Lesson 3 – Country Roads

Year 4 Lesson 2 Summer 2: **Country Through The Years**

Knowledge Objective	Task	Lesson Detail	Vocabulary
To be able to identify and explain how country music has changed over the years.	**Task:** Write a paragraph about what they have noticed about the change in country music. **Success Criteria:** I can name some country musicians I can explain how country music has changed I can express how I feel about a piece of music	**Begin lesson listening to:** Zac Brown Band – Chicken Fried https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtkTtZpsCCY Have you heard this song before? What genre of music do you think this is? What instruments can you hear? Can you explain the tempo? What country do you think this music is from? Do you like this song? Why? **Prior Learning**: What instruments can you remember from last week? – Banjo, accordion, fiddle, dobro, harmonica **Teach:** See powerpoint for more information about musicians. Darius Rucker – Wagon Wheel https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvKyBcCDOB4 Carrie Underwood – Something in the Water https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZ2kdx4zZUY Luke Bryan – What makes you country – https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iLV13SBX6k Zac Brown Band – https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0UnOwlklHHs **Talk Task:** *Which was your favourite song? Why?* **Task:** Write a paragraph to explain what you have noticed about the change in country music. Ask children to think about the instruments used, the age of the artists, what country could you hear the music in, are country artists now more current? What are the songs about now? Do they prefer the old or new country songs? **Plenary:** Children to name the country artists and feedback as a class what they have noticed	Zac Brown Band Luke Bryan Darius Rucker Carrie Underwood **Relevant Musicians** Zac Brown Band Luke Bryan Darius Rucker Carrie Underwood Musical Elements
Suggested Resources:			

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Let's Listen



Chicken Fried – Zac Brown Band

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtkTtZpsCCY

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What instruments can you hear?

What country do you think this is from?

What is the tempo?

Do you like this song? Why?

Prior Learning

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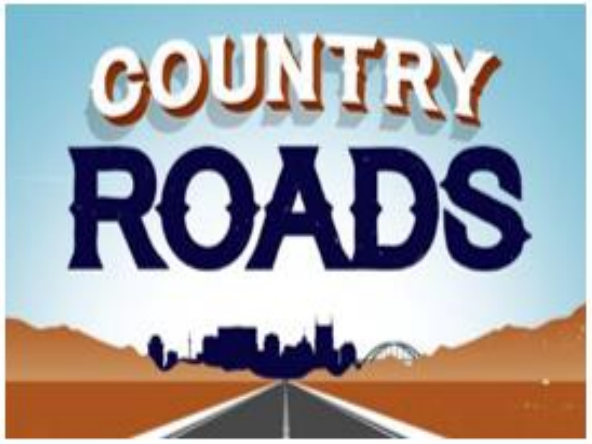


Our Knowledge Organiser

Year 4 – Summer 2: Country Roads

Guitar
Fiddle
Harmonica
Dobro
Tambourine
Double Bass





Take me home, Country Roads
John Denver

Country roads, take me home
To the place I belong
West Virginia, mountain mama
Take me home, country roads

Country Through the Years



Jimmie Rodgers
1920s



The Carter Family
1930-1950



John Denver
1960s



Dolly Parton
1970s



Taylor Swift
2006



Darius Rucker
2008



Zac Brown Band
2010

Key Vocabulary

Zac Brown Band
Luke Bryan
Darius Rucker
Taylor Swift
Country
Banjo
Nashville



L.O: Identify and explain how country music has changed over the years.

Success Criteria:

I can name some country musicians
I can explain how country music has changed
I can express how I feel about a piece of music

Here are today's key words:

