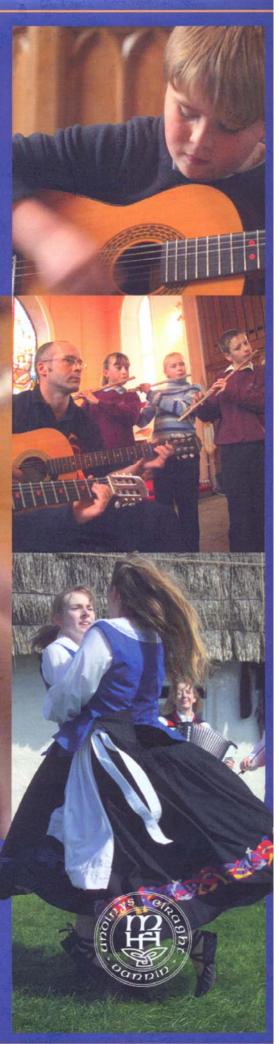
Manx Music

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Manx Music – Kiaull Manninagh

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Hop-tu-naa Colouring-in poster

Hop-tu-naa Wordsearch

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Invocation to St. Bridget [choir – SSA/pronunciation]

Smuggler's Lullaby Folk Group Ensemble

[melody/chords/piano solo/piano acc/variations/descant/lyrics]

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Vel Shiuish Ben-Aeg Folk Group Ensemble

[melody/counter melody/Bb version/piano acc/piano solo/guitar tab]

Manx Music – Kiaull Vannin – A Course for Isle of Man Secondary Schools

Year: 8 [or divided between 7-9]

Focus:

Manx music genres through the ages Instrumentation in Manx music

Time signatures in Manx folk music – Jigs, Reels and Airs

Modes in Manx folk music – Dorian, Aeolian and Mixolydian

Objectives:

Students should experience Manx music from the past to the present, and be able to recognise the different genres and types of instrumentation. They should be able to distinguish between the structures associated with Manx folk music [jigs, reels and airs] by understanding their time signatures and character, and understand the concept of modes. A Manx melody chosen from the provided selection should be performed individually and/or as a group. Using the time signatures and modes associated with Manx folk music, students should choose elements and compose their own melody.

Specific Teaching:

Listen to a variety of different genres of Manx music from past to present

Learn about and recognise instrumentation in Manx music

Learn about time signatures in Manx music, listen to example pieces and distinguish between jigs, reels and airs in listening and theory tests

Learn about modes and listen to example pieces

Perform pieces of Manx folk music – solo and/or ensemble

Compose using the suggested framework

Repertoire [Melody & Chords]:

- · Manx melodies in jig tempo Gyn Ennym and Colbagh Breck
- · Manx melodies in reel tempo Car ny Ferrishyn and Car ny Rankee
- · Manx melodies in air tempo Arrane Saveenagh and Ushtey Millish 'sy Garee
- · Manx melodies in dorian mode Cum y Chenn Oanrey Cheh and Arrane Sooree
- · Manx melodies in aeolian mode Three Little Boats and Juan y Jaggad Keeir
- · Manx melodies in mixolydian mode *Vel Shiuish Ben-Aeg ny Ben-ny Phoosee?* and *My Veiryn Cloie y Larym*

Other Manx melodies - Tra Va Ruggit Creest, My Chaillin Veg Dhone, Ny Kirree Fo Niaghtey and Eunyssagh Vona.

See Appendices for more solo/ensemble pieces/songs

Resources:

- · Listening extracts and tests (two CDs)
- · Worksheets
- · Music Sheets
- · Quizzes and games

Manx Music Course Suggested Unit Planning and Assessment – Key Stage 3

Curricular Areas for the Manx Music Course				
Theme	Teaching Session (Suggested Weeks)	Core Curricular Area	Key Stage Assessment	
Historic Overview and Instrumentation [Sections 1-5]	1-3	· Introduction to the unit · Oral traditions and Manx music genres · Instruments in Manx music · Assessment	· Listening · Performance	
Performance using traditional melody structures [Jigs, Reels & Airs] and Modes [Sections 6-7]	4-7	· Traditional music rhythms and time signatures · Learning about and performing modes · Assessment	· Listening · Performance · Composition	
Listening and Recognition [Sections 5,6 & 8]	8-10	· Recognition of extracts (instrumentation, rhythmic structures and genres) · Assessment	· Listening · Performance · Composition	
Composing in traditional Manx styles [Sections 6-7]	11-13 (as suits)	· Composing Manx music · Assessment	· Composition · Listening · Performance	

- · The following notes follow the order of chapters in the Manx Music Course pack, addressing CD1 [Examples] and CD2 [Listening Tests] consecutively.
- · Featured lyrics and their translations are provided where necessary.
- · Pronunciations are provided for Gaelic words.
- · Sources for printed music are given with their page numbers [see below and next page for references].
- · Some of the featured pieces of music are included in the appendices for individual or group performance [identified by \mathfrak{I}].
- · Information regarding sources for the CD tracks can be found below and in the accompanying CD booklet.
- · Sections 1-8 and their relevant worksheets and tests are colour coded for quick access.

Suggested Additional Resources [see over for further details]:

Kiaull yn Theay 1 and 2.

Manx National Song Book, Combined Vols 1 and 2.

Ree ny Marrey. Songs of the Isle of Man.

Recordings [see over for further details]:

Cree. A compilation of Manx traditional music.

The Best That's In. A compilation of different genres of Manx music.

Music and Dance Resources - Books Most books are available in MNH Museum shops and selected bookshops.

Ree ny Marrey. Fenella Bazin and Charles Guard.

1994. Nelson Press Co. Ltd., Isle of Man.

For classroom use. With piano and guitar accompaniment. ISBM 0 9524019 0 8.

Kiaull yn Theay 1 [yellow]. Colin Jerry.

1978. Sleih gyn Thie.

Hand scripted traditional tune book. Single lines with guitar chords.

Kiaull yn Theay 2 [red]. Colin Jerry.

1979. Yn Cheshaght Ghailckagh.

Hand scripted traditional tune book. Single lines with guitar chords.

Kiaull Vannin. Colin Jerry, ed.

1991. Peel: contact author. Source Book for Manx Tunes, transcribed from the collections of Dr. John Clague and Others.

Manx Ballads and Music. A.W. Moore ed.

1896 [1998]. Douglas, Isle of Man: G. & R. Johnson [Facsimile reprint. Felinfach:

Llanerch Publishers].

Mainly Gaelic song lyrics with English translations. Features some music arrangements.

The Manx National Song Book: Combined Vols I & II. W.H. Gill [1896] and Charles Guard [1980], eds. 2001. The Manx Experience, Douglas. ISBN 1873120486.

Solo popular songs with piano accompaniment. Some based on traditional melodies and some more recently composed.

Much Inlin'd to Music: The Manx and their Music Before 1918. Fenella Crowe Bazin.

1997. The Manx Heritage Foundation, Douglas. ISBN 0 9524019 3 2.

Classroom book on Manx Music.

The Promised Land. Country Anthems from the Collection of Edward Quayle.

Fenella Bazin, ed. 2000. Centre for Manx Studies. Accompanying CD Available.

Roie Mygeayrt. Aalin Clague and Annie Kissack.

2004. Manx Heritage Foundation/Mooinjey Veggey.

Rhymes and Songs in Manx Gaelic for young children.

Words and CD available to purchase from the authors.

Rinkaghyn Vannin: Dances of Mann.

1983. Sleih gyn Thie.

Instructional dance book with melodies. Accompanying cassette available.

The Leighton Stowell Book of Manx Dances.

1981. Manx Folk Dance Society.

Instructional dance book with melodies and accompanying cassette.

Manx Dances for Schools: Key Stage 1, 2 and 3.

Department of Education/Manx National Heritage.

Sets of videos, cassettes and music books for school use. Available from the DOE.

From 2005/6, the *Manx Heritage Foundation* website will have a link to the **Manx Music Database**, which contains virtually all references to Manx music, and information on how to locate individual pieces of music. In the future, it will also be possible to access many pieces of printable music online. Currently, information can be obtained by contacting the *Manx Music Resource Coordinator* by emailing: mhfmusic@mhf.org.im or the *Manx Music Specialist*: manxmusicspecialist@mhf.org.im.

RECORDINGS - SOURCES FOR MANX MUSIC EXAMPLES

Arnold, Malcolm. Concerto for 28 Players.

1996. CHAN 9509. Includes 'A Manx Suite' (Little Suite No. 3) Op. 142, commissioned by the Manx Youth Orchestra. The 5 movements are based on traditional melodies.

Performed by City of London Sinfonia and conducted by Richard Hiscox.*

Caarjyn Cooidjagh. Cronnane.

2000. Isle of Man: Manx Heritage Foundation.

Caarjyn Cooidjagh and others. The Promised Land.

2000. MHF CD3. This mixed choir (Friends Together) sing Manx Gaelic songs, carvals and West Gallery music. [See The Light House, Cree, The Best That's In!]

Christian, Emma. Beneath the Twilight/ Ta'n Dooid Cheet.

1994. EMMC1. Emma has achieved world-wide recognition by singing Manx Gaelic songs and playing traditional melodies on the harp and recorder. [see The Best That's In!]

Cliogaree Twoaie. Drogh Vraane and a Few Good Men.

2004. The 'Northern Croakers' are a mixed choir who specialise in Gaelic songs and Carvals. [see Cree].

Guard, Charles. The Secret Island.

1993. Manannan Music MMC4 [cassette only]. Charles is a well-known harpist, composer and producer in the Isle of Man. This album features many of his own compositions performed by himself and other local musicians. The earlier success of his solo album 'Avenging and Bright' [1977] brought Manx music to a wider audience around the world.

Glasgow Hebridean Choir. Glasgow Hebridean Choir - Coisir Innse Gall Ghlaschu.

1990. This award-winning mixed choir usually sing in Scottish Gaelic, but perform the Manx Gaelic song 'My Chaillin Veg Dhone' (arranged by J.F. Woolley) on this recording. [Cassette only].

Kennedy, Peter [recorded by]. Folktrax 007 - Manx Song and Dance.

1975. This is a field recording by folklorist Peter Kennedy. It features rare footage of the collector Mona Douglas singing, with contributions from Joe and Winnie Woods. See Folktrax website where archive CDs can be purchased.

King Chiaullee. Baase Cooil Stroo. ca. 2001.

King Chiaullee. Reel: Ode.

2003. Mister Major Records. Translated as 'Music Heads', this young Manx group originally formed at St. Ninian's High School. They play modern interpretations of traditional music and their own compositions. [See The Light House, Cree, The Best That's In!]

Mactullagh Vannin. Twisted Roots.

2004. MHF CD4. Translated as 'Echoes of Mann', this influencial instrumental group perform a mixture of traditional Manx melodies with new compositions. [See The Best That's In! and Cree].

Mannin Folk. Through the Years.

2000. RJCD04. Mannin Folk led the Manx folk song revival in the 1960s and they are still very popular today. This album features lots of well known Manx songs, in addition to some British and American folk songs. [See The Best That's In!]

Manx Folk Dance Society. Leighton Stowell & Other Manx Dances.

1989. MFDS 1. MFDS were formed in 1951 by Leighton Stowell. This musical cassette accompanies an instructional book of Manx dances and features many prominent

Manx folk musicians. [See The Best That's In!]. [Cassette only].

The Mollag Band. *Big Car, Small Brain.* ca. 1993. Front Room FRR 003. [cassette only]. **The Mollag Band.** *Into the Tide.*

1997. MBCD3. Led by Greg Joughin, the style of this Manx group is often described as 'folkrock'. They perform self-penned protest songs about environmental and political issues. [See The Best That's In! and Cree]

Moot. Uprooted.

2002. With Gaelic voice, flute and samples, Moot (a colloquial name for a turnip!) perform experimental versions of Manx songs. [See Cree and The Light House].

Paitchyn Vannin. Fragments.

1995. MHFC1. 'Children of Mann' were a young instrumental group based at Ramsey Grammar School. [See The Best That's In!]. [Cassette only].

Phynnodderee. *There's No 'F' in Phynnoddoree.* [no date].

Phynnodderee. Y Reesht! 2003.

Named after a mythical creature in the Isle of Man, this instrumental folk group perform a mixture of Manx and international melodies. They regularly accompany the Manx Folk Dance Society and these two albums feature most Manx dance tunes [See Cree].

Solas.* Sunny Spells and Scattered Showers.

1997. Shanachie 78010. This high profile American-Irish group feature the Manx songs 'Arrane Ghelby' and 'Arrane Saveenagh' on this album.

The Stationary Wilberries. Folk & Blues.

2003. STOCD157306. As well as singing Manx folk and national songs, this group perform popular folk, blues and rock 'n' roll.

Stowell, Brian. Arraneyn Beeal-Arrish.

1973. Isle of Man: Kelly Recordings. *This LP comprises unaccompanied Manx Gaelic singing by Brian Stowell*. [LP only – to be rereleased on CD at future date].

Various. The Light House.

1998. MHFC 4. *A compilation album introducing contemporary Manx folk groups.* [Cassette only].

Various. The Best That's In!

2001. MHFCD1. A compilation of music featuring most genres of Manx music.

Various. Cree.

2004. MCRCD01. Translating as 'Heart', this album was compiled to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Relief and features a mixture of Manx Gaelic and folk groups.

Various. Come Back to Mona.

2004. MHFCD5. An album of favourite Manx songs, old and new, performed by well-known Manx singers and instrumentalists and conducted by Bernard Osborne.

Vaughan Williams. Over Hill, Over Dale.

1995. CDA66777. The Holst Singers* perform a choral arrangement of the Manx song 'Mannin Veen' by Vaughan Williams.

Wood, Haydn. British Light Music. 1991. Marco Polo 8.223402.

Wood, Haydn. British Light Music vol. 2.

1993. Marco Polo 8.223605. Performed by the Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra.* Both albums include Wood's orchestral arrangements of Manx folk melodies.

* denotes non-Manx groups

Other Information

This course has been designed for Key Stage 3 Music in the Isle of Man, but elements can be extracted and used where each music department feels appropriate.

Ideas for extension work and links to other schemes of work:

- · Classes could play 'Chinese whispers', perhaps with a short musical phrase, to illustrate how melodies are passed on by memory through the oral tradition. Comment on how the melody changes and develops through this process.
- · Link Manx working songs with other genres of labour songs [e.g. Blues].
- · Discuss the effects of instrumentation on the mood of music [e.g. The texture of the Celtic harp sounds mystical, romantic etc.].
- · Contact the *Manx Music Specialist* [Manx Heritage Foundation] to arrange visits or workshops by contemporary Manx groups.
- · Rhythmic patterns in theory tests and rhythmic composition sheet could be used as group clapping exercises [e.g. one group claps 'Spring Valley Bradda Head' motif, while another simultaneously claps 'Ballasalla Laxey' etc.]
- · Featured melodies could be used to illustrate structural devices [e.g. *Colbagh Breck* AABA etc.].
- · Process of arranging By omitting the suggested chord symbols, students could set new chords to the featured melodies.
- · A Level Melodies from sections 6 and 7 could be given as harmonisation or transposition exercises.
- · Compositions and performances could be entered in the annual **Cruinnaght Aeg** children's competitions (organised by Manx National Heritage and held in National Week, July).
- · Songs composed in Manx Gaelic could be entered for the Manx section of the Pan-Celtic Song Contest (local heat held during **Cooish** Manx Language Festival, November).

The **appendices** contain arrangements of melodies which are featured in the Manx Music Course [indicated by the sign \Im]. These solo and ensemble pieces vary in instrumentation and difficulty and may be of use for performance exams or extra-curricular musical activities. Where possible, references to sources are given by each title. e.g. *Eunyssagh Vona*, Kiaull yn Theay 1:1 or KYT1: 1

Kiaull vn Theav – KYT2

Manx National Song Book – MNSB

Ree ny Marrey - RNM

Manx Ballads and Music - MBM

Please contact the *Manx Music Specialist*: <u>manxmusicspecialist@mhf.org.im</u> for further material, advice or information.

For assistance relating to the Manx Gaelic language, contact the *Manx Language Development Officer*: greinneyder@mhf.org.im

- · Alternative names or references to the Isle of Man are found in some of the songs. These include; Vannin, Mannin, Mann, Mona, Mona's Isle, Land of Kelly, Manxland, Mansland.
- · Mannanan, Manannan and Mananan are all valid spellings of the name of the mythical Manx sea god.

Notes - CD 1 and Booklet

1. Manx Music – The Oral Tradition

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

Extension Work:

- · Classes could play 'chinese whispers', perhaps with a short musical phrase, to illustrate how melodies are passed on by memory through the oral tradition.
- • Hop-tu-naa music is included in the appendices [round, song & instrumental ensemble]. Contact the Manx Music Specialist for a copy of the MHF Hop-tu-Naa CD.
- An extra example of a working song, *Snieu Wheeyl Snieu* (Spin Wheel Spin) is included in the appendices which is particularly suitable for beginners of the whistle.

Pronunciation and meanings (underlined letters denote emphasized syllables):

Clague [Clegg], Gill [not Jill], Hop-tu-Naa [Hop-chu-nay]; Celtic [not Seltic], Oie'll Verrey [Eel Verr-a or Verr-ee – Eve of Mary], Gaelic [Gay-lic], Ree ny Marrey [Ree na Marr-a] – King of the Sea; Kiaull yn Theay [K'yall in Tay/Tier] - Music of the People; Snieu [Snoo].

1. Listening Example 1 [CD1/Track 01]

Arrane ny Vlieaun [Arr-airne na Vee-oun] – Milking Song. Performed by Mona Douglas.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

Cur dty vainney, cur dty vainney, Choud's mish ta goaill arrane. Lhig yn curn nish ny [goll] harrish Lesh dty vainney, my vooa veen.

Bannaght jee nish cur orts nish, Ayr as Mac as Spyrryd Noo. As Moirrey Bannit bishee Dty vainney my vooa.

Translation:

Give your milk, cow, give your milk, Whilst I sing my song to you. Let the milk-churn fill and spill With your milk, my dear old cow.

Blessings of God I'll put on you, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. And also Blessed Mary Give me more milk, my cow.

Sources: Ree ny Marrey: 22-3 and Kiaull yn Theay: 61.

Further Information: Also known as *Arrane Ben-Vlieaun* (Milkmaid's Song) or *Cur dty Vainney* (Give me Milk). Mona Douglas collected this song from Margot Quayle from Glen Auldyn in the early 20th century. The song asks for a blessing to be made on the

milk. Mona Douglas recorded herself singing this song in the 1960s and it was featured in Peter Kennedy's seminar work, *Folksongs of Britain and Ireland* (1975).

Suggested links: Working songs; instrumentation (solo voice); Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

1. Listening Example 2 [CD1/Track 02]

Hunt the Wren. Performed by Staa [stair – team of dry stone wallers].

Words of featured verses:

We'll away to the woods, says Robin the Bobbin, We'll away to the woods, says Ritchie the Robin, We'll away to the woods, says Jack o' the Land We'll away to the woods, says everyone.

Where, oh where? says Robin the Bobbin, etc.

What shall we do there? etc.

We'll hunt the wren, etc.

Where oh where? etc.

I see him, I see him, etc.

Translation: It is called *Helg yn Dreean* in Manx Gaelic.

Sources: Manx Ballads and Music: 64-5 (words only), Kiaull yn Theay: 31 and Ree ny Marrey: 27-8.

Further information: The ancient tradition of hunting the wren was also found in other areas of the British Isles, and like the Isle of Man, it is still actively celebrated in parts of Ireland and England. There are several variations of the lyrics and music, which all tell the story of catching the wren on St. Stephen's Day. The dance is performed by a large circle of couples, and today all over the Isle of Man, dance groups perform in the streets on Boxing Day morning. Staa consist of several generations of the Joughin Family. **Suggested Links:** Ternary form; instrumentation (choral, harmony); Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

1. Listening Example 3 [CD1/Track 03]

Eunyssagh Vona [You-na-sagh (like the 'ch' in Loch) <u>Vo-na</u>] – Mona's Delight. Performed by Phynnoddoree [commonly pronounced: Fin-<u>or-je-ree</u> or Fin-<u>odd-o-ree</u>, although double 'd' should actually sound 'th'].

