

Creativity Prompt

Weather Music

Description

A creative way to enjoy an outdoor view and look at current weather patterns with a new perspective.

Time to Complete

5-10 minutes or repeat for as long as you're inspired!

Materials

Paper and a writing instrument (pen/pencil/marker, etc.)

Instructions

Grab a writing instrument and a piece of paper. Find a place to sit by one of your favorite windows or spend a few moments outside.

Look around. What is the weather doing?

If that type of weather were a piece of music, what genre would it be?

What instruments would be included in that piece of music? What do you like about this music?

If you would like to dive deeper, think about the rhythm, is it upbeat or slow? Is it loud or soft? In what parts is it louder, and in what parts is it softer?

Perhaps the weather reminds you of a specific piece of music or song that you have already heard.

Write down your musical ideas.

Get creative and use the weather as inspiration!

Ex.

Today, it's sunny and around 60 degrees. I was able to turn off the heat! It's absolutely lovely. If this weather were a type of music, it would be a beautiful and simple symphonic work. The instruments included would be that of a standard orchestra: violins, violas, cello, etc. I especially hear the cello and viola sections in my head. Although it is not super complicated or dramatic, it is soft, simple, and beautiful. The slow beginning tempo reminds me of the pleasant and relaxing weather I am seeing. It is pleasing to listen to, especially on a sunny day like today. I am reminded of Elegy for Dunkirk by Dario Marianelli.

Sharing Suggestions

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Additional Resources

[Elegy for Dunkirk](#) by Dario Marianelli

[Peter Grimes Storm Interlude 4](#) by Britten

[Reflets dans l'eau \(Reflections in Water\)](#) by Debussy