

# Year 4: Samba and carnival sounds and instruments (South America)

## Musical style: Samba



Samba is a Brazilian music style which forms a part of everyday life in Brazil. It is used for celebrations, including the Rio Carnival, and even in football! It is a style of music which layers syncopated rhythms on multiple percussion instruments.

## Instruments

**Untuned percussion** Percussion instruments you **cannot** play a tune on.

<p><b>Agogo</b></p> 	<p><b>Caixa</b></p> 	<p><b>Chocahlo</b></p> 	
<p><b>Ganza</b></p> 	<p><b>Repique</b></p> 	<p><b>Surdo</b></p> 	<p><b>Tamborim</b></p> 

## Vocabulary

- Rhythm** A pattern of long and short sounds (and silences) within a piece of music.
- Syncopation** A type of musical rhythm in which the strong notes are not on the beat.
- Off-beat** The beats in between the ones you would naturally clap on.
- Break** A four or eight beat rhythm which is usually played once or twice.

