



Pitch

The pitch of a sound is how high or low the sound is.



Pulse

The beat that runs through the music, like a heartbeat or the tick-tock of a clock.



Tempo

The tempo is the speed of the music. It is how fast or slow the pulse is.



Dynamics

f

Forte means loud.

p

Piano means soft/quiet.

Orchestra

In an orchestra there are brass, woodwind, percussion and stringed instruments



Vocabulary

instrument	an object that is played to make musical sounds
composer	a person who writes music
represent	to show or be a symbol of something
rhythm	is a pattern of sounds of different length

Listening skills

- In the Carnival of the animals each animal is **represented** by a different musical **instrument**.
- Instruments can be played at different **tempos**, **pitches** and **dynamics** to change the way they sound.
- Saint-Saens made choices about which instruments to use for different animals. Listen closely to spot the differences between the sounds they make.

swan



cello



elephant



double bass and piano



fossils



xylophone



aquarium



glass harmonica



Instruments of the orchestra



Camille Saint-Saens

- Camille Saint-Saens was a French composer who was born in 1835.
- He wrote **The Carnival of the Animals**.