Source: Kiaull yn Theay 1:1.

Further information: This is an impressive looking dance for 4 couples. Phynnoddoree play regularly for the Manx Folk Dance Society. Phynnoddoree, a giant mythical creature found in the Isle of Man, is sometimes spelt 'Fenoderee'.

Suggested Links: Reel dance structure; instrumentation (fiddles, accordion, bodhrán).

1. Listening Example 4 [CD1/Track 04]

Carval ny Drogh Vraane [Car-vel na Drogh (like the 'ch' in Loch) Vrairne] – Carol of the Bad Women.

Performed by Cliogarree Twoaie [Klee-ogg-a-ree Too-ey] – Northern Croakers.

Words of 1st verse:

My chaarjyn gheyr as ghraihagh, Ayns shoh jiu er veeitteil; My sailliu shaghney peccah, Fo mraane nagh jin-jee reill. Ta'n reill oc feer neu-chairagh, Ta'n Ostyl Phaul dy ghram Tra haink yn Noid'sy gharey She'n yen s'leaie gheill hug da.

Translation:

Come all ye sons of mortals, And to my words give oar; Would ye avoid transgressing, Of women's rule beware. Their rule is fraught with danger, As plainly may appear E'on in fair Eden's garden, She was the first to err.

Source: contact choir.

Further Information: There are several different melodies with the title, *Carval ny*

Drogh Vraane. See Kiaull yn Theay 1:36 and 39 for others.

Suggested Links: Instrumentation (choral); Devotional/religious music.

1. Listening Example 5 [CD1/Track 05]

The Promised Land.

Performed by Caarjyn Cooidjagh [Care-jin Coo-jack] – Friends Together.

Words of 1st verse [Trio]:

All o'er those wide extended plains shine one external day, Shine one external day.

Source: The Promised Land:113-7.

Further Information: This hymn was in the collection of farmer Edward Quayle (1829-1889), who lived in Grenaby, near Castletown. It was written by John Fawcett of Kendal (c.1814).

Suggested Links: Instrumentation (choral); harmony; Devotional/religious music.

2. Manx Music – National and Classical

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

General Pronunciation and meaning –

Cruinnaght or Yn Chruinnaght [In <u>crewn</u>-yakt] – The Gathering; Mylecharane [Mulla-ka-<u>rairne</u>] – (an old Manx surname); Haydn Wood [<u>Hay</u>-den]; Clean Suggane [Clean Suggairne] – Straw Cradle.

2. Listening Example 1 [CD1/Track 06]

The Manx National Anthem. Performed by The Regal Singers/Musicalé

Words of 1st Verse: Translation:

O land of our birth,
O gem of God's earth,
O Island so strong and so fair;
Built firm as Barrool,
Thy throne of Home Rule
O halloo nyn ghooie,
O chliegeen ny s'bwaaie,
Ry gheddyn er ooir aalin Yee;
Ta dt' Ardstooyl Reill Thie,
Myr Barrool er ny hoie

Makes us free as thy sweet mountain air. Dy reayll shin ayns seyrnys as shee.

Source: Manx National Song Book: 222-3.

Further Information: Collector and composer, W.H. Gill based the national anthem on the traditional folk melody, *Mylecharane's March* (Kiaull yn Theay 1:30). There are

eight verses, which have also been translated into Gaelic.

Suggested Links: Music for occasion.

2. Listening Example 2 [CD1/Track 07]

Ellan Vannin. Performed by Christine Bregazzi and Barbara Gale.

1st verse:

When the summer day is over and its busy cares have flown,

I sit beneath the starlight with a weary heart alone.

Then rises like a vision, sparkling bright in nature's glee,

My own dear Ellan Vannin with its green hills by the sea.

Source: Manx National Song Book: 84-5.

Further Information: Written by Eliza Craven Green and J. Townsend, *Ellan Vannin* is a very well known song in the Isle of Man and it was first published in 1854. This song was especially popular with Manx people who had emigrated to other parts of the world, such as America and Australia, as it reminded them of home. Christine Bregazzi and Barbara Gale are well known singers in the Isle of Man and they have both won the Cleveland Medal at the Guild [Manx Music Festival].

Suggested Links: Instrumentation (vocal duet, harmony).

2. Listening Example 3 [CD1/Track 08]

A Manx Wedding. Melody - Car y Phoosee [Car a Foozey]. Performed by Harmony.

1st verse:

Be off to the weddin' you young people all,

For all are expected, the great and the small,

Your friends and your neighbours, your relatives dear,

And all our belongins both wanted and dear.

From the Nors, and the Sous, and the East and the West,

There isn't a soul but is ast as a guest;

In fac(t) the whole Island has flocked to Lezayre,

And lekly as not, the whole world will be there!

They've ast the whole kit of you, herrings and sprats,

Your brothers and sisters, your dogs and your cats;

The mice in the barn you'll "see how they run,"

And "Robin the Bobbin" and "averyone."

So off with you, childher, as fast as you can,

Or the pews'll be taken and you'll have to stan(d);

Like Cæsar they've come and they've conquer'd and seen

The loveliest wedding that aver has been!

Aver has been? Yes, aver has been!

The loveliest wedding that aver has been!

Translation: Nors – North; Sous – South; ast – asked; lekly – likely; childher – children;

aver – ever [Anglo-Manx dialect].

Source: Manx National Song Book:118-25.

Further Information: W.H. Gill used the traditional melody from *Car y Phoosee* (Song/Dance of the Wedding) [Kiaull yn Theay 1:18] for his song about a typical Manx

wedding, written in the Anglo-Manx dialect.

Suggested Links:

2. Listening Example 4 [CD1/Track 09]

Rhapsody Mylecharane. Performed by the Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra.

Source: Kiaull yn Theay 1:44 [folk song]

Further Information: Haydn Wood used the traditional song *Mylecharane* for this rhapsody. The original song tells of a miserly father from the north of the Isle of Man

who wouldn't provide his daughter with a dowry. **Suggested Links:** Instrumentation (Orchestra).

2. Listening Example 5 [CD1/Track 10]

Mannin Veen – Dear Isle of Man. Performed by the Holst Singers.

1st verse and chorus:

Stranger, if thou seekest ease, Safety, quiet and sweet peace, If of rest thou wouldst be sure, Lovest sober joys and pure, Here thou shalt be strong and keen,

Come, then, come to Mannin Veen, To the hills and valleys green, Come, oh! come, Come, oh! come to Mannin Veen.

Source: Kiaull yn Theay: 56 [folk melody]

Further Information: Vaughan Williams wrote this choral arrangement in 1912. He found the Gaelic song in Dr. Clague's manuscripts. This folk song has several names; *Clean Suggane, Invocation to St. Bridget* and *Arrane y Ben-thie* (Song of the Housewife). It is said to be associated with St. Bridget's Eve, the 31st January.

Suggested Links: Invocation to St. Bridget is available as an arrangement for Girls' Choir and includes advice on Gaelic pronunciation.

Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

3. Manx Music – Music Hall and Tourist Music

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

3. Listening Example 1 [CD1/Track 11]

The Pride of Port-le-Murra. Performed by Musicalé.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

I'm the pride of Port-le-Murra, I can reap or plough a furra',

I can find the gentle lugworm in the sand,

I am up to all that's tricky, In the sailing of a Nicky,

An' I'm toul' there's not an aigual in the land;

I'm an able bodied seaman, And at trawling I'm demon, But -

Outside the three mile limit understand;

I am up both late and early, Catching congers long and curly;

An' I'm toul' there's not an aiqual in the land.

In the land; yes, in the land,

For there's no one better able to command

I am up both late and early, Catching congers long and curly;

An' I'm toul' there's not an aigual in the land.

Translation: Port-le-Murra (from Manx Gaelic, Purt-le-Moirrey) – Port St. Mary; Toul'

- Told; aiqual - equal [Anglo-Manx].

Source: Manx National Song Book:185-7.

Further Information: The composer Harry Wood, brother to Haydn, was the musical director at the Derby Castle and Palace hotels in Douglas (c.1900). He wrote this humorous song, and others for his Manx themed shows; *Manx Fairy Extravaganzas*.

Suggested Links: Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

3. Listening Example 2 [CD1/Track 12]

The Dear Old Isle of Man. Performed by Val Kissack and Wylie MacDowell.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

When Harry married Carrie of good old Lancashire,

They'd been running in harness for just about a year;

"It's time we had a holiday," said Harry to Carrie, oh!

Then Carrie said to Harry, "I should like you all to know,"

I don't want to go to Idaho, I don't want to go to Tennessee; Take me with a smile to Mona's Isle, That's the place for me. I don't want to go to the Continong, I know a better plan, I want to be a tripper, and eat a juicy kipper, In the Dear old Isle of Man.

Source: Manx National Song Book:216

Further Information: Written by Bart Morris and John London. **Suggested Links:** Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

3. Listening Example 3 [CD1/Track 13]

Flanagan. Performed by Val Kissack and Wylie MacDowell.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

Flanagan said to his girl, "my dear, Holiday time will be shortly here; Haven't you thought where you'd like to go? Hurry up, dear, for I want to know. The Isle of Anglesey's all right, Or the Isle of Wight might do." But the lady said, as she hung her head, "If it's all the same to you,

Flanagan, Flanagan, take me to the Isle of Man again. Take me where the folks all cry, K-E—double-L-Y! Flanagan, Flanagan, If you love your Mary Ann, Oh, Flanagan, Take me to the Isle of Man!"

Source: Manx National Song Book: 207-9.

Further Information: Written by C.W. Murphy and Will Letters. KELLY refers to *Kelly the Carman* [Manx National Song Book: 204-6] and *Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly?* [Manx National Song Book:210-5]; popular songs associated with the Manx tourist trade.

Florrie Forde was one of the most popular music halls acts in Britain.

Suggested Links: Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

4. Manx Music – Folk Music from the 1960s

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

General Pronunciation –

Mollag [Moll-ag], Lebiedzinsky [Libber-jinsky]

4. Listening Example 1 [CD1/Track 14]

Smuggler's Lullaby. Performed by Mannin Folk.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

See the excisemen are coming, Sleep my little hero. They'll be seeking wine and whisky, Sleep my little hero.

Ogh hene, lhiannoo meein, Chaddill oo my laala.

Translation: Lhiannoo meein – child of mine; Chaddill oo my laala – Sleep my little

Source: Manx National Song Book: 246-8 and Ree ny Marrey: 2-3.

Further Information: A smuggler's wife pretends to sing a Manx Gaelic lullaby to her baby, but she is really warning her husband that the English excisemen are nearby. The first phrase is loud, so her smuggler husband can hear her warning and hide the goods, while the next phrase 'caddill oo my laala' is sang softly to the baby. Luckily the excisemen didn't understand Manx! Gaelic for *Smuggler's Lullaby* is *Arrane Ben Drogh Hraghtalagh*. The melody also belongs to a children's song called *Fer ny Clien Click*. **Suggested Links:** An easy group arrangement of this piece is included in the appendices.

Form and Structure (Call and Response/Verse and Chorus).

4. Listening Example 2 [CD1/Track 15]

The Foxdale Miner. Performed by Mannin Folk.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

Sometimes I work at Glen Rushen,
Sometimes I work at Cross Vein,
Sometimes I find that down in the mine
is doing something to my brain.
Sometimes I work at Cornelly,
But Beckwith's the shaft that I dread.
As the dust I despise fills my nose and my eyes,
I think I would rather be dead.

I'm a miner working in Foxdale, where the mines are so damp and so cold. From breakfast to bed we go digging for lead, But I'd rather be digging for gold.

Source: contact band.

Further Information: Written by the late Stuart Slack, who also wrote *The Laxey*

Wheel, Ride the Rails and Give me the Bus Fare to Laxey. Suggested Links: Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

4. Listening Example 3 [CD1/Track 16]

The Ellan Vannin Tragedy. Performed by The Stationary Wilberries.

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

Snaefell, Tynwald, Ben my Chree, Fourteen ships have sailed the sea Proudly bearing a Manx name, But there's one will never again.

Oh, Ellan Vannin, of the Isle of Man Company, Oh, Ellan Vannin, lost in the Irish Sea.

Source: Manx National Song Book: 270-1.

Further Information: *The Ellan Vannin Tragedy* is a song about a Manx passenger ship which sank in 1909 and was written by well known English folk group 'The Spinners'. It has since been recorded by local groups, Mannin Folk and The Stationary Wilberries.

Suggested Links: Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

4. Listening Example 4 [CD1/Track 17]

Langness. Performed by The Mollag Band.

Words of 1st verse:

And who of you will cut down all the long green grass at Langness, To build a fine golf course with velvet paths that we can ride. 18 holes with little red flags on Langness, 18 monuments to genocide.

Source: contact band.

Further Information: Written by singer, Greg Joughin. A mollag was an inflated sheep's stomach which was traditionally used as a buoy. In the Isle of Man, a mollag band were a gang of hooligans who carried mollags on poles. They sang as they marched around the local shops and houses, whereupon they would demand money with menaces. **Suggested Links:** Protest Songs.

4. Listening Example 5 [CD1/Track 18]

Don't Hurt Me Now. Performed by The Mollag Band.

Words of featured verse:

Don't hurt me now.

Sail away.

Fair winds for your bonny boats.

But when you're near me,

Keep watch where the mollag floats.

Source: contact band.

Further Information: Written by singer, Greg Joughin, about the plight of the basking shark. This song features Sam Brown, noted for her chart-topping song, *Stop*, who happened to be holidaying in Peel when The Mollag Band recorded this album!

Suggested Links: Protest Songs.

5. Manx Folk Music Today

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

General Pronunciation and meaning:

Cruinnaght or Yn Chruinnaght [In <u>crewn</u>-yakt – The Gathering]; Shennaghys Jiu [Shennack-is Jew – Tradition Today]; Cooish [Coosh – Chat]; Bodhrán [Bow-ran or Ba-Ran – (Irish drum)]; Bwoie Doal [Boy Dole – Blind Boy, named after one of Dr. Clague's informants, Tom Kermode the blind singer]; Paitchyn Vannin [Pet-chin <u>Vann</u>-in – Children of Mann]; King Chiaullee [King Key-all-ee - Music Heads]; Skeeal [Skeal – Rumour/story]; Staa [stair – team of dry stone wallers]; Mactullagh Vannin [Mac-tull-agh (like 'loch') Vann-in - Echoes of Mann]; Phynnodderee [Fin-or-je-ree or Fin-odd-o-ree]. Claare ny Gael [Clare na <u>Gale</u> – Gaelic Programme].

5. Listening Example 1 [CD1/Track 19]

King of the Sea. Performed by Mannin Folk

Words of 1st verse and chorus:

Up with the lug and let her run Before the wind and tide; The gannets plunge, the gulls keep watch, The herring shoal is wide.

Oh! the herring, boys, the herring, Oh! the herring, boys, for me! Red or kipper'd, fresh or pickled, Oh! The herring is king of the sea.

Source: Manx National Song Book: 61-3.

Further Information: This song was published in Manx National Songs in 1896. The words were written J.F. Gill (brother of W.H. Gill), but the melody was taken from a folk song which they had collected along with Dr. Clague: *Yn Colbagh Breck y Sthrap* (The Speckled Heifer – a different version to the Jig example in section 6). Mannin Folk repopularised this song during the 1960s and 1970s.

Suggested Links: Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

5. Listening Example 2 [CD1/Track 20]

Shooyl Inneenyn [shool in-<u>ee</u>-nin] - Girls Walking or Walk of the Girls. Performed by Paitchyn Vannin [Pet-chin Vannin].

Source: Kiaull yn Theay 1:60.

Further Information: *Shooyl Inneenyn* is a women's dance collected by Mona Douglas, and it is said to have been associated with the Michaelmas Hiring Fair on 29th September. The tune is also known as *Myr Hie mee magh dy 'Aill*. The first section (not included in this recording) is slow and courtly, whereas the second section (featured) is quicker in tempo; this contrast is reflected in the movement of the dance. The melody is also featured on albums by Mactullagh Vannin (Twisted Roots) and King Chiaullee (Baase Cooil Stroo). Paitchyn Vannin means Children of Mann. The group is associated with Ramsey Grammar School and has had several reincarnations over the past 20 years.

Suggested Links: Music for dance.

5. Listening Example 3 [CD1/Track 21]

Fin as Oshin. Performed by The Mollag Band.

Sources: Manx Ballads and Music: 2-5 (words only), Kiaull Vannin (melody only). **Further Information:** The title and words to this Manx song are linked to the Scottish Ossian sagas.

5. Listening Example 4 [CD1/Track 22]

Ushag Veg Ruy [Ush-egg vegg roy] – Little Red Bird. Performed by Moot.

Words of 1st verse:

Ushag veg ruy ny moanee doo, Moanee doo, moanee doo, Ushag veg ruy ny moanee doo, C'raad chaddil oo riyr 'syn oie?

Translation:

Little red bird of the lonely moor Lonely moor, lonely moor, Little red bird of the lonely moor, O where did you sleep last night?

Sources: Kiaull yn Theay 1:3, Ree ny Marrey: 42-4 and Manx National Song Book [as *Little Red Bird*]: 231-3.

Further Information: Moot are a three piece group, who perform traditional Manx songs in a contemporary style. A moot is a colloquial term for a turnip.

Suggested Links: Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus, Question and Answer); *Ushag Veg Ruy* is available in a three part arrangement for Girls' choir.

NB. Spellings of Ceili [Irish] or Ceilidh [Scottish] are both valid in the Isle of Man. NB. Ireland (Eire), Scotland, Cornwall, Wales, Brittany and the Isle of Man are traditionally recognised as the Celtic countries, but some Spanish and Portuguese areas [Celtic Iberia] are also considered Celtic e.g. Galicia and Asturias.

Celtic festivals regularly visited by Manx musicians include; Festival Interceltique in Lorient (Brittany), Speyfest (Scotland), Pontardawe (Wales), Lowender Peran (Cornwall), Festival Celtia de Corona (Galicia) and Feile Pan-Celtiagh (Ireland/Eire).

5b. Instrumentation [CD1/Tracks 23-34]

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

- · Each pictured instrument is demonstrated on CD1 [tracks 23-34].
- Two corresponding listening tests, with further extracts of each instrument and small groups of players, are on CD2 [tracks 1-20].
- · Pack includes quiz sheets, including a word search, crossword and bingo games.

Pronunciation and Meaning:

Bodhrán [Bow-ran or Ba-Ran]

Mactullagh Vannin [Mac-tull-agh (like 'loch') Vann-in] - Echoes of Mann

King Chiaullee [King Key-all-ee] - Music Heads

Phynnoddoree [commonly pronounced Fin-<u>or</u>-je-ree or Fin-<u>odd</u>-o-ree] – name of a mythical creature in the Isle of Man

Y Reesht! [Eh Reesht] - Again!

A whistle fingering chart is included in the appendices. It refers to the D whistle which bears similarities to the standard descant recorder fingering. A good melody to begin with is A Snieu Wheeyl Snieu [in D Major] or A Smuggler's Lullaby [listen to CD1/14 for an extract of the song].

NB.

- \cdot A bodhrán is traditionally made from goat's skin and is played with a tipper or beater.
- · Ornaments used in Manx music tend to follow Irish styles cuts and rolls.
- · Penny whistles are available to buy in most keys, although D major is the most common and is recommended for beginners. The much larger low whistle is also in D. Some accidentals can be played on whistles by certain fingering positions or by halving notes, so melodies are not entirely restricted to the key of the instrument.

6. Jigs, Reels and Airs [CD1/Tracks 35-46]

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student [pp. 13-25].

- Two written examples of each type are given [see below] and each melody is demonstrated on CD1 [tracks 35-46]; first by solo keyboard to demonstrate the melody as written, followed by a creative interpretation by a Manx folk group. These melodies can be performed on a keyboard or by other instruments in C.
- Two corresponding listening tests, with further extracts of each type, are on CD2 [tracks 21-40].

Activities:

- 8 bar composition in time signature of student's choice using given rhythms [p. 23]
- Simplified composition in Reel time signature [p. 24]
- Theory test [p. 25]

LISTENING - PERFORMANCE - COMPOSITION

NB. All melodies and chords have been transposed for easier playing on keyboards, where a knowledge of key signatures is not required.

