Music

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

INTERMEDIATE | B1-B2

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each music term with its precise meaning.

1 single	____	a singer who supports the main voice
2 album	____	b recording released as one main song
3 track	____	c one song or piece on a recording
4 playlist	____	d low-pitched guitarist in a band
5 soundtrack	____	e ordered collection of chosen recordings
6 lead singer	____	f main vocalist in a group
7 backing vocalist	____	g music accompanying a film or programme
8 bass guitarist	____	h collection of recordings released together

2 Complete the musical collocations.

ear | good | make | pick | play | read | stream | sync

1 _____ music from a phone

2 _____ files across two devices

3 _____ the piano confidently

4 _____ music from a printed score

5 play a melody by _____

6 have a _____ ear for pitch

7 _____ out a tune on a keyboard

8 _____ music with friends

3 Correct one mistake in each sentence.

1 We listened **the new album** twice. _____

2 She plays **guitar** in a folk group. _____

3 The festival featured music from many **different genre**. _____

4 I enjoy **classic music** when I study. _____

5 The band performed three new **musics**. _____

6 He can play almost any tune **from ear**. _____

7 I downloaded the whole **playlist of the singer**, not just one track. _____

8 The film's **music track** was composed by Aiko Tan. _____

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4 Complete the concert review with words from the box.

album | backing vocalists | bass guitarist | encore | lead singer | playlist | soundtrack | tracks | venue | vocals

The riverside **1** _____ was full long before the band appeared. The **2** _____ opened with two **3** _____ from their latest **4** _____. Her powerful **5** _____ were supported by two **6** _____, while the **7** _____ kept the groove steady. The group also performed a song from a famous film **8** _____. After a loud request for an **9** _____, they returned with the song at the top of every fan's **10** _____.

5 Read the text and answer the questions briefly.

From first idea to finished track

A songwriter may begin with a melody, a rhythm, a line of lyrics or a few chords. During rehearsal, the musicians develop their individual parts and decide on the arrangement. They then record several takes in a studio. A producer helps shape the overall sound, while an engineer captures and balances the instruments and voices. Finally, the track is mixed and prepared for release. Although one artist's name may appear on the cover, creating a recording is often a team effort.

1 Name two possible starting points for a song. _____

2 What do musicians decide during rehearsal? _____

3 What do they record in the studio? _____

4 Who helps shape the overall sound? _____

5 What does the engineer balance? _____

6 Why is a recording often a team effort? _____

6 Rewrite using the word in capitals.

1 She learned the melody without written music. **EAR** _____

2 He can identify notes very accurately. **GOOD** _____

3 I arranged my favourite tracks in one list. **PLAYLIST** _____

4 The film music became more popular than the film. **SOUNDTRACK** _____

OVER TO YOU

Write a **100-120 word** review of a concert, album or playlist. Describe the performers, style, instruments, strongest track and how the music affected you.

[ ] Use at least ten target expressions. [ ] Use album, track and soundtrack accurately. [ ] Support your opinion with details.

ANSWER KEY

1 Music terms

1 **b** 2 **h** 3 **c** 4 **e** 5 **g** 6 **f** 7 **a** 8 **d**

2 Musical collocations

1 **stream** 2 **sync** 3 **play** 4 **read** 5 **ear** 6 **good** 7 **pick** 8 **make**

3 Corrections

1 listened **to the new album** 2 plays **the guitar** 3 different **genres** 4 **classical music**
5 three new **pieces/tracks** 6 **by ear** 7 the singer's whole **album** 8 film **soundtrack**

4 Concert review

1 **venue** 2 **lead singer** 3 **tracks** 4 **album** 5 **vocals** 6 **backing vocalists** 7 **bass guitarist** 8 **soundtrack** 9 **encore** 10 **playlist**

5 Reading - suggested answers

1 Any two: a melody, rhythm, lyrics or chords. 2 Their individual parts and the arrangement. 3 Several takes.
4 A producer. 5 The instruments and voices. 6 Songwriters, musicians, a producer and an engineer all contribute.

6 Rewriting - possible answers

1 She learned the melody **by ear**. 2 He has a **good ear** for music. 3 I made a **playlist** of my favourite tracks. 4 The film's **soundtrack** became more popular than the film.

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check precise recording vocabulary, supporting detail and a clear evaluation.