Zac Brown Band
Luke Bryan
Darius Rucker
Nashville
Country



Taylor Swift

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e4zzrKNOo2Q – Our Song



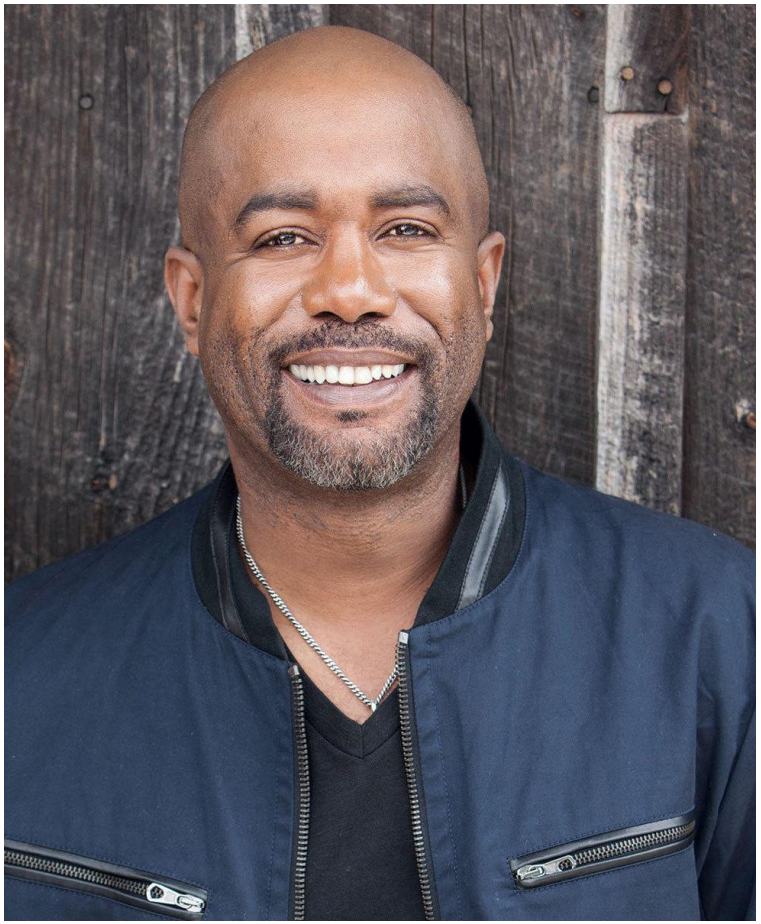
Taylor Swift (1989) is an American singer-songwriter. At the age of 14 she became the youngest artist to be signed by Sony Records and at 15 she released her first 'country' album. She became the youngest person to single-handedly write and perform a number-one song on the *Billboard* Hot Country Songs chart.

Having sold more than 50 million albums, Swift is one of the world's best-selling music artists and the highest-earning female musician of the 2010s. In 2019 she was named 'Woman of the Decade' and is much loved across the globe.

Darius Rucker

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvKyBcCDOB4 – Wagon Wheel

Darius Rucker (1966) is an American country singer and songwriter. Before becoming a country singer, Darius Rucker was part of a rock band and then released a R&B album but no singles from it charted.



Rucker signed to Capitol Nashville as a country music singer, releasing the album, *Learn to Live* that year. Its first single, "Don't Think I Don't Think About It", made him the first black artist to reach number one on the Hot Country Songs charts since Charley Pride in 1983.

Luke Bryan

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iLV13SBX6k – What Makes You Country

Luke Bryan (1976) is an American country music singer. He began his music career writing songs for other country artists before signing with Capitol Nashville in 2007. Bryan has released over 10 albums and has had over 25 number 1 singles. In 2013, Bryan received 'Entertainer of the year' at the Country Music Awards. Like Bryan was announced as the artist with the 7th most album sales of all the decade during 2010-2019. He is now a judge on American Idol.



Teach

Zac Brown Band

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0UnOwlkHH1s – Knee Deep

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KD_JMQI-4Xw – From Now On



Zac Brown Band is an American country/rock band based in Atlanta, Georgia. The band has released seven studio albums along with two live albums and one greatest-hits album. They have also 16 singles on the Billboard Hot Country Songs or Country Airplay chart, of which 13 have reached number 1. Zac Brown Band also re-recorded the song "From Now On" from the movie 'The Greatest Showman'

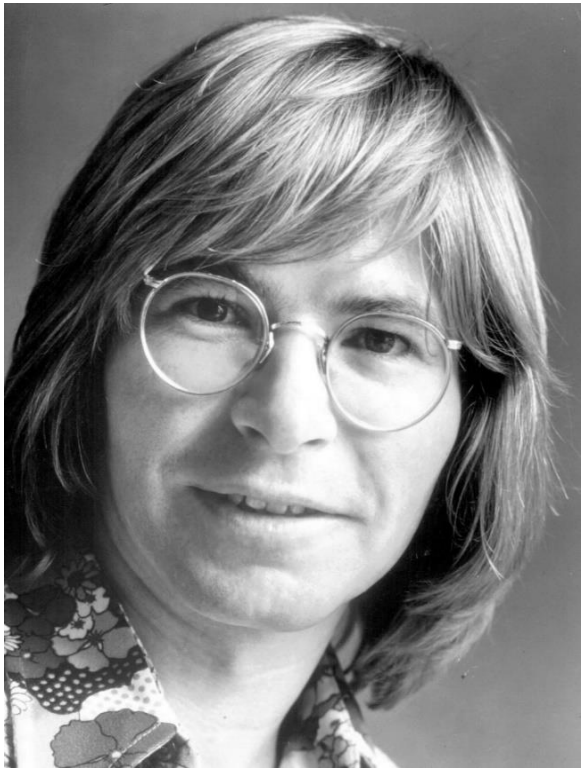
Talk Task

Which song/artist was your favourite? Why?



Task

Think about all the country music you have heard so far.
Write a few sentences to explain what you have noticed about the change in country music.





And finally…

Can you name these country artists?