For original keys, see Kiaull Yn Theay 1 [yellow] - KYT1. Kiaull yn Theay 2 [red] - KYT2.

Pronunciation, Meaning and Source:

Tracks

CD1/35+36. Gyn Ennym [Gin (not jin) Enn-em] – No Name.

KYT1:47.

CD1/37+38. Colbagh Breck [Col-bagh (like 'loch') Breck] – Speckled Heifer.

KYT1:37.

KYT1:63.

KYT1:51.

CD1/43+44. *Arrane Saveenagh* [A-<u>rairn Sav</u>een-agh] – Slumber Song. KYT1:48.

CD1/45+46. *Ushtey Millish 'sy Garey* [Ush-cha Mill-ish-sy Gare-y] – Sweet Water in the Common.

KYT2:89.

7. Modes [CD1/Tracks 47-58] Dorian, Aeolian and Mixolydian

Depending on the preference of each music department, information sheets could be read out to the class, summarised as class worksheets or photocopied for each student.

- Two written examples of each mode are given [see below] and each melody is demonstrated on CD1 [tracks 47-58]; first by solo keyboard to demonstrate the melody as written, followed by a creative interpretation by a Manx folk group. These melodies can be performed on a keyboard or by other instruments in C.
- Pack includes information sheets on each mode, two melody sheets per mode and a Modal Composition sheet which can be developed from the previous Rhythmic Composition.

NB. DORIAN is the most common mode in Manx folk music, although major and minor keys are also prevalent. Aeolian and Mixolydian modes are present within the corpus but examples are fewer. There are also a handful of references to the Pentatonic mode. * Teachers may choose to focus on the DORIAN mode only.

LISTENING - PERFORMANCE - COMPOSITION

NB. All melodies and chords have been transposed for easier playing on keyboards, where a previous knowledge of key signatures is not required. For original keys, see *Kiaull Yn Theay 1* [yellow] - KYT1. *Kiaull yn Theay 2* [red] - KYT2.

Pronunciation, Meaning and Source:

CD1/47+48. DORIAN *Cum y Chenn Oanrey Cheh* [Come a <u>shenn own</u>-ra share] – Keep the Old Petticoat Warm.

KYT2:21.

CD1/49+50. DORIAN. *Arrane Sooree* [A-<u>rairn Soo</u>-ree] – Courting Song.

■ KYT1:40.

CD1/51+52. AEOLIAN. *Juan y Jaggad Keeir* [Jew-an a Jagg-ad Kare] – John with the Grey Jacket. KYT1:10.

CD1/53+54. AEOLIAN. Three Little Boats.

KYT1:68.

CD1/55+56. MIXOLYDIAN. *Vel shiuish Ben-Aeg ny Ben-y-Phoosee?* [Vell shoosh ben-egg na <u>foo</u>-zey] − Are you a maid or a married wife?

KYT2:41

CD1/57+58. MIXOLYDIAN. *My Veiryn Cloie y Layrm* [Ma <u>vear</u>-in cloy a larr-im] – My fingers playing tattoo [tapping]. KYT2:75.



Notes - CD 2 – Listening Tests

CD2 accompanies the multiple choice test sheets in the Manx music course.

Tracks 1-20 Instrumentation Test

Tracks 21-40 Jigs, Reels and Airs Listening Test

Tracks 41-60 Manx Music – Listen and Play Final Test

5. Instrumentation Test [CD2/Tracks 1-20]

- · Student worksheets are provided with multiple choice answers
- · Answers are provided on separate sheets for teachers

Pronunciation and Meaning:

Bodhrán [Bow-ran or Ba-Ran]

Mactullagh Vannin [Mac-tull-ack Vannin] - Echoes of Mann

King Chiaullee [King Key-all-ee] - Music Heads

Phynnoddoree [commonly pronounced Fin-<u>or</u>-je-ree or Fin-<u>odd</u>-o-ree] – name of a mythical creature in the Isle of Man

Y Reesht! [Eh Reesht] – Again

Arraneyn Beeal-arrish Vannin [A-rairn-in beal-arr-ish Vann-in] – Folk songs of Mann

Baase Cooil Stroo [Base cool strew] - Undercurrent

Sheean Raah [sheen rare] – Successful Noise

Mooinjey Veggey [Mun-ja <u>vay</u>-ga] – Little People (Fairies)

CD2/Tracks 1-20 are extracts of the various instruments found in Manx folk music, either played on their own or as small ensembles.

From multiple choice answers, students identify the instruments on each track.

Each example is repeated after a two second pause.

Instrum	entation Test 1	Instrumentation Test 2		
Track:	Answer	Track:	Answer	
CD2/01	Whistle	CD2/11	Choir	
CD2/02	Accordion	CD2/12	Harmonica	
CD2/03	Banjo	CD2/13	Whistle and Bodhrán	
CD2/04	Solo Voice	CD2/14	Voice and Harp	
CD2/05	Bodhrán	CD2/15	Fiddle and Guitar	
CD2/06	Fiddle	CD2/16	Banjo and Bodhrán	
CD2/07	Mandolin	CD2/17	Accordion and Guitar	
CD2/08	Flute	CD2/18	Whistle and Harp	
CD2/09	Guitar	CD2/19	Mandolin and Guitar	
CD2/10	Harp	CD2/20	Flute, Fiddle and Accordion	



6. Jigs, Reels and Airs Listening Test [CD2/Tracks 21-40]

- · Student worksheets are provided with multiple choice answers
- · Answers are provided on separate sheets for teachers

CD2/Tracks 21-40 accompany test sheets on time signatures, where students are required to distinguish between the jig, reel and air or 6/8, 4/4 and 3/4. Each example is repeated after a two second pause.

Track no., Answer, Title, Pronunciation, Meaning and Source:

Jigs, Reels and Airs Test 1

- CD2/21 JIG. Flitter Dance (Gaelic-Flitterdausey) KYT2:43.
- CD2/22 REEL. Ballakilleoin by Peddyr Cubberley. Private Source.
- CD2/23 AIR. Arrane y Chlean [A-rairn a clean] Cradle Song. KYT1:55.
- CD2/24 JIG. Here Comes Tom Duke a-riding. KYT1:22.
- **CD2/25 JIG.** *Benrein ny Boaldyn* [Ben-rein na <u>Bowld</u>-in] Queen of the May. Rinkaghyn Vannin: 31..
- **CD2/26 AIR.** *Grain Foalsey* [Gry-a Fol-sa] False Love. KYT1:8.
- CD2/27 JIG. Creg Willy Syl [Cregg Will-y Sil] Willy Sylvesters' Rock. KYT1:64.
- CD2/28 REEL. William and Mary. n/a.
- **CD2/29 JIG.** *Yn Mheillea* [In Mell-ya] The Harvest. KYT1:51.
- CD2/30 AIR. Arrane Ghelby [A-rairn Ghell-by] Song of the Water Kelpie. KYT1:13.

Jigs, Reels and Airs Test 2

- CD2/31 JIG. Three Little Boats. KYT1:68.
- CD2/32 JIG. Manx Jig. Leighton Stowell Book of Manx Dances: 12-3.
- CD2/33 AIR. A Tune for Grandad by Katie Lawrence. n/a
- CD2/34 JIG. Fathaby Jig. KYT2:17.
- **CD2/35 JIG.** *Moirrey ny Cainle* [Morr-a na <u>guy</u>-nal] Mary of the Candle. KYT1:33.
- CD2/36 REEL. Car Juan Nan [Car Jew-an nan] Juan Nan's Reel. KYT1:7.
- **CD2/37 AIR.** *Arrane Chlean* [A-rairn a clean] Cradle Song. KYT1:55.
- CD2/38 JIG. Haste to the West (Thurot). KYT1:67.
- **CD2/39 AIR.** *Ooill er yn Ushtey* [Oil eh in <u>Ush</u>-cha] Oil on the Water by Cinzia Curtis. n/a
- **CD2/40 JIG.** *Car ny Ferrishyn* [Car na <u>Ferr</u>-ish-in] Fairy Dance, as in Scotland. KYT1:63.

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8. Manx Music – Listen and Play Test [CD2/Tracks 41-60]

- · Student worksheets are provided with multiple choice answers
- · Answers are provided on separate sheets for teachers
- · For each 4 part test, the bare melody is first demonstrated on the CD.
- · With the multiple choice worksheets, students recognise the instrumentation (including types of ensemble) of four different interpretations of each melody, and finally choose their preferred version, commenting on style, tempo, mood etc.
- · Students could be given written music to study and perform with the suggested chords.

LISTENING - PERFORMANCE

TEST 1. CD2/41-45. Tra Va Ruggit Creest – When Christ was Born.

[track 41] Demonstration melody.

Answers:

1. [42] *CHOIR* [Cliogaree Twoaie] **2.** [43] *FOLK GROUP* [Mactullagh Vannin] **3.** [44] *SOLO PIANO* [J.F. Woolley] **4.** [45] *ORCHESTRA* [arr. Haydn Wood].

Words of 1st verse and chorus: Translation:

Tra va ruggit Creest jeh Moirrey seyr
Ayns Bethlehem ard-valley cair,
When Christ was born of Mary pure
In Bethlehem, that town so far,

In excelsis Gloria! In excelsis Gloria!

In excelsis Gloria! In excelsis Gloria! In excelsis Gloria! In excelsis Gloria!

Va'n ainleyn goaill arrane 'syn aer, The angels' song rang through the air,

In excelsis Gloria! In excelsis Gloria!

Source: KYT2:36-7, Ree ny Marrey: 76-7.

Further Information: This Christmas carol is also known as *The Good Old Way* in Methodist hymn books. It was collected from the oral tradition and nowadays it is often played as a Manx folk tune.

Suggested Links: Devotional/Religious music; Form and Structure (Verse and Chorus).

TEST 2. CD2/46-50. *My Caillin Veg Dhone* [Ma <u>Kall</u>-yin vegg <u>Doan</u>] – My Little Brown Girl. [**track 46**] Demonstration melody.

Answers:

1. [47] *SOLO VOICE* [Brian Stowell] **2.** [48] *SOLO VOICE & STRING GROUP* [Graham Crowe] **3.** [49] *SOLO PIANO* [J.F. Woolley] **4.** [50] *CHOIR* [Glasgow Hebridean Choir].



Words of 1st verse:

Cre raad t'ou goll my chaillin veg dhone? As c'raad t'ou goll my chaillin veg aeg? Cre raad t'ou goll my aalin, my eayn? Ta mee goll dys yn woaillee, dooyrt ee.

Translation:

Where are you going, my little brown girl? And where are you going, my little girl? Where are you going, my beauty, my lamb? I am going to the fold, says she.

Source: KYT1:59, Ree ny Marrey: 74, Manx Ballads and Music: 49.

Further Information: This song is very old and many variants were found in the Isle of

Man. W.H. Gill used the melody for his song, Fair Maids of Mann, MNSB: 55.

Suggested Links: Question and Answer song;

TEST 3. CD2/51-55. *Ny Kirree Fo Niaghtey* [Na Kirr-ey fo <u>Niagh</u>-ta] – The Sheep Under the Snow. **[track 51]** Demonstration melody.

Answers:

1. [52] *HARP & FIDDLE* [Charles Guard & Bernard Osborne] **2.** [53] *ORCHESTRA* [arr. Haydn Wood] **3.** [54] *SOLO VOICE* [Joe Woods] **4.** [55] *ORCHESTRA* [arr. Malcolm Arnold].

Words of 1st verse and chorus: Translation:

Lurg geurey dy niaghtey,
As arragh dy rio,
And spring-tide of frost,
Va ny shenn chirree marroo,
As n'eayin beggey vio.
Oh! irree shiu boch'llyn,
After winter of snow,
And spring-tide of frost,
The old sheep were dead.
And the small lambs alive.
Oh! get up ye shepherds, and

As gow shiu da'n chlieau, To the hill go ye,

Ta ny kirree fo niaghtey, For the sheep deep as ever

Cha dowin as v'ad rieau. Are under the snow

Source: KYT1:20, MBM: 186-8 (words).

Further Information: This is one of the most prolific Manx folk songs, with lots of variants. Also spelt, *Ne Kirree Fo'n Sniaghtey* (Mona Melodies) MNSB: 176-7. W.H. Gill re-popularised the song in Manx National Song Book with his new English lyrics.

TEST 4. CD2/56-60. *Eunyssagh Vona* [You-na-sagh (like 'Loch') Vo-na] – Mona's Delight. KYT1:1. [track 56] Demonstration melody.

Answers:

1. [57] FOLK GROUP [Manx Folk Dance Society] 2. [58] SOLO HARMONICA [Joe Woods] 3. [59] SOLO VOICE & FOLK GROUP [The Mollag Band] 4. [60] FOLK GROUP [Sheean Raah].

Source: Kiaull yn Theay 1:1.

Further Information: A Manx dance tune collected by Mona Douglas. The Mollag Band used the theme of the melody for their song, *The King and the Queen* (also known as *The Cuckoo Song*).

Suggested Links: Music for Dance.

See CD1: 1. Listening Example 3 [Track 03] for another example.

Folk music is the music of the people

1. Manx Music - The Oral Tradition



Folk Music from an Oral Tradition

- Songs and melodies which are not written down.
- Tunes and words are learnt by ear and memorised.
- They are passed down from one generation to the next or from one person to another.
- These tunes change gradually over time making *variations*.

Rescue Mission

- In the 19th century, collections of folk songs were made all over the world.
- In the Isle of Man, several collectors visited old country people who sang or played Manx tunes by memory.
- As there were no recording devices at this time, the collectors had to write down the songs, music and dances as they were performed.

Decline of the Manx Oral Tradition

- Less and less Manx people spoke Gaelic by the 19th century.
- More and more people moved from the country into the towns for work, where the use of English was required.
- Manx people began to forget their old Gaelic songs and sang in English instead.
- Methodism encouraged more hymn singing and less dance music.
- The Tourism boom popularised Music Hall songs in English.

Manx Gaelic is a Celtic language which is related to Scottish and Irish Gaelic

Folk Music Collecting

In the Isle of Man collectors included:

- Brothers W.H. and J.F. Gill
- Dr John Claque
- Mr Arthur W. Moore
- Miss Mona Douglas
 Most of these collections are in the Manx Museum.

This wasn't easy!
Try writing down a
poem or short story
as someone reads it
out loud.

Types of Manx Music found by the collectors

We rescued those tunes from the old folks before they were forgotten!

Folk Songs

- Songs in both Gaelic and English
- Work songs
- Songs about folklore and customs
- Ballads (stories told through singing).

Religious Music

- Carvals (often very long Gaelic carols)
- Hymns in Manx and English Sometimes only the

hymn or carval melody was remembered by the musician.

Dance Tunes

- Rhythmical tunes which accompanied dances, like the jig and the reel.

1a. Manx Music - The Oral Tradition

Folk Songs in Manx Gaelic and English

The 19th and early 20th century collectors heard these folk songs sung solo without accompaniment. They included songs about love, famous battles, farming and fishing, fairy tales and calendar customs.

Have you heard of **Hop-tu-Naa?** [nay] It's the Manx version of Hallowe'en that has songs and a dance which are traditionally performed on the 31st of October (the last night of the old Celtic Year) with a turnip lantern. Hop-tu-naa is thought to mean 'out with the old and in with the new' like Hogmanay in Scotland.

Listening Example 1

The collector Mona Douglas sings a Manx Gaelic song called 'Arrane ny Vlieun' (also known as 'Cur Dty Vainney). It is a work song about milking and she collected it in the early 20th century.

Listening Example 2

Hunt the Wren is a very old custom associated with St. Stephen's Day (Boxing Day/26th December). In the Isle of Man there is a particular song and dance which is performed on that day. The tradition of hunting the wren is also found in Ireland. Here's Staa performing part of the song.

Dance Tunes

The collectors heard dance tunes sung and played on instruments. The most popular instrument for accompanying dancing was the fiddle (violin). The dance styles found here are similar to those found elsewhere in the British Isles and include the jig and reel.

Listening Example 3

Folk group Phynnodderee play the dance tune 'Eunyssagh Vona' (Mona's Delight) on fiddles, accordion and bodhrán.

Carvals

Carvals were often very long carols about themes from the Bible. They were originally performed by male solo singers on the Oie'll Verrey [Old Christmas Eve] in churches around the Isle of Man.

Listening Example 4

Here, the choir Cliogaree Twoaie sing 'Carval ny Drogh Vraane' which means 'Carol of the Bad Women'.

19th Century Hymns and West Gallery Music

Before country churches had organs, local musicians would accompany the congregational hymns from the west gallery of the church on instruments like the violin, cello, flute and bassoon. Many Manx players wrote their own hymns and arrangements and they often also played for local dances. Lots of hymns known from the Manx churches were found in the oral tradition, and some folk song melodies were also used in the church.

Listening Example 5

Caarjyn Cooidjagh perform 'The Promised Land', a hymn found in 19th century Manx music books.

If a collector asked you to sing some songs or tunes by memory, which ones would you perform?

2. Manx Music - National & Classical

National Music

- In the 18th and 19th centuries it was fashionable to publish folk songs in the form of 'national song books' and to compose national anthems for each country.
- The original folk songs were often thought of as too primitive, so the words and melodies were 'improved' and classical piano accompaniments were composed.
- Most wealthy homes had pianos at this time so singing folk songs in the home was a popular form of 'salon music'.



The first publication of Manx folk songs was in 1820, a book of 13 songs for voice and piano called *Mona Melodies*.

Classical Music

- Classical composers also use folk melodies in their music.
- British composers including Haydn Wood, Vaughan Williams, Arnold Foster, Arthur Somervell, Ronald Stevenson, George Tootell and Malcolm Arnold have all composed orchestral or vocal works based on Manx folk songs and melodies.
- Manx poems have also been set to music. One Manx poet was the Rev. T.E. Brown and the famous composer Edward Elgar set one of his poems to music.

National songs became very popular in the Isle of Man and they are still sung in competitions like the *Guild* [the Manx Music Festival] and at local *eisteddfods* and *cruinnaghts* around the Island.

- In 1896 one of the Victorian collectors, W.H. Gill arranged a selection of their collected folk songs for the voice and piano. This publication was called *Manx National Songs* and it is still used in the Isle of Man today (now known as *The Manx National Song Book*).
- Miss M L Wood arranged folk songs for a book called *Manx Ballads and Music* (Moore 1896).
- The collector, Mona Douglas, published Manx folk songs arranged by composer Arnold Foster.

National Songs

Although most of the melodies were traditional, many of the lyrics were especially composed to celebrate the Isle of Man using familiar themes:

- traditional trades (such as fishing and farming)
- historical tales
- emigration
- placenames in the Island
- local historical heroes like 'Orry the Dane'.

Have a look in the *Manx National* Song Book to find some examples

As Manx Gaelic was only understood and spoken by a few people by the end of the 19th century, some of these songs were written in the Anglo-Manx dialect (a distinctive form of English spoken by Manx people).

2a. Manx Music - National and Classical

The Manx National Anthem

Just as England has 'God Save the Queen', the Isle of Man has its own National Anthem known as 'O Land of our Birth'. Composed by the folk song collector W.H. Gill in 1907, it is based on the Manx folk melody, 'Mylecharane's March'.

> Ellan Vannin is Manx Gaelic for the Isle of Man.

Songs about the Isle of Man

- 'Ellan Vannin' is a very well known song in the Isle of Man and it was first published in 1854. This song was especially popular with Manx people who had emigrated to other parts of the world, such as America and Australia, as it reminded them of home.
- Known as 'Mother of Manx Music' and founder of the Guild, Miss Mary L. Wood (1857-1925) wrote songs and hymns about the Isle of Man. One of her songs was 'The Bells of Old Kirk Braddan'.

National Songs

To produce Manx National Songs, W.H. Gill adapted folk songs found in the Isle of Man by adding piano accompaniments and new words based on Manx themes.

