



SONG Virtual Composition Project 2021 Listening Task 2

Follow this link to reach our recording of *The Linden Tree* by Misha Mullov-Abbado:

https://open.spotify.com/track/3aHEsGRscTSpT13AxZwgV6?si=pXENqXhcT_q6P2R06HDOug

This is a contemporary arrangement of a traditional English folk song.

Style

Which of these styles best describes the overall style of the song?

- Pop
- Classical
- Jazz

Texture

This is a brilliant example of one of the best ways of layering our ensemble, a bit like a cake. See if you can really hear each of these roles at play during the song:

Melody / Icing - Soprano Voice Melody & Instrumental Solos / Icing & Decoration - Clarinet Chordal Accompaniment / Filling - Harp Bassline/ Base - Double Bass

Structure

Which one of these best describes the structure of the song?

- Intro Verse Instrumental Verse Instrumental Verse
- Verse Chorus Instrumental Verse Chorus Outro
- Intro Verse Verse Instrumental Verse

Instruments

- Which instrument (not the voice) has the most solos in the song?
- Can you name the order in which the instruments first appear?
- What is the name for the technique the double bass uses for the majority of the song?







Expression Markings

If you were the composer:

• what expression marking would you have given the ensemble at the start of the song? E.g. aggressively, lively, joyfully