonstrate and explain, citing evidence, how responses to music are informed by the structure, the use of the elements of music, and context (i.e., social, cultural, historical).
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re8a	Evaluate musical works and performances, applying established criteria, and explain appropriateness to the context citing evidence from the elements of music.
MU.3-5.1.3A.5.Re9a	Demonstrate and explain how the expressive qualities (e.g., dynamics, tempo, timbre, articulation) are used in performers' and personal interpretations to reflect expressive intent.

## Essential Questions

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- How do musicians improve the quality of their creative work?
- How do musicians make creative decisions?
- How does understanding the structure and context of musical works inform performance?

## Enduring Understanding

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- Expand students' understanding of major scales through improvisation.
- Explore the relationship between half steps, whole steps, and key signatures in major scale patterns.
- Promote students' understanding of sharps and flats in relation to half steps.

## Purpose

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## Key Student Objectives

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- Define a Major Scale and its intervals.
- Define Key Signature.
- Define Sharp, Flat, and Natural.
- Describe the difference between half steps and whole steps.
- Discover the relationship between half steps and accidentals.
- Perform a short improvisation based on the G major scale.
- Recognize the major scales of C, F, and G.
- Review the definition of improvisation.