Classical arrangements of Manx music

- Haydn Wood [pronounced Hay-den] was a well-known British song writer in the 1900s and as he was brought up in the Island, he regularly used Manx folk music in his orchestral works.
- Ralph Vaughan Williams was a very famous English composer who often used folk melodies in his compositions. He used the Manx song 'Clean Suggane' (also known as 'Invocation to St. Bridget') in a choral piece called 'Mannin Veen' (1912).

Listening Example 1

Here are the Regal Singers and Musicalé singing the first verse of the Island's national anthem:

O land of our birth,

O gem of God's earth

O Island so strong and so fair;

Built firm as Barrool.

Thy throne of Home Rule

Makes us free as thy sweet mountain air.

Listening Example 2

song!! Local singers, Christine Bregazzi and Barbara Gale perform 'Ellan Vannin' (words by Eliza Craven Green and music by J. Townsend) as a duet. Here's the first verse: When the summer day is over and its busy cares have flown,

I sit beneath the starlight with a weary heart alone.

Then rises like a vision, sparkling bright in nature's glee,

My own dear Ellan Vannin with its green hills by the sea.

Listening Example 3

W.H. Gill based the song 'A Manx Wedding' on the folk tune, 'Car y Phoosee' (Song/Dance of the Wedding) and he wrote the words in the Anglo-Manx dialect. This extract is performed by Harmony.

Listening Example 4

Haydn Wood based this orchestral piece on one Manx folk melody. The Slovak Symphony Orchestra perform 'Rhapsody Mylecharane'.

Listening Example 5

The Holst singers perform 'Mannin Veen' with the words translated into English.

The Bee Gees

recorded this

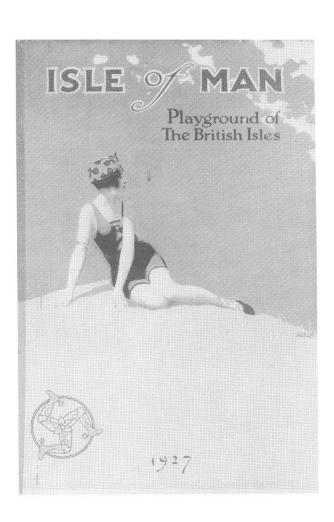
3. Manx Music - Music Hall and Tourist Music

Music Hall Songs

- Music Hall was a form of British theatrical entertainment which was popular between 1850 and 1960.
- It involved a mixture of popular song, comedy and speciality acts.
- The music hall circuit produced songs which became popular all over Britain.
- Performers like George Formby became famous as they toured the music halls (theatres) around Britain with such as 'When I'm Cleaning Windows'.

Ukulele player George Formby sang 'Riding in the T.T. races' in his film 'No Limits' (1935).





The Isle of Man as a Holiday Destination

- Improvements in conditions for British factory workers in the 19th century meant that they were allowed a week's holiday every year.
- The Isle of Man became a very popular resort for visitors from Northern England and Scotland.
- From the 1870s, approximately 100,000 visitors arrived by boat every year.
- Non-stop entertainment was provided throughout the summer by popular singers, orchestras, dance bands, minstrel acts etc.

Resorts in the Isle of Man

- Douglas was full of hotels and venues including the Villa Marina, Derby Castle, The Gaiety and the Palace Ballroom.
- Pleasure parks like Silverdale, Groudle Glen, Glen Helen, Injebreck, Mooragh Park and Laxey Glen Gardens would provide daily live music during the summer season.

Tourist Song Sheets

- Songs were written especially for the tourist market and were performed at the music halls.
- Visitors could often buy the sheet music as a souvenir of their stay in the Isle of Man.
- The songs were very catchy with choruses for everyone to join in.
- Some songs belonged to more than one place.
 The line "Kelly from the Isle of Man"
 (from 'Has Anybody here seen Kelly?') later
 travelled to America and became "Kelly from
 the Emerald Isle (Ireland)"!!

'The Pride of Port-le-Murra' (Port St. Mary) was written by Harry Wood and was part of a show. This version is recorded by Musicalé.

Listening Example 1

The Nickey mentioned in this song was a type of Manx fishing boat used in the 19th century.



Music hall Composers

- For the Island audiences, composers wrote comical songs about local Manx place names and characters.
- Harry Wood was the older brother of classical composer Haydn Wood, and he wrote many songs for the music hall stage. He was brought up in the Isle of Man, but many writers of the tourist songs weren't.
- Other songwriters included C.W.
 Murphy, Will Letters and Carl Reber.

Listening Example 2

'The Dear Old Isle of Man' was written in 1929 and was a good advertisement for the Isle of Man.

This extract is performed by Val Kissack and Wylie McDowell.

Some more Manx Music Hall Songs

- The Isle of Man: Why not the Isle of Girls?
- Riding in the T.T. Races
- Sweet Isle of Mona
- Fancy Meeting you at the Isle of Man
- There Must be Something Nice about the Isle of Man
- Dear Island of Mona
- A Trip to the Isle of Man
- We Must Have a Song about the Isle of Man
- Kelly the Carman
- Hi Kelly!
- Sweet Molly from Mona's Isle Some of these are printed in the Manx National Song Book [Vol. 2]



Listening Example 3

'Flanagan' was made famous by singer Florrie Forde, a regular performer in the Isle of Man who also sang 'Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly? This extract is performed by Val Kissack and Wylie McDowell.

4. Manx Music - Folk Music from the 1960s

The Folk Revival

- In the 1960s, folk songs became very popular amongst young people in America and Europe.
- American musicians such as Bob Dylan and Simon and Garfunkel turned to the old singers and folk music collections to find songs to perform.
- In turn, countries in the British Isles began to look at their own regional songs and traditions.
- New songs were composed on themes associated with the working classes, including songs about traditional industries (such as mining, fishing, farming and transport).

1960s Folk Music in the Isle of Man

- Manx groups including 'Mannin Folk' performed well-known folk songs like 'Whiskey in the Jar', but they also began to look for Manx songs.
- They started singing folk songs collected in the 19th century, songs from *Manx National Songs* and new songs about the Isle of Man (mostly written by Stuart Slack).

Stuart Slack wrote lots
of songs about the
Island including 'The
Laxey Wheel', 'Ride the
Rails' and 'Foxdale
Miner'.

For instance, Roger Pullin wrote 'Song for the Terns' in 1968 in response to a proposed oil refinery which threatened the birdlife in the Island. You can find this song in the Manx National Song Book.

Reasons for the Folk Revival

- The Peace movement encouraged people to reject modern commercialism and mass musicmaking by record companies.
- Folk songs were seen as the authentic music of the working classes and more real than the "meaningless" pop music of the day.
- Singing folk music seemed more accessible than other forms of music folk clubs encouraged everyone to join in with the singing and playing the guitar became very popular.

A Revival is a movement which renews interest in a tradition associated with the past



Protest Songs

- Because the folk music scene empathised with working class culture, it also became a forum for political expression through song.
- All over Britain new songs were written which displayed discontent with government policies, work conditions and environmental issues.

Protest Music in the Isle of Man

- Songs and poetry have been written by Manx people regarding local environmental issues and government policies such as immigration, the building of new houses, the closure of public footpaths and the cost of living.

4a. Manx Music - From the 1960s

Rediscovering Old Folk Songs

- From the 1960s, folk groups started singing old folk songs associated with their locality.
- In the Isle of Man, groups began to use Manx Gaelic in their songs and started playing forgotten tunes from the original collections on 'folk' instruments.

New Folk Songs

- New folk songs were often concerned with traditional industries in the Isle of Man, such as the railways, fishing and mining.
- Songs were also written about historical events in the Island, such as 'The Ellan Vannin Tragedy' a song about a Manx passenger ship which sank in 1909. This was written by well known English folk group 'The Spinners' but it has since been recorded by local groups, Mannin Folk and The Stationary Wilberries.

Protest Songs

Since the 1980s folk-rock group 'The Mollag Band' have been at the forefront of the protest music scene in the Isle of Man, writing songs about politics and the environment. Their style is modern, and they use both English and Manx in their songs.

In Protest Songs, the words are very important in order to deliver the message to the audience.

Manx musicians have set music to poems by local poet Paul Lebiedzinsky and others. Other artistes take a comical approach, such as Dot Tilbury, who writes songs which poke fun at the government and local politicians in the Island.

Listening Example 1

This is Marlene Hendy with Mannin Folk singing 'Smuggler's Lullaby' which was collected by Mona Douglas. She sings in a mix of English and Manx.

Listening Example 2

Mannin Folk perform 'Foxdale Miner' which was written by local songwriter Stuart Slack.

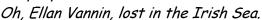


Listening Example 3

Here's Mannin Folk again singing the first verse of 'The Ellan Vannin Tragedy'.

Snaefell, Tynwald, Ben my Chree,
Fourteen ships have sailed the sea
Proudly bearing a Manx name,
But there's one will never again.

Oh, Ellan Vannin, of the Isle of Man
Company,



Listening Example 4

The Mollag Band sing 'Langness', a song written in response to plans to turn the area of Langness into a golf course, in turn destroying the habitat of a rare species of grasshopper. Luckily, plans didn't go ahead. Here's the chorus:

And who of you will cut down all the long green grass at Langness,

To build a fine golf course with velvet paths that we can ride.

18 holes with little red flags on Langness,

18 monuments to genocide.

Listening Example 5

Here are The Mollag Band (featuring Sam Brown) singing about the potential extinction of the basking shark in 'Don't Hurt Me Now' .

5. Manx Folk Music Today

Today, there are lots of different types of music-making in the Isle of Man. However, the genre which most people associate with the words 'Manx music' is the Island's folk music.

Manx folk music is also included in the genre of 'Celtic Music'.

CELTIC MUSIC

- Although we also have a strong Norse heritage from the Viking migration, the Isle of Man is a *Celtic* country because it has an ancient and continuous *Celtic* language Manx Gaelic.
- The other Celtic countries are Scotland, Ireland, Cornwall (yes, it is a country in itself!), Wales and Brittany. They all have their own Celtic languages too, but Irish and Scottish are the most similar to Manx and were probably the same language.
- Much of Isle of Man's folklore and customs can be linked to its Celtic heritage, e.g. Mannanan, and this is also reflected through Manx folk music handed down through the oral tradition e.g. Gaelic songs and musical customs like Hop-tu-naa.



- In 1978, Colin Jerry published a selection of Manx tunes from the old collections; Kiaull yn Theay (Music of the People). This book has made Manx music accessible to more people and it is still available today.
- In the 1970s Colin and friends started playing the old melodies on folk instruments during informal sessions. The first purely Manx music session was called *Bwoie Doal* (Blind Boy, named after an old blind folk singer) and it still takes place in a Peel pub.

Where to find Manx folk music:

DANCE GROUPS - Live music is played for Manx dances.
There are several dance groups which anyone can join.
CEILIDHS/ceilis [pronounced 'caleys'] - Informal events where people join in with Manx folk dancing.
CELTIC FESTIVALS Here and Beyond - Yn Chruinnaght,
Shennaghys Jiu & Cooish are the main Manx festivals, and
Manx musicians also play in the other Celtic countries.
SESSIONS - informal music gatherings where anyone
(over 18) can join in - they're usually in a pub!
CONCERTS - as soloists, choirs, groups, or to accompany
Manx dancing displays.

SCHOOLS - Lots of schools are trying out Manx folk music by forming their own folk groups and Gaelic choirs. MANX RADIO - 'Claare ny Gael' features lots of Manx music.

5a. Manx Folk Music Today

Nowadays, Manx folk groups consist of a wide variety of popular instruments. These instruments are found in similar folk music traditions in the British Isles and some are also used in other music styles around the world, like the fiddle in country 'n' western, the flute in classical music or the guitar in pop music.

Manx folk songs can be sung unaccompanied or accompanied by an instrument or band.

As well as Solo singers, the Isle of Man also has many choirs who sing Manx songs in harmony or unison.

Old and new songs are sung in English or Manx Gaelic.

An instrumental folk group often has one or more **melodic** instrument to play the tune (e.g. a fiddle or whistle), a **rhythmic** instrument (e.g. a drum like a bodhrán) and/or an **accompanying** instrument (e.g. a guitar) which plays the chords, drone or bass notes.

There are no boundaries to the way Manx folk tunes should be played. Some bands play them with popular instruments or experiment with modern styles.

There are also many Manx soloists who specialise on melodic instruments such as the fiddle, flute, harp or whistle.

Listening Example 1

Here's Mannin Folk singing 'King of the Sea', a national song about herring! The melody was collected from the oral tradition. Originally arranged for voice and piano, Mannin Folk interpret the song in a more 'folky' style.



Listening Example 2

Paitchyn Vannin (Children of Mann) play the dance tune 'Shooyl Inneenyn' on instruments which are commonly associated with Manx folk music today. You can hear whistles, guitar, mandolin and bodhrán.

Folk musicians often use *ornaments* to add interest to a melody.

Listening Example 3

The Mollag Band play 'Fin as Oshin' on a more unusual set of instruments: Flutes, viola, bass guitar and drum kit.

Listening Example 4

Moot have experimented with the old folk song, 'Ushag Veg Ruy' (Little Red Bird). They accompany the solo voice with samples and improvisation on the flute.

Other contemporary Manx folk musicians and groups include; King Chiaullee, Kirsty & Katie Lawrence, Mactullagh Vannin, Phynnodderee, Skeeal, Staa, Emma Christian.

5b. Manx Folk Music - Instrumentation

Read through the following descriptions of each instrument associated with MANX MUSIC and listen to their examples [CD 1/Tracks 23-34].



1. FIDDLE

- Same instrument as the classical violin
- 4 Strings (bottom to top GDAE)
- Can be bowed or plucked
- Traditionally used to accompany folk dancing



3. FLUTE

- Either metal or wooden flutes are used in folk music to play the melodies
- Notes are produced by blowing across the mouthpiece and by pressing the keys or covering the finger holes





5. ACCORDION and CONCERTINA

- Related instruments which make a similar sound
- The bellows push air through metal reeds which produces the sound
- Also known as button or squeeze boxes
- Notes and chords are changed by pressing piano-style keys or buttons



2. PENNY WHISTLE

- Also known as tin whistle or flageolet
- The common D model is similar to the recorder
- The low whistle is a larger version which produces lower notes
- Notes are played by blowing through the mouthpiece and covering the 6 holes with different finger positions



4. MANDOLIN

- Has 8 strings (4 pairs of GDAE) which are the same as the fiddle
- Held like a guitar, it is plucked or strummed with a plectrum to produce either a bright sounding melody, chords or a tremolo effect



6. BANJO

- This instrument comes from America and usually has 4 or 5 strings
- Strings are plucked to play melody or to produce a tremolo effect



5b. Manx Folk Music - Instrumentation



7. BODHRÁN

- Pronounced Bow-ran or Ba-Ran (you choose!)
- Irish drum played with a stick (also known as tipper)



9. GUITAR

- The acoustic steel strung Guitar is most widely used for folk music although classical (nylon strung), electric and bass guitars are sometimes used
- 6 Strings (bottom to top EADGBE) are plucked or strummed to produce the melody or chords for accompanying a melody



8. CELTIC HARP

- Smaller than the orchestral harp
- 24 or more strings are plucked with fingers to produce a melody or chords



10. HARMONICA

- Also known as a Mouth Organ
- Small free reed instrument
- Popular in Blues music too

11. SOLO VOICE

- Traditionally in the Island, male and female voices would sing folk songs unaccompanied in English or Manx Gaelic
- Today, other instruments (the guitar in particular) are added as an accompaniment

12. CHOIR

- A choir is a group of singers who sing either in *harmony* (two or more notes are sung at the same time i.e. making chords) or in *unison* (the same notes are sung by everyone)

Other Instruments which can be found in Manx Folk Music

- Bouzouki, uillean pipes, bagpipes, piano, syntheziser, viola, drum-kit, 'cello, double bass, recorder, clarinet, cornet... (Anything goes!)

6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms Jigs, Reels & Airs

A Time Signature tells you how many beats are in a bar.

JIG - A JIG is a lively dance melody associated with the British Isles and the Isle of Man. Each bar has two groups of three quavers. You count TWO beats per bar. The jig has a SKIPPING feel to its rhythm.

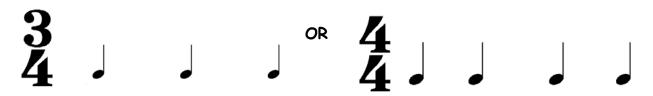


REEL - A REEL is another lively dance melody associated with the British Isles and the Isle of Man. Each bar has four crotchets. You count FOUR beats per bar. The reel has a RUNNING feel to its rhythm.



AIR - An AIR is a general term which means melody or tune. In folk music, it is usually used to describe a **slow** melody which often originated from a song. The words may have been forgotten long ago, but the tune may still exist. An air can be in **any** time signature although lots of Manx airs have THREE beats per bar. To spot an air, listen out for a **SLOW** melody, rather than a quick dance. The air has a **SINGING** feel to it.

e.g.



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6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms - JIGS

A JIG is a lively dance melody associated with the British Isles. It is usually in the time signature of \S although the slip jig is in

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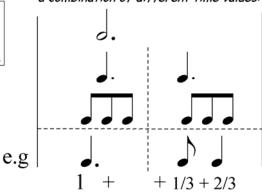
We will concentrate on $\frac{6}{8}$ as a time signature for an JIG.

The time signature indicates that each bar totals 6 quavers (quavers are indicated by the 8). However, because of the particular emphasis on the 1st and 4th quavers in this time signature, each bar is divided into TWO groups of three quavers i.e. 123 456.

Therefore the BEATS are dotted crotchets 🎝 and there are 2 per bar.

Each bar consists of 2 beats which can be made of a combination of different time values:

TO HELP YOU REMEMBER, THINK OF THE **JIG** AS A **SKIPPING** RHYTHM



1 x Dotted Minim

2 x Dotted Crotchets

6 x Quavers

= 2 dotted crotchet beats

Here's some examples of 2 beat bars with the various possible combinations of the time values:



Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar:



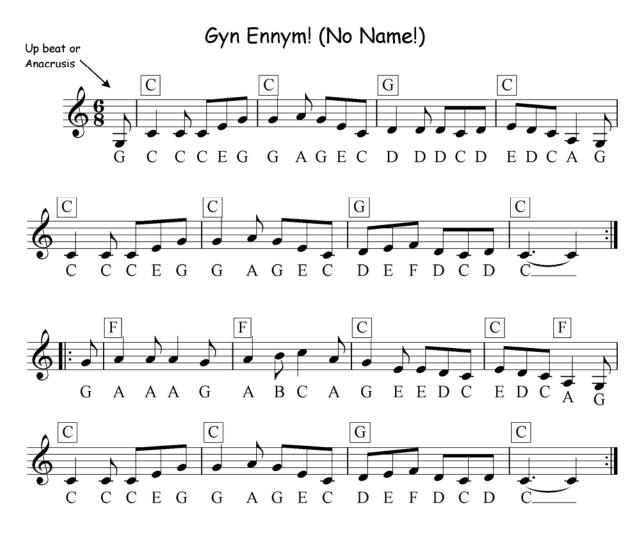
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6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

MANX JIG 1

The following melody is an example of a JIG found in the Isle of Man.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 3. Try playing this jig and chords on your instrument



This jig starts with an UP BEAT or ANACRUSIS. This first quaver leads up to the stronger beat of the next bar. Note that the final bar equals only 5 quavers which balances with the single quaver at the beginning to make a complete bar of 6/8.

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

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6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

MANX JIG 2

The following melody is an example of a JIG found in the Isle of Man.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 3. Try playing this jig and chords on your instrument

Colbagh Breck (Speckled Heifer)



I played the Melody/Chords/Both.

I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

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6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms - REELS

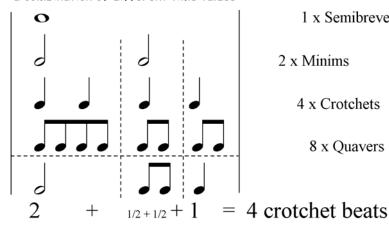
A REEL is another lively dance melody associated with the British Isles. It is usually in the time signature of $\frac{4}{4}$

4 4

The top number indicates how many beats in a bar i.e. 4 The bottom number indicates the length/value of each beat and in music 4 means CROTCHET i.e.

