## Focus and criteria of observation

Focus of observation	Criteria of observation
1. Teacher attitude	<ul> <li>empathy</li> <li>reliability</li> <li>fairness</li> <li>consistency</li> <li>willingness to reflect and ability to correct</li> <li>enjoyment in communicating and teaching</li> </ul>
2. Learning environment	<ul> <li>classroom management (presence, efficiency, prevention of and intervention in classroom disruptions)</li> <li>strengthening self-concepts</li> <li>implementing a learning culture (openness, respectful and cooperative interaction, ability to take criticism, constructive approach to making mistakes)</li> </ul>
3. Level of academic and practical musical competence	<ul> <li>factual accuracy (substantiation of information and use of technical language)</li> <li>subject-specific reliability and flexible availability of expertise</li> <li>applicability and adaptability of the content for students</li> <li>ability and confidence in performing music</li> </ul>
4. Structuring the learning process	<ul> <li>subject-specific objectives appropriate to the group</li> <li>transparency of the lesson structure</li> <li>establishing the context of meaning and subject matter (clarification of meaning: what-how-why)</li> <li>consistent structure and organization of transitions between learning sections</li> <li>balance of objective&gt;content&gt;method</li> <li>securing results</li> </ul>

5. Communication	<ul> <li>leading a conversation (presentation, giving input to steer a discussion, presenting arguments, moderation)</li> <li>feedback</li> <li>facial expressions/gestures, body language</li> <li>use of the (class)room</li> <li>language-conscious manner of expression (in the sense of being understood and actively promoting language competence)</li> <li>voice</li> </ul>
6. Internal differentiation	<ul> <li>differentiation of learning outcomes in terms of subject, language and method</li> <li>sensory channels for learning and learning styles</li> <li>aptitudes</li> <li>learning pace</li> <li>didactic principle of activity and high-quality tasks</li> <li>participation</li> <li>individual attention and support</li> <li>management of the learning space</li> <li>preparation of material</li> </ul>

7. Classroom music-making	<ul> <li>distribution of voices/parts in the arrangement</li> <li>practicing and assembling parts of the arrangement</li> <li>musical arrangement</li> <li>organization of the group performance (conducting, rules, giving input)</li> <li>reflection (listening skills, critical evaluation)</li> <li>use of the (class)room</li> <li>preparation of material</li> </ul>
8. Organization of the learning process	<ul> <li>preparation</li> <li>goal-oriented, comprehensible and systematic task instructions</li> <li>time management</li> <li>use of media (efficiency, clarity, stimulation)</li> </ul>

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