Each bar consists of 4 beats which can be made of a combination of different time values:

TO HELP YOU REMEMBER, THINK OF THE REEL AS A **RUNNING RHYTHM**



1 x Semibreve

2 x Minims

4 x Crotchets

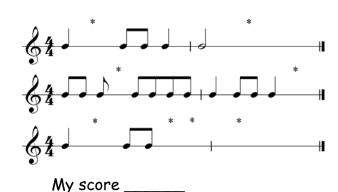
8 x Quavers

Here's some examples of 4 beat bars with the various possible combinations of the time values:

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Fill in the missing time values* to complete each bar:



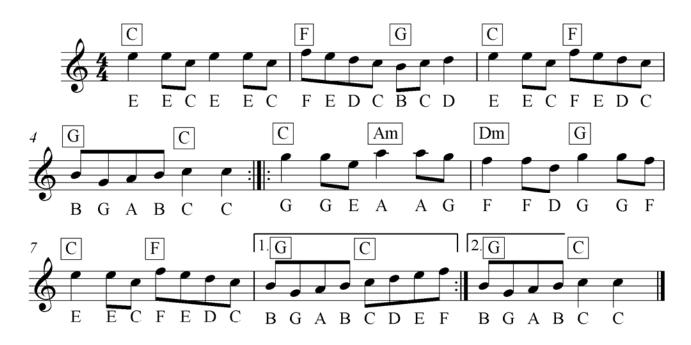
6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

MANX REEL 1

The following melody is an example of a REEL found in the Isle of Man.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- Try playing this reel and chords on your instrument

Car ny Ferrishyn [Fairy Dance]



This melody has 1st and 2nd time bars (bars 8 and 9) because the repeated section from bar 5 has two different endings. This means that when you reach the end of bar 8, you return to bar 5 and repeat the melody for a 2nd time. But this time, you skip bar 8 (1st time bar) and play bar 9 (2nd time) bar instead.

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

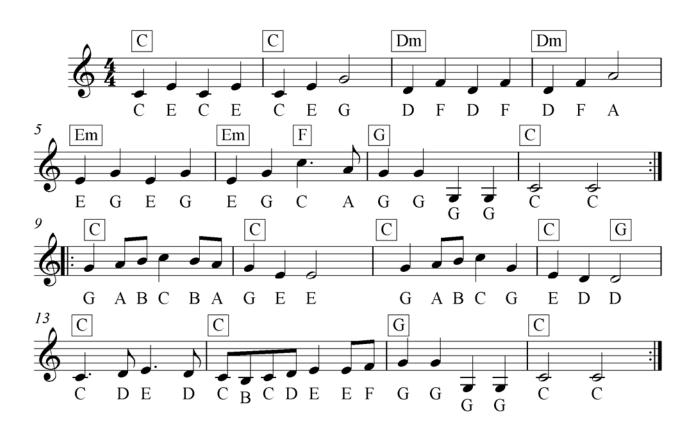
6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

MANX REEL 2

The following melody is an example of a REEL found in the Isle of Man.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by
- a Manx Group Write down which instruments you can hear
- 3. Try playing this reel and chords on your instrument

Car ny Rankee [Frenchman's Dance]



I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms - AIRS

An AIR is a general term which means melody or tune.

In folk music, it is usually used to describe a slow melody or a tune which originates from a song, which may or may not have words.

Because it is not associated with a particular type of dance or rhythm, an air can be in any time signature, although in Manx music $\frac{3}{4}$ is particularly common.

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We will concentrate on 3 as a time signature for an AIR

The top number indicates how many beats in a bar i.e. 3
The bottom number indicates the length/value of each beat and in music 4 means CROTCHET i.e.

TO HELP YOU REMEMBER, THINK OF THE AIR AS A SINGING RHYTHM

Each bar consists of 3 beats which can be made of a combination of different time values

In Manx folk music, songs were in either Manx Gaelic or English. A lot of melody titles suggest that they were once songs, even though their words may have been lost or forgotten. The Gaelic word ARRANE (pronounced 'a-rairn') is found in the titles of many Manx airs, and it means SONG.

e.g



1 x Dotted Minim

3 x Crotchets

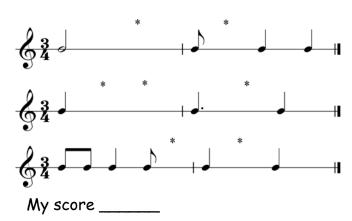
6 x Quavers

 $1 \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1 = 3$ crotchet beats

Here's some examples of 3 beat bars with the various possible combinations of the time values:



Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar:



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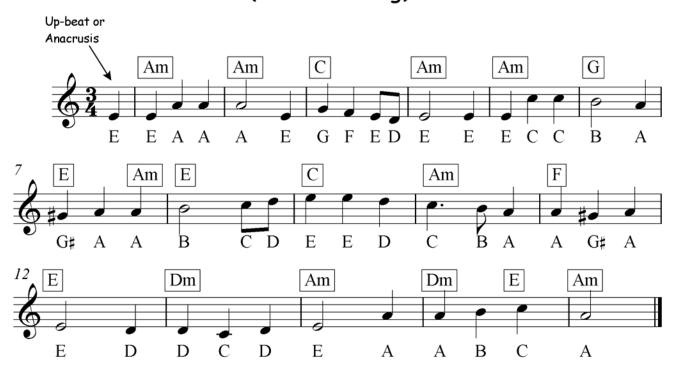
6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

MANX AIR 1

The following melody is an example of a AIR found in the Isle of Man.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 3. Try playing this air and chords on your instrument

Arrane Saveenagh (Slumber Song)



This melody contains an accidental - G# - the black note between F and G on the keyboard

I played the Melody/Chords/Both.

I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult

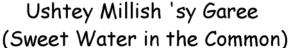
[Circle which applies to you]

6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

MANX AIR 2

The following melody is an example of a AIR found in the Isle of Man.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 3. Try playing this air and chords on your instrument





This melody is in the time signature of 4 crotchet beats per bar

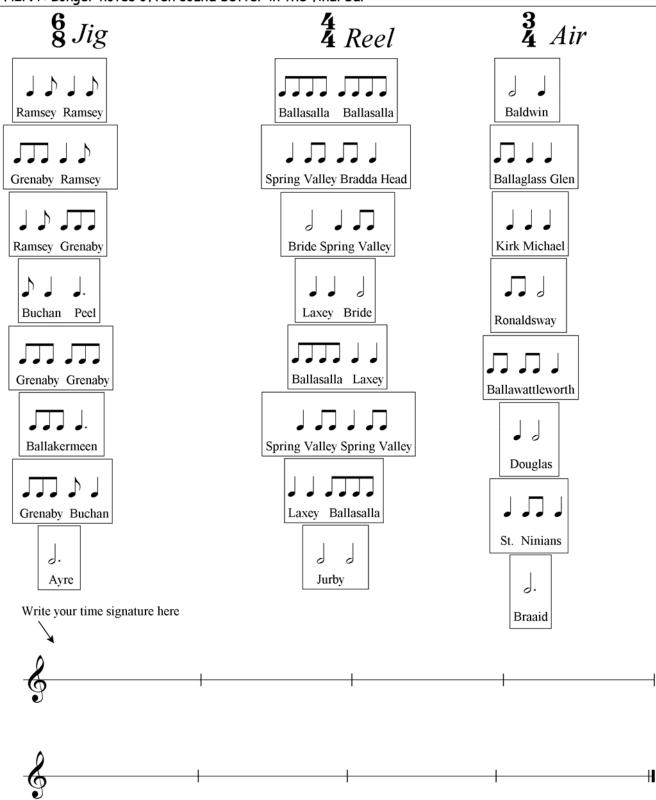
which means that there are

I played the Melody/Chords/Both.

/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms - COMPOSITION

- 1. Choose one of the time signatures below and write it at the beginning of your composition
- 2. Use the syllables of the Isle of Man placenames to help you clap or say the rhythms in each block
- 3. Choose a selection of 8 rhythmic bar blocks in your time signature to build your own composition and copy the rhythms onto the lines below you can use a rhythm block more than once if you like HINT: Longer notes often sound better in the final bar



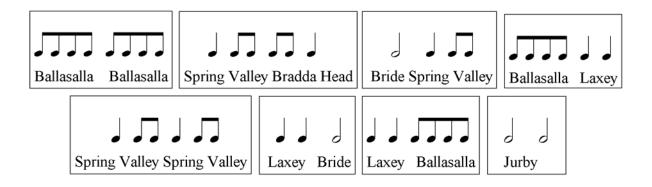
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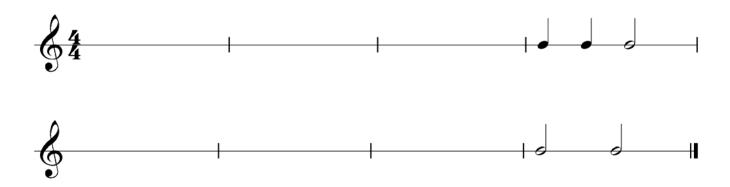
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6. Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms - REEL COMPOSITION

1. Use the syllables of the Isle of Man placenames to help you clap or say the rhythms in each block

2. Choose a selection of 6 rhythmic bar blocks to build your own composition by and copying the rhythms into the bars below - you can use a rhythm block more than once if you like NB. The 4th and 8th bars have already been filled in to help you





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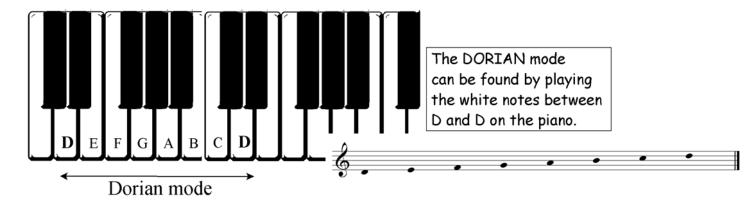
7. Manx Music - Modes

Like a musical scale, a MODE is a series of pitches.

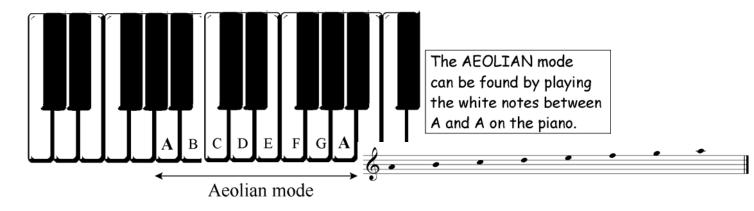
Modes are particularly associated with folk music and in Manx music, the most common modes are DORIAN, AEOLIAN and MIXOLYDIAN.

Play through the following modes on your keyboard:

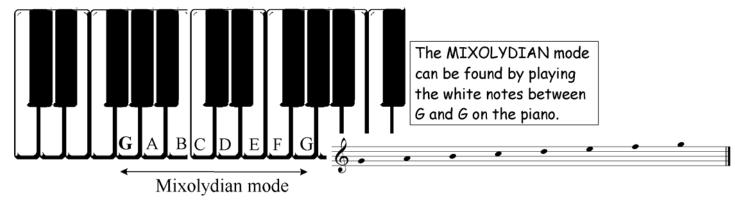
DORIAN



AEOLIAN



MIXOLYDIAN



7. Manx Music - Modes - DORIAN

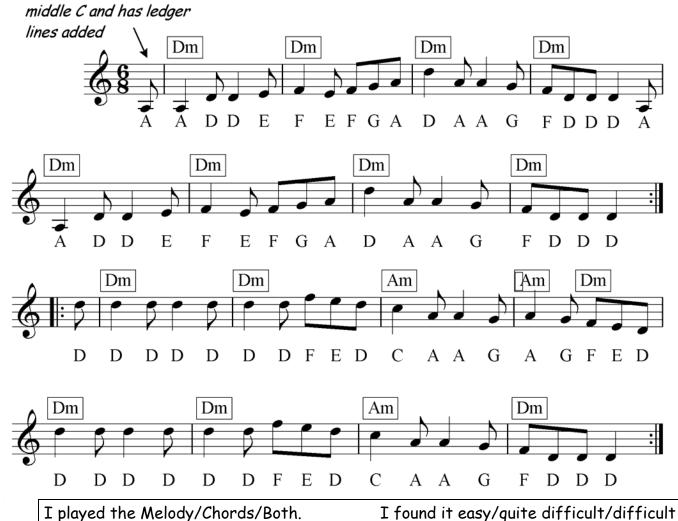
DORIAN TUNE 1

Here is an example of a Manx tune in the DORIAN mode.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 4. Try playing this Dorian melody and chords on your instrument

Cum y Chenn Oanrey Cheh (eep the Old Petticoat Warm)

This A is lower than (Keep the Old Petticoat Warm)



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7. Manx Music - Modes - DORIAN

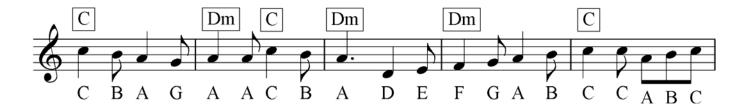
DORIAN TUNE 2

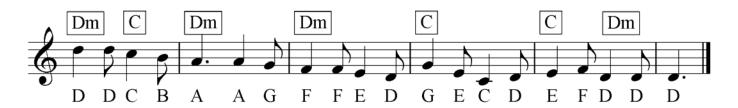
Here is an example of a Manx tune in the DORIAN mode.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by
- a Manx Group Write down which instruments you can hear
- 4. Try playing this Dorian melody and chords on your instrument

Arrane Sooree (Courting Song)







I played the Melody/Chords/Both.

I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult

[Circle which applies to you]

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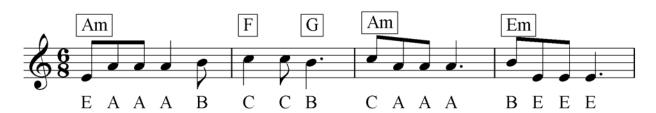
7. Manx Music - Modes - AEOLIAN

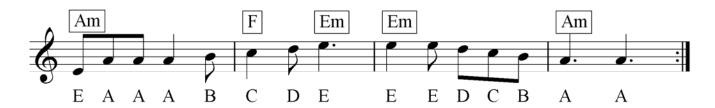
AEOLIAN TUNE 1

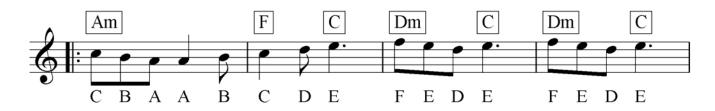
Here is an example of a Manx tune in the AEOLIAN mode.

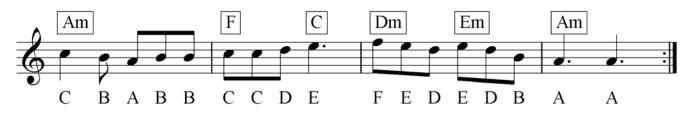
- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Man \times Group
- 4. Try playing this Aeolian melody and chords on your instrument

Three Little Boats









I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

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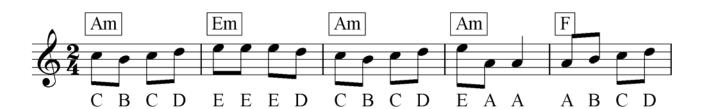
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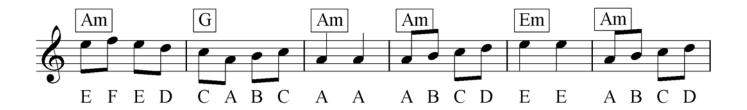
AEOLIAN TUNE 2

Here is an example of a Manx tune in the AEOLIAN mode.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 4. Try playing this Aeolian melody and chords on your instrument

Juan y Jaggad Keeir (John with the Grey Jacket)







I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

7. Manx Music - Modes - MIXOLYDIAN

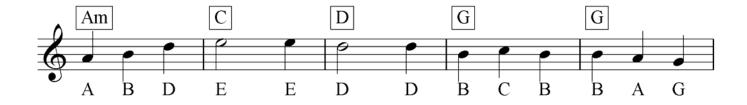
MIXOLYDIAN TUNE 1

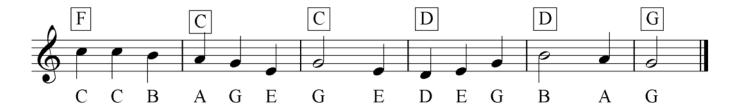
Here is an example of a Manx tune in the MIXOLYDIAN mode.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 4. Try playing this Mixolydian melody and chords on your instrument

Vel Shiuish Ben-Aeg ny Ben-y-Phoosee? (Are you a Maid or a Married Wife?)







I played the Melody/Chords/Both.

I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult

[Circle which applies to you]

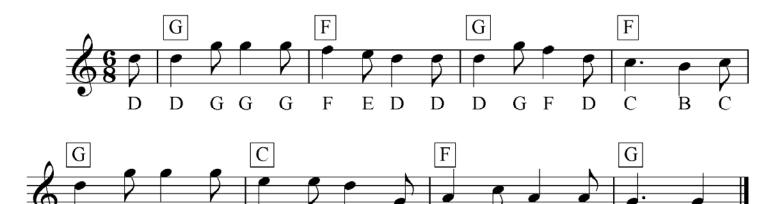
7. Manx Music - Modes - MIXOLYDIAN

MIXOLYDIAN TUNE 2

Here is an example of a Manx tune in the MIXOLYDIAN mode.

- 1. Follow the music and listen to the recorded extracts
- 2. The 1st excerpt is only the melody played on piano
- 3. The 2nd excerpt is an INTERPRETATION of the same music by a Manx Group
- 4. Try playing this Mixolydian melody and chords on your instrument

My Veiryn Cloie y Larym (My Fingers Playing Tattoo)



G

A

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

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7. Manx Music - Modes - COMPOSITION

1. Choose a time signature for the type of Manx folk melody you want to compose:

JIG

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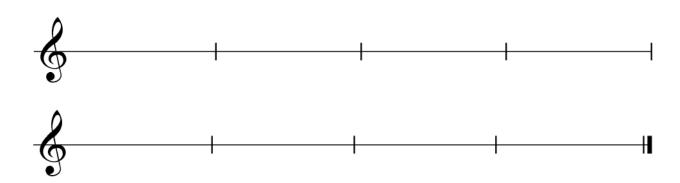
REEL

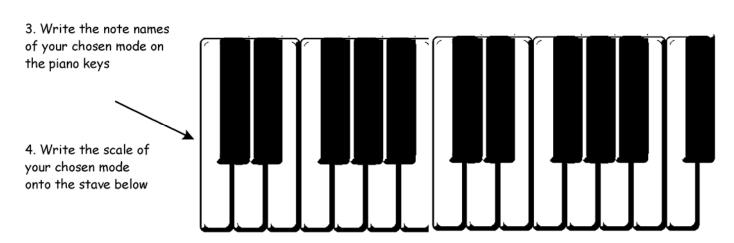
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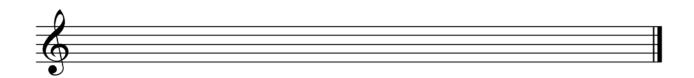
AIR

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2. Compose an 8 bar rhythm (or copy out the rhythmic composition from before) in your chosen time signature







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7. Manx Music - Modes - COMPOSITION (cont.)

5. Now choose notes from your mode and compose an 8 bar melody to fit your rhythm. Depending on your mode, try to start and end on the same note

i.e. Dorian - D, Aeolian - A and Mixolydian - G.

Write your completed melody out below and perform it on your instrument. You could even enter your Manx composition in the Cruinnaght Aeg Competition!

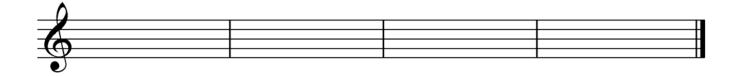
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Manx Folk Melody Composition

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1. MANX MUSIC - THE ORAL TRADITION

1. What is folk music?
2. Which countries have languages which are closely related to Manx Gaelic?
3. What is it called when songs are memorised and passed down from one generation to another?
4. Name one of the folk music collectors in the Isle of Man.
5. Name a type of music found by the collectors in the Isle of Man.
6. What is a ballad?
7. What was the most popular instrument for accompanying dancing here?
8. When is Hop-tu-naa celebrated?
9. When is Hunt the Wren celebrated?
10. What is a Carval?
MY SCORE:

2. MANX MUSIC - NATIONAL & CLASSICAL

1. What was the first publication of Manx songs called?
2. Who arranged the folk songs for the <i>Manx National Song Book</i> in 1896?
3. In Salon Music, which instrument was commonly used to accompany songs?
4. Who was the female collector who published Manx folk songs?
5. Name a traditional trade associated with the Isle of Man.
6. Name a classical composer who has used Manx folk tunes in their music.
7. What is the Manx National Anthem known as [first line]?
8. What is the Anglo-Manx dialect?
9. What does Ellan Vannin mean?
10. Which famous modern group have recorded 'Ellan Vannin'?
MY SCORE:

3. MANX MUSIC - MUSIC HALL & TOURIST MUSIC

1. From which date did Music Hall entertainment become popular?			
2. Who famously sang 'Riding in the T.T. Races'?			
3. Where did most of the IOM tourists come from in the late 19 th century?			
4. Name a pleasure park which was popular in the Isle of Man tourist boom.			
5. Where's Port-le-Murra?			
6. What's a Nickey?			
7. What was Harry Wood's brother called?			
8. Name another song writer who wrote tourist songs.			
9. Name a Manx Music Hall song.			
10. Make up your own 'touristy' title for a song about the Isle of Man!			
MV SCORE.			

4. MANX MUSIC - FOLK MUSIC FROM THE 1960S

1. Name an American folk musician from the 1960s.
2. Which instrument became very popular in the 1960s folk revival?
3. What did folk clubs encourage people to do?
4. Name a Manx folk group from the 1960s
5. Who wrote 'The Laxey Wheel' and 'the Foxdale Miner'?
6. When was the 'Song for the Terns' written?
7. What was 'The Ellan Vannin Tragedy' about?
8. Who wrote 'The Ellan Vannin Tragedy'?
9. Name a protest song by the Mollag Band
10. Think about an environmental or political issue (local or national) which annoys you - If you were to write a song about it, what would it be called?
MY SCORE:

5. MANX FOLK MUSIC TODAY

1. Why is the Isle of Man a Celtic country?
2. Name another Celtic country:
3. What is a Ceili?
4. Which book, published in 1978, made Manx folk music more accessible?
6. Name one of the Manx Celtic festivals:
7. What was the song, 'The King of the Sea' about?
8. Name a <i>melodic</i> instrument used in Manx folk music:
9. What does Paitchyn Vannin mean?
10. Name another Manx folk musician or group:

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5b. LISTENING TEST 1 - Manx Music - Instrumentation



Circle the <u>main</u> or <u>solo</u> instrument you can hear. You will hear each extract played twice.

Example 1	WHISTLE	FIDDLE	BODHRÁN
Example 2	SOLO VOICE	MANDOLIN	ACCORDION
Example 3	FLUTE	BANJO	CHOIR
Example 4	CHOIR	WHISTLE	SOLO VOICE
Example 5	BODHRÁN	BANJO	WHISTLE
Example 6	WHISTLE	HARP	FIDDLE
Example 7	FIDDLE	MANDOLIN	CHOIR
Example 8	FLUTE	ACCORDION	SOLO VOICE
Example 9	WHISTLE	GUITAR	BODHRÁN
Example 10	FIDDLE	BANJO	HARP

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5b. LISTENING TEST 2 - Man× Music - Instrumentation

Circle the main or solo instrument you can hear. You will hear each extract played twice.

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Example 11	SOLO VOICE	CH0]	IR .	WHISTLE
Example 12	ACCORDION	HARA	MONICA	FIDDLE
Circle the <u>two</u> instruments you can hear. You will hear each extract played twice.				
Example 13	BANJO	WHISTLE	GUITAR	BODHRÁN
Example 14	SOLO VOICE	GUITAR	FIDDLE	HARP
Example 15	BODHRÁN	FIDDLE	GUITAR	BANJO
Example 16	GUITAR	BANJO	HARP	BODHRÁN
Example 17	ACCORDION	GUITAR	MANDOLIN	WHISTLE
Example 18	GUITAR	WHISTLE	FLUTE	HARP
Example 19	MANDOLIN	FIDDLE	BANJO	GUITAR
Circle the three (!!) instruments you can hear. You will hear each extract played twice.				
Example 20	FIDDLE BODHRÁN	GUITAR	FLUTE ACCOR	RDION HARP

5b. Manx Folk Music TRICKY WORDSEARCH Instrumentation

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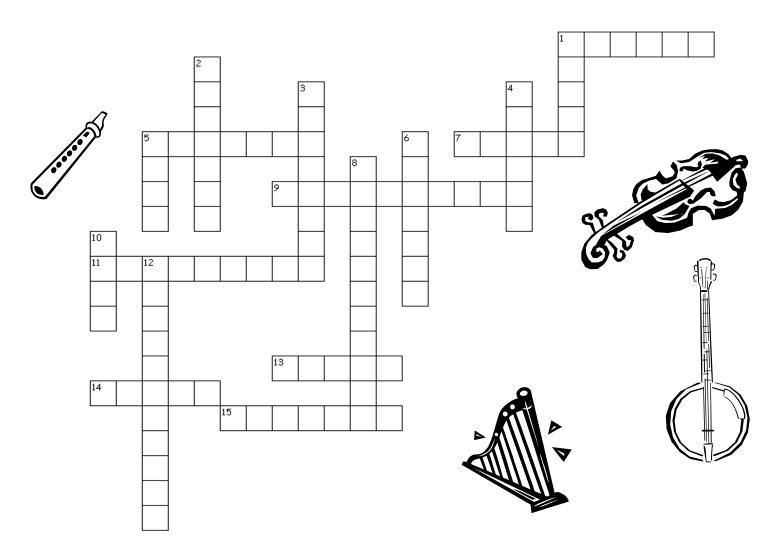
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ACCOMPANIED FOLK CONCERTINA VOICE GAELIC FIDDLE UNACCOMPANIED **GUITAR** WHISTLE HARMONY **FLUTE** CHRUINNAGHT HARP ACCORDION SOLO MANDOLIN BANJO CHOIR CELTIC SESSION CEILIDH Which extra word is hidden in the wordsearch? T____N

5b. Manx Music Crossword - Instrumentation



Across

- 1. Folky name for a violin [6]
- 5. Informal music-making gathering [6]
- 7. Natural instrument of the human being! [5]
- 9. Small relation of the accordion [10]
- 11. Folk instrument with bellows & keys [9]
- 13. A group of singers [5]
- 14. Stringed American instrument [5]
- 15. A get-together where people dance [7]

Down

- 1. Can be metal or wooden in folk music [5]
- 2. It used to cost only a penny! [7]
- 3. Instrument with 4 pairs of strings [8]
- 4. Popular 6 stringed instrument [6]
- 5. Only one person performing [4]
- 6. 2 or more notes sung or played at same time [7]
- 8. Someone else playing with you [11]
- 10. Celtic plucked instrument [4]
- 12. Annual Manx Celtic festival Yn... [11]

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NAME THE INSTRUMENT

Enter the names of the pictured instruments:

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MY SCORE ____

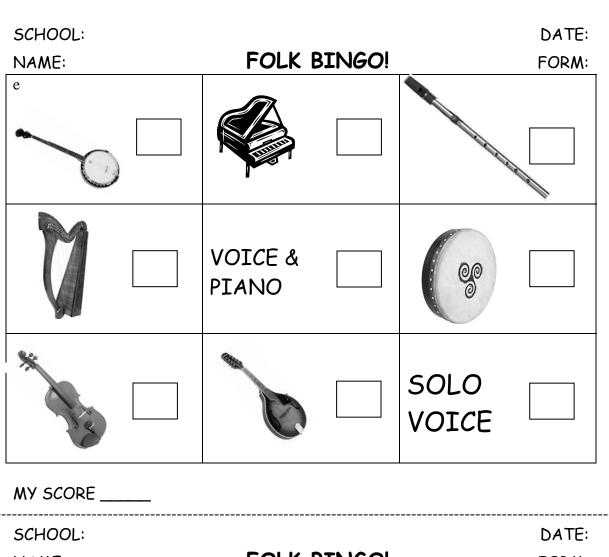
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MY SCORE _____

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6. Listening Test 1 - Manx Music - Time Signatures and Rhythms
Circle the type of melody played on the CD. You will hear the extract played twice.

JIG (6/8) has 2 beats in a bar 'SKIPPING'

REEL (4/4) has 4 beats in a bar 'RUNNING'

AIR is often slow 'SINGING'

Example 1	JIG	REEL	AIR	
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Example 8	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 9	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 10	JIG	REEL	AIR	

MY SCORE:

SCHOOL: NAME: DATE: FORM:



6. Listening Test 2 - Manx Music - Time Signatures and Rhythms

Circle the type of melody played on the CD. You will hear the extract played twice.

JIG (6/8) has 2 beats in a bar 'SKIPPING'

REEL (4/4) has 4 beats in a bar 'RUNNING'

AIR is often slow 'SINGING'

Example 11	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 12	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 13	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 14	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 15	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 16	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 17	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 18	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 19	JIG	REEL	AIR	
Example 20	JIG	REEL	AIR	

MY SCORE: _____

SCHOOL: NAME: DATE: FORM:

6. THEORY TEST - Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

 Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar

- 2. Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar
- Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar
- 4. Fill in the Time Signature *
- 5. Fill in the Time Signature *
- 6. Fill in the Time Signature *
- 7. Could this time signature be from a

 Jig / Reel / Air?

 (Circle correct answer)
- 8. Could this time signature be from a Jig / Air ? (Circle correct answer)
- Could this time signature be from a
 Jig / Air ?
 (Circle correct answer)
- 10. Compose your own 2 bar rhythms to fit each given time signature



MY SCORE _____

8. Manx Music - Play and Listen

8. Final Listening Test A (When Christ was Born)









- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This melody is also a hymn tune known as 'The Good Old Way'. It was collected from the oral tradition and nowadays it is often played as a Manx folk tune.

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

MY SCORE:

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test A. Tra Va Ruggit Creest

- 1. First listen to the demonstration of the melody while you follow the written music.
- 2. Next, you will hear four different interpretations of the same melody. Each version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, circle which type of instrumentation you hear in each piece of music. At the end, comment on your preferred version.

Tra	Va 1			
	ORCHESTRA	SOLO FIDDLE	SOLO HARP	CHOIR
Tra	Va 2			
	SOLO VOICE	FOLK GROUP	VOICE & FOLK GROUP	ORCHESTRA
Tra	Va 3			
	CHOIR	HARP & FIDDLE	SOLO PIANO	SOLO HARMONICA
Tra	Va 4			
	CHOIR	ORCHESTRA	FOLK GROUP	VOICE & PIANO
		ERSION WAS:		

MY SCORE:

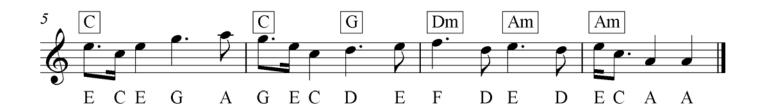
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8. Manx Music - Play and Listen

8. Final Listening Test B

My Caillin Veg Dhone (My Little Brown Girl)





- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This song is very old and it has Gaelic words. Lots of versions (or variants) were found in the Isle of Man.

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

MY SCORE: _____

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test B. My Chaillin Veg Dhone

- 1. First listen to the demonstration of the melody while you follow the written music.
- 2. Next, you will hear four different interpretations of the same melody. Each version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, circle which type of instrumentation you hear in each piece of music. At the end, comment on your preferred version.

Chaillin 1			
VOICE & PIANO	SOLO FIDI	OLE SOLO VOI	CE CHOIR
Chaillin 2			
SOLO VOICE	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO	VOICE & STRING GROUP
Chaillin 3			
SOLO PIANO	SOLO HARP	FOLK GROUP	SOLO WHISTLE
Chaillin 4			
HARMONICA	ORCHESTRA	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO
MY PREFERRED VERS			
MY SCORE:			

SCHOOL: NAME: DATE: FORM:

8. Manx Music - Listen and Play

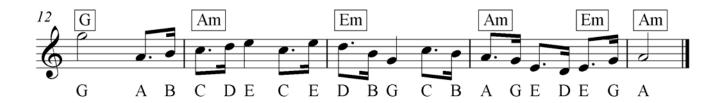
8. Final Listening Test C

Ny Kirree Fo Niaghtey

(The Sheep under the Snow)







- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This sad song was very well known in the Isle of Man and was published in *Mona Melodies* in 1820 for voice and piano. The words describe a sudden blizzard which killed 2000 sheep in the Lonan hills.

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

MY SCORE: _____

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test C. Ny Kirree Fo Niaghtey

- 1. First listen to the demonstration of the melody while you follow the written music.
- 2. Next, you will hear four different interpretations of the same melody. Each version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, circle which type of instrumentation you hear in each piece of music. At the end, comment on your preferred version.

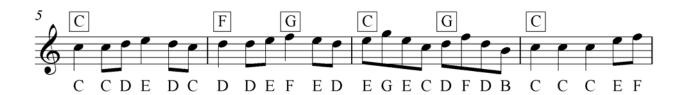
Kirree 1			
HARP & WHISTLE	HARP & FIDDLE	SOLO HARP	CHOIR
Kirree 2			
FOLK GROUP	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO	ORCHESTRA
Kirree 3			
SOLO PIANO	SOLO HARP	SOLO VOICE	SOLO WHISTLE
Kirree 4			
HARMONICA	ORCHESTRA	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO
	ON WAS:		
MY SCORE:			

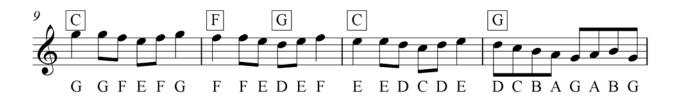
8. Manx Music - Listen and Play

8. Final
Listening
Test D

Eunyssagh Vona
(Mona's Delight)









- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This melody accompanies a set dance which was collected by Mona Douglas.

I played the Melody/Chords/Both. I found it easy/quite difficult/difficult [Circle which applies to you]

MY SCORE:

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test D. Eunyssagh Vona

- 1. First listen to the demonstration of the melody while you follow the written music.
- 2. Next, you will hear four different interpretations of the same melody. Each version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, circle which type of instrumentation you hear in each piece of music. At the end, comment on your preferred version.

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Eunyssagh 1			
ORCHESTRA	SOLO FIDDLE	FOLK GROUP	VOICE & PIANO
Eunyssagh 2			
SOLO HARMONICA	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO	VOICE & STRING GROUP
Eunyssagh 3			
VOICE & PIANO	SOLO HARP	VOICE & FOLK G	ROUP SOLO WHISTLE
Eunyssagh 4			
SOLO HARMONIO	CA ORCHE	STRA CHO	IR FOLK GROUP
MY PREFERRED VERSI WHY?			
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MY SCORE:			

1. MANX MUSIC - THE ORAL TRADITION

1. What is folk music?

Music of the people
2. Which countries have languages which are closely related to Manx Gaelic?
Scotland and Ireland
3. What is it called when songs are memorised and passed down from one
generation to another?
Oral Tradition/Oral Transmission
4. Name one of the folk music collectors in the Isle of Man.
W.H. Gill, J.F. Gill, Dr. John Clague, A.W. Moore, Mona Douglas
5. Name a type of music found by the collectors in the Isle of Man.
Folk songs, religious music, dance tunes
6. What is a ballad?
A story told through singing
7. What was the most popular instrument for accompanying dancing here?
Fiddle/violin_
8. When is Hop-tu-naa celebrated?
Hallowe'en/31 st October/last night of the old Celtic year
9. When is Hunt the Wren celebrated?
Boxing Day/26th December/St. Stephen's Day
10. What is a Carval?
4 very long Carol (on a hiblical theme)

2. MANX MUSIC - NATIONAL & CLASSICAL

1. What was the first publication of Manx songs called? Mona Melodies (1820) 2. Who arranged the folk songs for the Manx National Song Book in 1896? W.H. (William Henry) Gill 3. In Salon Music, which instrument was commonly used to accompany songs? Piano 4. Who was the female collector who published Manx folk songs? Mona Douglas_ 5. Name a traditional trade associated with the Isle of Man. Fishing, farming, mining, etc.__ 6. Name a classical composer who has used Manx folk tunes in their music. Haydn Wood, Vauqhan Williams, Arnold Foster, Arthur Somervell, Ronald Stevenson, George Tootell, Malcolm Arnold 7. What is the Manx National Anthem known as [first line]? O Land of Our Birth 8. What is the Anglo-Manx dialect? A distinctive form of English spoken by Manx people____ 9. What does Ellan Vannin mean? Isle of Man 10. Which famous modern group have recorded 'Ellan Vannin'? The Bee Gees

3. MANX MUSIC - MUSIC HALL & TOURIST MUSIC

1. From which date did Music Hall entertainment become popular?
<i>1850</i>
2. Who famously sang 'Riding in the T.T. Races'?
George Formby
3. Where did most of the IOM tourists come from in the late 19^{th} century?
Northern England and Scotland
4. Name a pleasure park which was popular in the Isle of Man tourist boom.
Silverdale, Groudle Glen, Mooragh Park, Laxey Glen Gardens, Injebreck, Glen
<u>Helen etc.</u>
5. Where's Port-le-Murra?
Port St. Mary
6. What's a Nickey?
Fishing boat
7. What was Harry Wood's brother called?
Haydn_[pronounced hay-den]
8. Name another song writer who wrote tourist songs.
C.W. Murphy, Will Letters, Carl Reber
9. Name a Manx Music Hall song.
The Dear Old Isle of Man, Sweet Isle of Mona, A Trip to the Isle of Man
etc.
10. Make up your own 'touristy' title for a song about the Isle of Man!
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4. MANX MUSIC - FOLK MUSIC FROM THE 1960S

1. Name an American folk musician from the 1960s.
Bob Dylan, Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel, etc.
2. Which instrument became very popular in the 1960s folk revival?
Guitar
3. What did folk clubs encourage people to do?
Join in the singing
4. Name a Manx folk group from the 1960s
Mannin Folk etc
5. Who wrote 'The Laxey Wheel' and 'the Foxdale Miner'?
Stuart Slack
6. When was the 'Song for the Terns' written?
1968
7. What was 'The Ellan Vannin Tragedy' about?
A Manx ship which sank in 1909
8. Who wrote 'The Ellan Vannin Tragedy'?
The Spinners_
9. Name a protest song by the Mollag Band
Langness, Don't Hurt Me Now
10. Think about an environmental or political issue (local or national) which
annoys you - If you were to write a song about it, what would it be called?
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5. MANX FOLK MUSIC TODAY

1. Why is the Isle of Man a Celtic country?
It has its own Celtic language; Manx Gaelic
2. Name another Celtic country:
Scotland, Ireland, Cornwall, Wales, Brittany
3. What is a Ceili?
An event where people join in with folk dancing
4. Which book, published in 1978, made Manx folk music more accessible?
Kiaull yn Theay
6. Name one of the Manx Celtic festivals:
Yn Chruinnaght, Shennaghys Jiu, Cooish
7. What was the song, 'The King of the Sea' about?
The herring/fish/kipper!
8. Name a <i>melodic</i> instrument used in Manx folk music:
Fiddle/violin, whistle, etc.
9. What does Paitchyn Vannin mean?
Children of Mann (Isle of Man)
10. Name another Manx folk musician or group:
[See those listed]

5b. LISTENING TEST 1 - Manx Music - Instrumentation



Students circle the <u>main</u> or <u>solo</u> instrument that they can hear. [Each track includes a two second break followed by a repeat of the example]

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Example 1	WHISTLE	FIDDLE	BODHRÁN
CD2 Track 02			
Example 2	SOLO VOICE	MANDOLIN	ACCORDION
CD2 Track 03			
Example 3	FLUTE	BANJO	CHOIR
CD2 Track 04			
Example 4	CHOIR	WHISTLE	SOLO VOICE
CD2 Track 05			
Example 5	BODHRÁN	BANJO	WHISTLE
CD2 Track 06			
Example 6	WHISTLE	HARP	FIDDLE
CD2 Track 07			
Example 7	FIDDLE	MANDOLIN	CHOIR
CD2 Track 08			
Example 8	FLUTE	ACCORDION	SOLO VOICE
CD2 Track 09			
Example 9	WHISTLE	GUITAR	BODHRÁN
CD2 Track 10			
Example 10	FIDDLE	BANJO	HARP



5b. LISTENING TEST 2 - Manx Music - Instrumentation

Students circle the <u>main</u> or <u>solo</u> instrument that they can hear. [Each track includes a two second break followed by a repeat of the example]

CD2 Track 11

Example 11	SOLO VOICE	CHOIR	WHISTLE
CD2 Track 12			
Example 12	ACCORDION	HARMONICA	FIDDLE

Students circle the **two** instruments which they can hear.

CD2 Track 13

Example 13	BANJO	WHISTLE	GUITAR	BODHRÁN
CD2 Track 14				
Example 14	SOLO VOICE	GUITAR	FIDDLE	HARP
CD2 Track 15				
Example 15	BODHRÁN	FIDDLE	GUITAR	BANJO
CD2 Track 16				
Example 16	GUITAR	BANJO	HARP	BODHRÁN
CD2 Track 17				
Example 17	ACCORDION	GUITAR	MANDOLIN	WHISTLE
CD2 Track 18				
Example 18	GUITAR	WHISTLE	FLUTE	HARP
CD2 Track 19				
Example 19	MANDOLIN	FIDDLE	BANJO	GUITAR

Students circle the $\underline{\text{three}}$ instruments which they can hear.

CD2 Track 20

Example 20	FIDDLE	BODHRÁN	GUITAR	FLUTE	ACCORDION	HARP
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5b. Manx Folk Music TRICKY WORDSEARCH Instrumentation

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GAELIC VOICE FIDDLE
GUITAR WHISTLE UNACCOMPANIED

HARMONY FLUTE CHRUINNAGHT

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Extra word hidden in wordsearch: TRADITION

5b. Manx Music Crossword - Instrumentation

ACROSS

- 1. Folky name for a violin *Fiddle*
- 5. Informal music-making gathering

Session

7. Natural instrument of the human being!

Voice

- 9. Small relation of the accordion *Concertina*
- 11. Folk instrument with bellows & keys

Accordion

- 13. A group of singers *Choir*
- 14. Stringed American instrument Banjo
- 15. A get-together where people dance

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1. Can be metal or wooden in folk music

Flute

- 2. It used to cost only a penny! Whistle
- 3. Instrument with 4 pairs of strings

Mandolin

- 4. Popular 6 stringed instrument *Guitar*
- 5. Only one person performing *Solo*
- 6. 2 or more notes sung or played at same time

Harmony

- 8. Someone else playing with you *Accompanied*
- 10. Celtic plucked instrument *Harp*
- 12. Annual Manx Celtic festival Yn...

Chruinnaght

5b. Name the instrument - see student sheet Students enter the names of the pictured instruments.

5b. Manx Folk Music - Instrument Bingo A

- 1. Randomly distribute copies of the 8 different versions of student bingo sheets around the classroom. [Photocopy student sheets and cut in half].
- 2. Read out a list of words (16 in total) relating to Manx folk music SEE BELOW. After hearing each word, the student searches for its picture or for the word on their sheet and ticks the relevant box. The winner is the first to fill their 9 box grid, and to call out BINGO!

The Game can continue until each pupil has filled their sheet.

3. By varying the order of the words, this can be played on more than one occasion.

C 4 44 E . O 1 E	C 4 4 5 T T 4 C	CAME TUBER	CAME FOUR
GAME ONE	GAME TWO	GAME THREE	GAME FOUR
1. CONCERTINA	ACCORDION	HARP	FOLK GROUP
2. FIDDLE	GUITAR	CHOIR	FIDDLE
3. PIANO	BODHRÁN	SOLO VOICE	MANDOLIN
4. VOICE & PIANO	BANJO	BANJO	FLUTE
5. ACCORDION	CHOIR	ORCHESTRA	SOLO VOICE
6. FLUTE	MANDOLIN	HARMONICA	PIANO
7. BODHRÁN	PIANO	ACCORDION	BANJO
8. CHOIR	FOLK GROUP	WHISTLE	BODHRÁN
9. WHISTLE	FIDDLE	CONCERTINA	VOICE & PIANO
10. SOLO VOICE	HARP	BODHRÁN	CHOIR
11. HARP	HARMONICA	FLUTE	HARP
12. ORCHESTRA	CONCERTINA	GUITAR	ACCORDION
13. GUITAR	FLUTE	VOICE & PIANO	CONCERTINA
14. MANDOLIN	ORCHESTRA	FOLK GROUP	ORCHESTRA
15. FOLK GROUP	SOLO VOICE	FIDDLE	HARMONICA
16. HARMONICA	VOICE & PIANO	MANDOLIN	WHISTLE
17. BANJO	WHISTLE	PIANO	GUITAR

For more challenging games, clues could be given about the instrumentation, or examples could be played from the CDs and recognised by the students. SEE OVER for suggestions.

5b. Manx Folk Music - Instrument Bingo B

Bingo with clues:

- 1. I have four strings and am played with a bow [fiddle]
- 2. I sing while s/he plays the keys [voice & piano]
- 3. I am an American instrument and I am plucked [banjo]
- 4. I have 6 finger holes and produce a sound when blown through [whistle]
- 5. I have 6 strings and can be acoustic, classical, electric or bass [guitar]
- 6. We are a very large group of musicians who often play classical music [orchestra]
- 7. I sing on my own [solo voice]
- 8. I have four pairs of strings and am plucked [mandolin]
- 9. I am an Irish drum [bodhrán]
- 10. I am a woodwind instrument and can be metal or wooden [flute]
- 11. I am a small instrument and I have reeds which are blown through [harmonica]
- 12. I have a piano keyboard and bellows which produce notes [accordion]
- 13. We are a collection of musicians who play traditional Manx music [folk group]
- 14. I am similar to the accordion, but have buttons instead of piano keys [concertina]
- 15. I am a large instrument with keys and pedals [piano]
- 16. We are a group of singers who often sing in harmony [choir]
- 17. I have 24 strings which are plucked to make the melody or chords [harp]

Listening Bingo - For an alternative version, extracts of the instruments could be chosen from CD1 and CD2 and played to students instead of calling the names. A playlist could be made in advance. e.g.

Bodhrán	[CD1/29]	Guitar	[CD2/09]	Folk group	[CD1/38]
Flute	[CD1/25]	Fiddle	[CD1/23]	Banjo	[CD1/28]
Choir	[CD1/04]	Whistle	[CD2/01]	Orchestra	[CD2/53]
Mandolin	[CD1/26]	Accordion	[CD2/02]	Harp	[CD1/30]
Piano	[CD2/44]	Voice & pian	o [CD1/11]	harmonica	[CD2/58]
Solo Voice	[CD1/33]	Concertina [sorry, no CD example!! Just say word]			

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TEACHER'S ANSWER SHEET Answers in Italics

6. Listening Test 1 - Manx Music - Time Signatures and Rhythms

[Each track includes a two second break followed by a repeat of the example]

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CD2 Track 21					
Example 1	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Mactullagh Vannin – I	Flitter Dance in Jig	tempo			
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CD2 Track 22					
Example 2	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Sheean Raah - Ballak	illeon				
CD2 Track 23					
Example 3	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Katie Lawrence - Arr	ane y Chlean				
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CD2 Track 24					
Example 4	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Mactullagh Vannin – I	Here Come's Tom Du	ke a-riding			
CD2 Track 25					
Example 5	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Phynnodderee - Benr	ein y Boaldyn				
CD2 Track 26	TTO	2551	4.70		
Example 6	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Katie & Kirsty Lawre	nce - Graih Foalsey				
CD2 Track 27					
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Example 7	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Mactullagh Vannin - Creg Willy Syl					
CD2 Track 28					
Example 8	JI <i>G</i>	REEL	AIR		
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Phynnodderee - Willi	uni a mary				
CD2 Track 29					
Example 9	JIG	REEL	AIR		
Manx Folk Dance Soc	_				
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CD2 Track 30					
Example 10	JI <i>G</i>	REEL	AIR		
Solas - Arrane Ghelb					
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6. Listening Test 2 - Manx Music - Time Signatures and Rhythms

[Each track includes a two second break followed by a repeat of the example]
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CD2 Track 31		הככו	4.70				
Example 11	JIG	REEL	AIR				
King Chiaullee - Three Little Boats							
CD2 Track 32							
	JIG	DEEL	AIR				
Example 12	_	REEL	MIK				
Manx Folk Dance Socie	ry - Marix Jig						
CD2 Track 33							
Example 13	JIG	REEL	AIR				
Phynnodderee - Tune fo							
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CD2 Track 34							
Example 14	JIG	REEL	AIR				
Phynnodderee - Fathab	y Jig						
CD2 Track 35							
Example 15	JIG .	REEL	AIR				
Mactullagh Vannin – Mo	irrey ny Cainle						
CD2 Track 36							
	JI <i>G</i>	REEL	AIR				
Example 16	_	KEEL	MIK				
King Chiaullee - Car Jud	in Nan						
CD2 Track 37							
Example 17	JIG	REEL	AIR				
King Chiaullee - Arrane	_						
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CD2 Track 38							
Example 18	JIG	REEL	AIR				
Katie Lawrence - Thurd	<u>†</u>						
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Example 19	JIG	REEL	AIR				
Paitchyn Vannin - Ooill	er yn Ushtey						
CD2 Track 40							
	TTC	DEEL	ATD				
Example 20	JIG Fannishun	REEL	AIR				
Phynnodderee - Car ny	rerrisnyn						

6. THEORY TEST - Manx Music - Time Signatures & Rhythms

- Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar
- 2. Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar
- Fill in the missing time values * to complete each bar
- 4. Fill in the Time Signature *
- 5. Fill in the Time Signature *
- 6. Fill in the Time Signature *
- 7. Could this time signature be from a

 Jig / Reel / Air?

 (Circle correct answer)
- 8. Could this time signature be from a Jig / Air ? (Circle correct answer)
- 9. Could this time signature be from a Jig / Air ? (Circle correct answer)
- 10. Compose your own 2 bar rhythms to fit each given time signature



MY SCORE ____

8. Manx Music - Play and Listen

8. Final Listening Test A

Tra Va Ruggit Creest (When Christ was Born)









- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This melody is also a hymn tune known as 'The Good Old Way'. It was collected from the oral tradition and nowadays it is often played as a Manx folk tune.

FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test A. Tra Va Ruggit Creest

Instructions

- 1. Play the demonstration melody on CD 2 Track 41. Students can follow the written music.
- 2. Four different interpretations of the same melody will follow on the CD. Each test version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, students circle which type of instrumentation they can hear in each piece of music. At the end, they can comment on their preferred version.

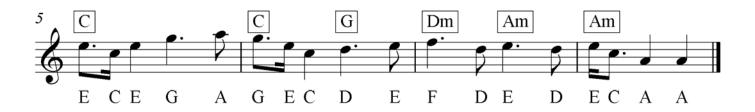
 Track 42 Va 1			
ORCHESTRA	SOLO FIDDLE	SOLO HARP	CHOIR
 Track 43 <i>Va 2</i>			
SOLO VOICE	FOLK GROUP	VOICE & FOLK GROUP	ORCHESTRA
Track 44 Va 3			
CHOIR	HARP & FIDDLE	SOLO PIANO	SOLO HARMONICA
Track 45 <i>Va 4</i>			
CHOIR	ORCHESTRA	FOLK GROUP	VOICE & PIANO

8. Manx Music - Play and Listen

8. Final Listening Test B

My Caillin Veg Dhone (My Little Brown Girl)





- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This song is very old and it has Gaelic words. Lots of versions (or variants) were found in the Isle of Man.

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test B. My Chaillin Veg Dhone

Instructions

- 1. Play the demonstration melody on CD2 track 46. Students can follow the written music.
- 2. Four different interpretations of the same melody will follow on the CD. Each test version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, students circle which type of instrumentation they can hear in each piece of music. At the end, they can comment on their preferred version.

CD2 track 47
Chaillin 1

VOICE & PIANO SOLO FIDDLE SOLO VOICE CHOIR

CD2 track 48
Chaillin 2

SOLO VOICE CHOIR VOICE & PIANO VOICE & STRING GROUP

CD2 track 49

Chaillin 3

SOLO PIANO SOLO HARP FOLK GROUP SOLO WHISTLE

CD2 track 50
Chaillin 4

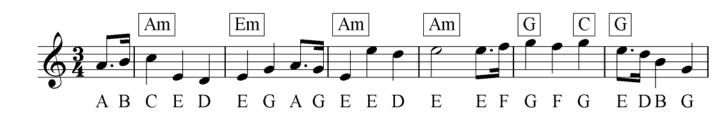
HARMONICA ORCHESTRA CHOIR VOICE & PIANO

8. Manx Music - Listen and Play

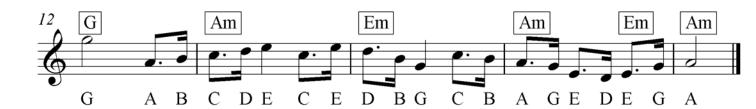
8. Final Listening Test C

Ny Kirree Fo Niaghtey

(The Sheep under the Snow)







- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This sad song was very well known in the Isle of Man and was published in *Mona Melodies* in 1820 for voice and piano. The words describe a sudden blizzard which killed 2000 sheep in the Lonan hills.

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test C. Ny Kirree Fo Niaghtey

Instructions

- 1. Play the demonstration melody on CD2 track 51. Students can follow the written music.
- 2. Four different interpretations of the same melody will follow on the CD. Each test version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, students circle which type of instrumentation they can hear in each piece of music. At the end, they can comment on their preferred version.

CD2 track 52 Kirree 1			
HARP & WHISTLE	HARP & FIDDLE	SOLO HARP	CHOIR
CD track 53 Kirree 2			
FOLK GROUP	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO	ORCHESTRA

CD track 54 Kirree 3			
SOLO PIANO	SOLO HARP	SOLO VOICE	SOLO WHISTLE

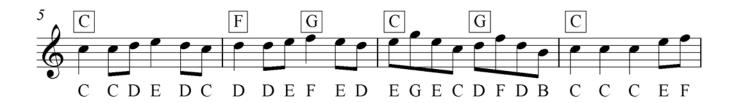
CD track 55 Kirree 4			
HARMONICA	ORCHESTRA	CHOIR	VOICE & PIANO

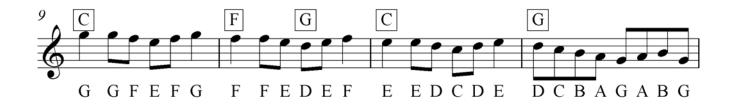
8. Manx Music - Listen and Play

8. Final Listening Test D

Eunyssagh Vona (Mona's Delight)









- 1. Do the Listening Test for this melody with the accompanying answer sheet
- 2. Try to play the melody and/or chords on your instrument

This melody accompanies a set dance which was collected by Mona Douglas.

TEACHER'S ANSWER SHEET Answers in Italics

8. FINAL LISTENING TEST - Manx Music

Test D. Eunyssagh Vona

Instructions

- 1. Play the demonstration melody on CD 2 track 56. Students can follow the written music.
- 2. Four different interpretations of the same melody will follow on the CD. Each test version will be repeated again after 2 seconds.
- 3. From the multiple choices, students circle which type of instrumentation they can hear in each piece of music. At the end, they can comment on their preferred version.

CD2 track 57

Eunyssagh 1

ORCHESTRA SOLO FIDDLE FOLK GROUP VOICE & PIANO

CD2 track 58

Eunyssagh 2

SOLO HARMONICA CHOIR VOICE & PIANO VOICE & STRING GROUP

CD2 track 59

Eunyssagh 3

VOICE & PIANO SOLO HARP VOICE & FOLK GROUP SOLO WHISTLE

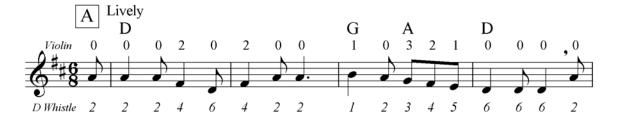
CD2 track 60

Eunyssagh 4

SOLO HARMONICA ORCHESTRA CHOIR FOLK GROUP



Hop tu naa Dance & Song









Ta shenn Oie Houney, Hop-tu-Naa! T'an eayst soilshean, Trol-la-laa! [Repeat] Hop-tu-Naa as Trol-la-laa, Ta shenn Oie Houney, Hop-tu-Naa! [Repeat]

Translation:

'Tis Hollandtide Night, Hop-tu-Naa! The moon shines bright, Trol-la-laa! [Repeat] Hop-tu-Naa and Trol-la-laa, 'Tis Hollandtide Night, Hop-tu-Naa! [Repeat]



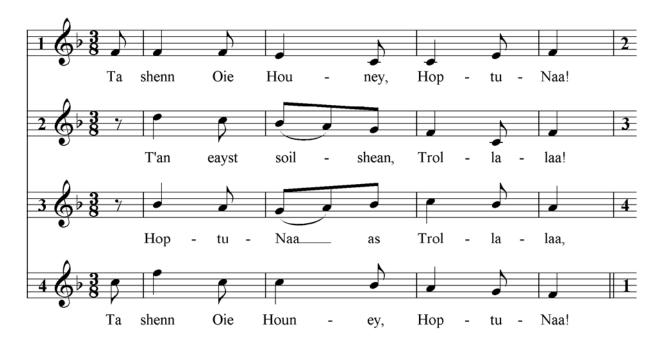
Hop tu naa Dance



Hop tu naa A Round in 4 parts

Based upon a 4 bar fragment in the Gill/Clague Collection called Hop dy Nai. Words collected by Mona Douglas.

by J.F. Woolley



Ta shenn Oie Houney, Hop-tu-Naa! T'an eayst soilshean, Trol-la-laa! Hop-tu-Naa as Trol-la-laa, Ta shenn Oie Houney, Hop-tu-Naa!

This song can be performed as a solo or it can be sung as a round by 2-4 singers/groups of singers. It may be necessary to start the song on a lower note because of the high range.

Hop tu naa - Pronunciation

Ta shenn Oie Houney, Hop-tu-Naa! [Ta shenn ee howna, hop-chu-nay!]

T'an eayst soilshean, Trol-la-laa! [Tun aist saw'shin, trol-la-lay!]

Hop-tu-Naa as Trol-la-laa, [Hop-chu-nay as trol-la-lay]

Ta shenn Oie Houney, Hop-tu-Naa! [Ta shenn ee howna, hop-chu-nay!]

Translation:

'Tis Hollandtide Night, Hop-tu-Naa!

The moon shines bright, Trol-la-laa!

Hop-tu-Naa and Trol-la-laa,

'Tis Hollandtide Night, Hop-tu-Naa!



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CAT
GINGERBREAD
HOLLANTIDE
HOP TU NAA
JINNY
LANTERN
MOON
NOVEMBER
TURNIP
WINTER

Snieu Wheeyl Snieu [Spin Wheel Spin]





Sneiu, wheeyl, snieu,
Sneiu, wheeyl, snieu;
Dy chooilley vangan er y villey
Snieu er-my-skyn.
Lesh y ree yn ollan,
As lesh my-hene y sniah;
Son shenn Trit Trot
cha vow ish dy bragh.

Spin, wheel, spin,
Spin, wheel, spin;
May every branch upon the tree
Spin overhead.
With the king the wool,
And with myself the thread;
For old Trit Trot
she will never get.

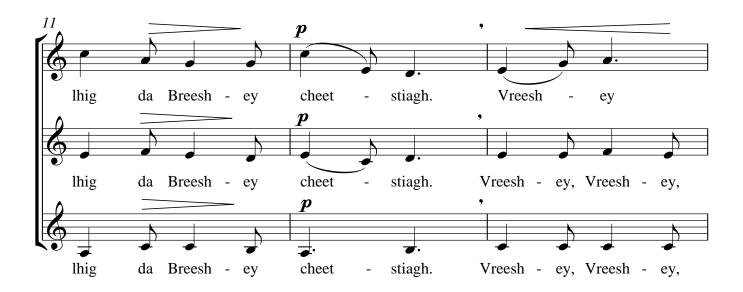
Invocation to St. Bridget

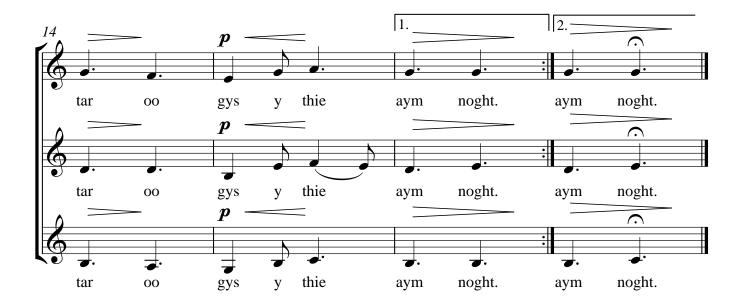
Manx Folksong

Arranged for Three-part Girls Choir by J.F.Woolley

Invocation to St. Bridget







Breeshey, Breeshey,
Come to my house,
Come to my home this night.
Breeshey, Breeshey,
Come, O come to my home this night.
O open ye the doors to Breeshey,
And let in Breeshey.
Breeshey, Breeshey,
Come to my home this night.

INVOCATION TO ST. BRIDGET - PRONUNCIATION

Vreeshey, Vreeshey, tar gys my hie, Vreejha, Vreejha, ta gus mi high,

Breeshey, Breeshey, Come to my house,

tar gys y thie aym noght. *Ta gus ah tie em noch.*

Come to my home this night.

Vreeshey, tar o tar gys y thie aym noght. *Vreejha, ta oh ta gus ah tie em noch.*

Breeshey, Come, O come to my home this

night.

O fosh-il jee yn dorrys da Breeshey, Oh forjil jee un doris tha Breejha, O open ye the doors to Breeshey.

as lhig da Breeshey cheet-stiagh. *As lig tha Breejha chit stee-ach.*

And let in Breeshey.

Vreeshey tar oo gys y thie aym noght. *Vreejha ta oo gus ah tie em noch.*

Breeshey, Come to my home this night.

Manx grammar:

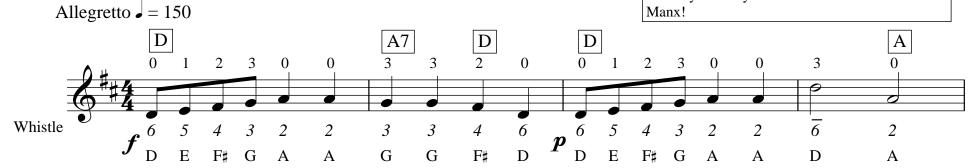
Vreejha - Breeshey is pronounced with a V when addressing her in Gaelic

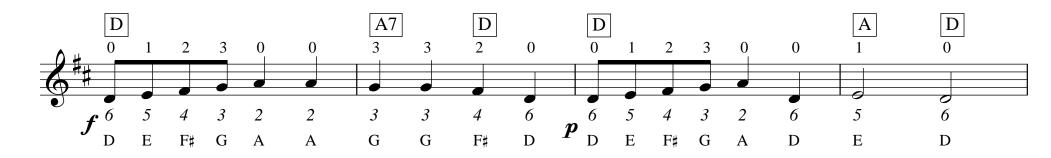
Breejha - Breeshey is pronounced with a B when talking about her

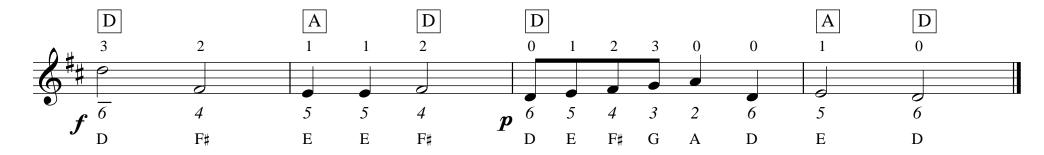
^{*} Vreeshey/Breeshey sounds like the flower, Freesia

Smuggler's Lullaby

A smuggler's wife pretends to sing a Manx Gaelic lullaby to her baby, but she is really warning her husband that the excisemen are nearby. The first phrase is loud, so her smuggler husband can hear her warning, while the next phrase 'caddill oo my laala' (go to sleep my little hero) is sang softly to the baby. Luckily the excisemen didn't understand Manx!







Smuggler's Lullaby Piano Solo

Arr. J.F. Woolley



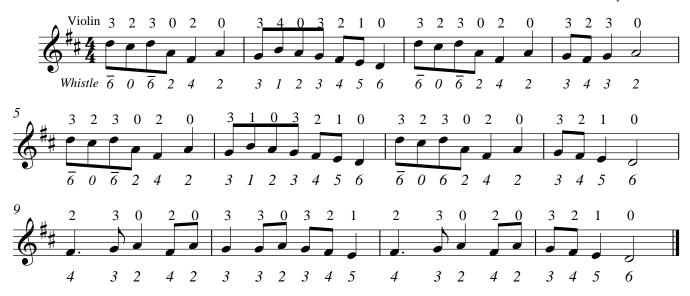
Smuggler's Lullaby Accompaniment

Arr. C. Woolley

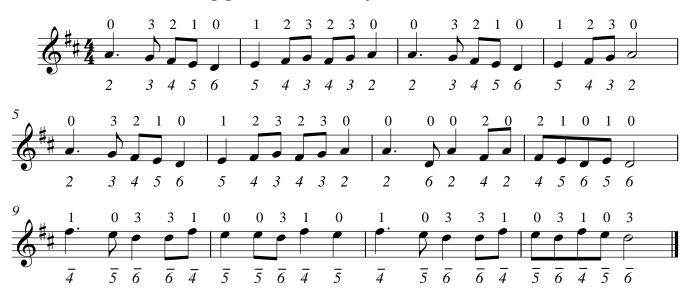


Smuggler's Lullaby Variation I

Variations I, II & III by M. Boulton



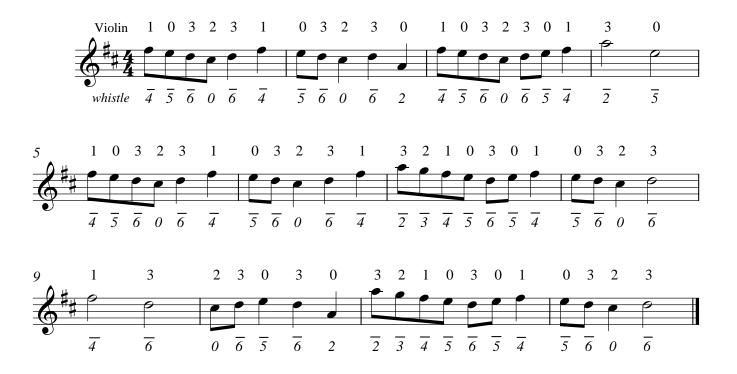
Smuggler's Lullaby Variation II



Smuggler's Lullaby Variation III



Smuggler's Lullaby Descant Part (or Variation IV)



Smuggler's Lullaby Violin/Keyboard II



SMUGGLER'S LULLABY

1. See the Excisemen are coming Chaddil oo my Laala!

They'll be seeking wine and whisky Chaddil oo my Laala!

Ogh Hene child o' mine Chaddil oo my Laala!

2. Daddy's late and we must warn him Chaddil oo my Laala!

This run, he'll have naught illegal; Chaddil oo my Laala!

Ogh Hene child o' mine Chaddil oo my Laala!

3. O the Englishmen may board us Chaddil oo my Laala!

Nothing wrong will they discover Chaddil oo my Laala!

Ogh Hene child o' mine Chaddil oo my Laala!

4. Let them search in boat and dwelling Chaddil oo my Laala!

Nothing's in the hold but herrings Chaddil oo my Laala!

Ogh Hene child o' mine Chaddil oo my Laala!

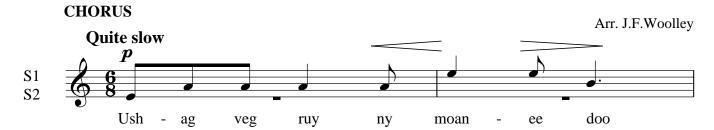
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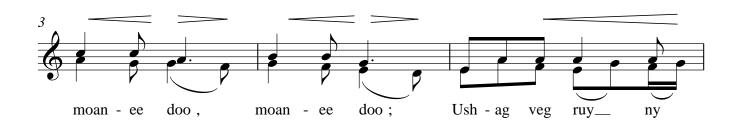
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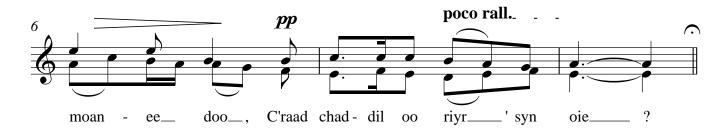
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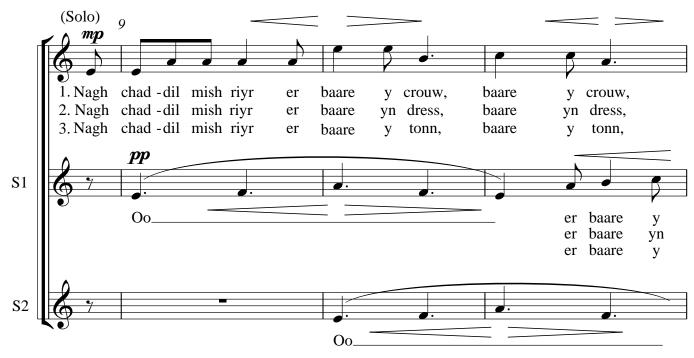
USHAG VEG RUY (Lullaby)

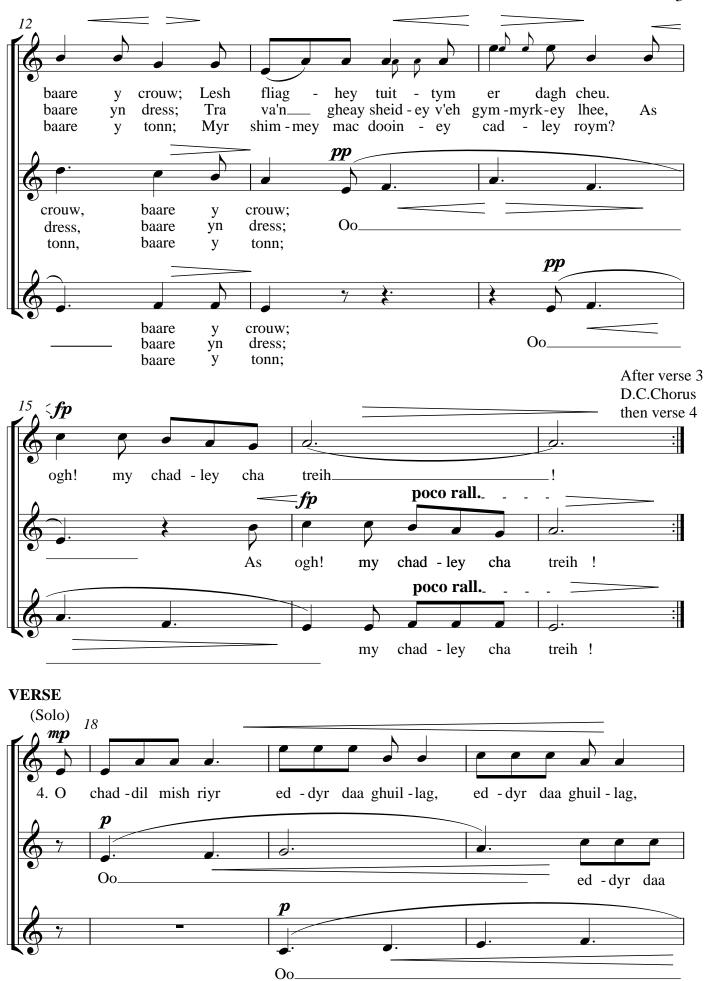


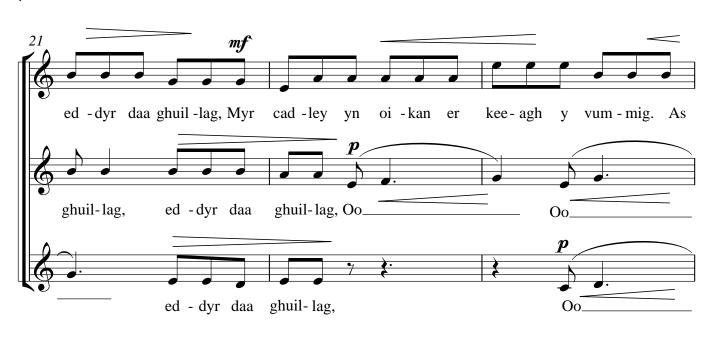




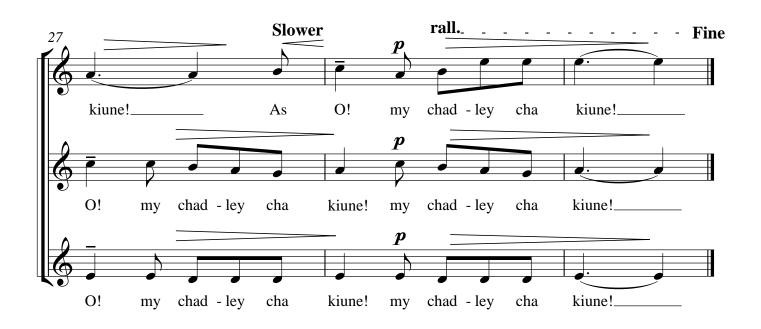
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USHAG VEG RUY

(Manx Gaelic)

LITTLE RED BIRD

(English version – not literal translation)

Chorus

Ushag veg ruy ny moanee doo, Ushag vegg roy na morney doo

Moanee doo, moanee doo,

Morney doo, morney doo,

Ushag veg ruy ny moaney doo; Ushag vegg roy na morney doo;

C'raad chaddil oo riyr 'syn oie? Cred 'hathill oo righer (higher) sun ee? Chorus

Little red bird of the lonely moor,

Lonely moor, lonely moor,

Little red bird of the lonely moor,

O Where did you sleep last night?

1.

Nagh chaddil mish riyr er baare y crouw, Nagh 'hathill mish righer eh bare a crouw (bough), 1.

Out on a gorse-bush dark and wide,

Baare y crouw, baare y crouw; *Bare a crouw, bare a crouw*;

Lesh fliaghey tuittym er dagh cheu Lesh fliee-arker tujjim eh dagh chow

As ogh! my chadley cha treih! As och! ma 'haddla 'ha try!

Chorus - Ushag veg ruy...

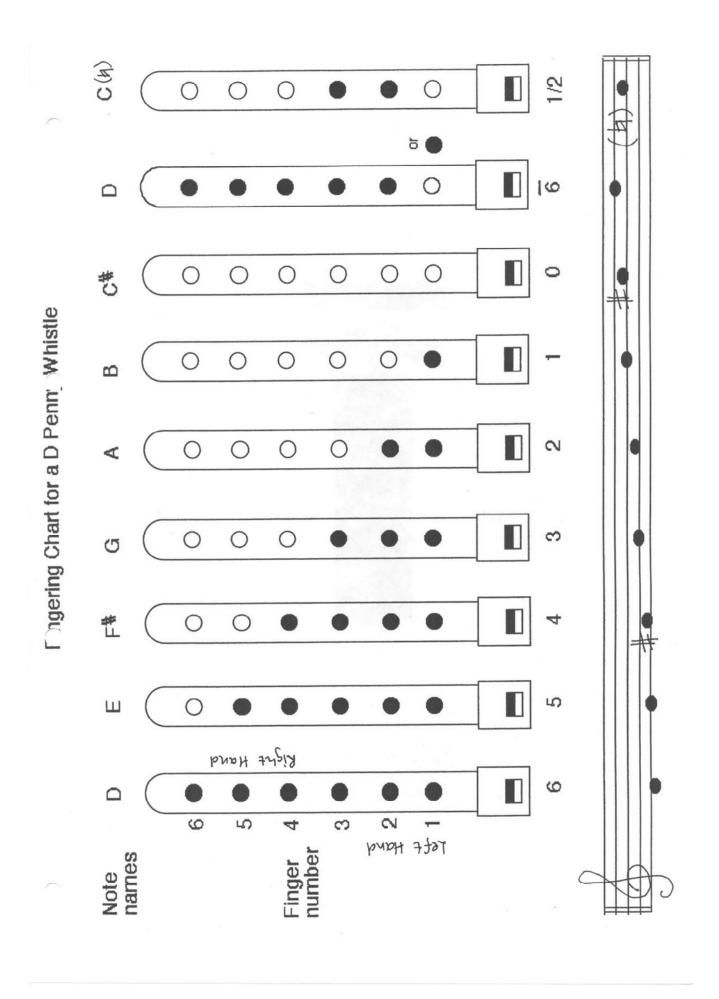
Dark and wide, dark and wide,

Swift rain was falling on every side

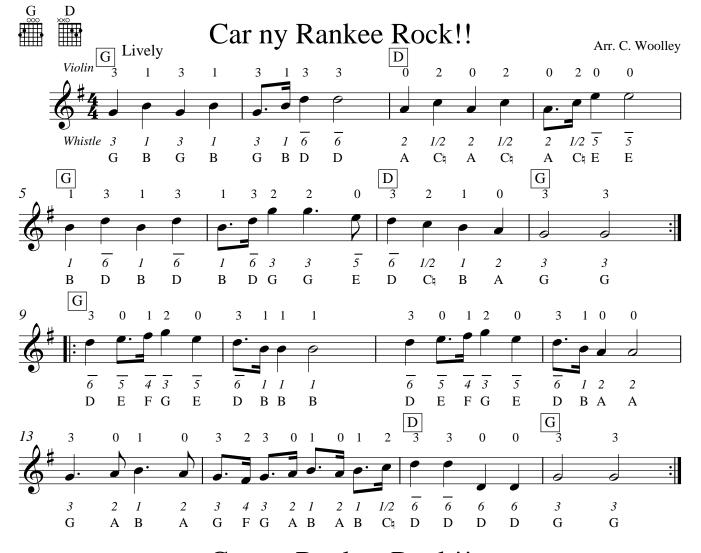
O hard was my sleep last night!

Chorus

2. Nagh chaddil mish riyr er baare yn dress, Nagh 'hathill mish righer eh bare un dress	2. Did I not sleep on a swaying briar,
Baare yn dress, baare yn dress? Bare un dress, bare un dress?	A swaying briar, a swaying briar?
Tra va'n gheay sheidey v'eh gymmyrkey lhee, Tray van gear sheejer vay gimmer'ha lee	Tossing about as the wind rose higher
As ogh! my chadley cha treih! As ogh! ma 'haddla 'ha try!	O little I slept last night!
Chorus	Chorus
3. Nagh chaddil mish riyr er baare y tonn, Nagh 'hathill mish righer eh bare a tonn	3. Did I not sleep on a cold wave's crest
Baare y tonn, baare y tonn; Bare a tonn, bare a tonn;	A cold wave's crest, a cold wave's crest
Myr shimmey mac dooiney cadley roym? Ma shimma mac doynna 'haddla roym?	Where many a man has taken his rest?
As ogh! my chadley cha treih! As ogh! ma 'haddla 'ha try!	And O! my sleep was too light.
Chorus	Chorus
4. O Chaddil mish riyr eddyr daa ghuillag, O 'hathill mish reyer airtha da 'hullyag	4. Wrapp'd in two leaves I lay at ease,
Eddyr daa ghuillag, eddyr daa ghuillag, airtha da 'hullyag, airtha da 'hullyag	Lay at ease, lay at ease,
Myr cadley yn oikan er keeagh y vummig. Ma 'haddla in eegan eh keyagh e vummig.	As sleeps the young babe on its mother's knees.
As O! my chadley cha kiune! As O! ma 'haddla 'ha keoone!	O sweet was my sleep last night.







Car ny Rankee Rock!! PART 2/3



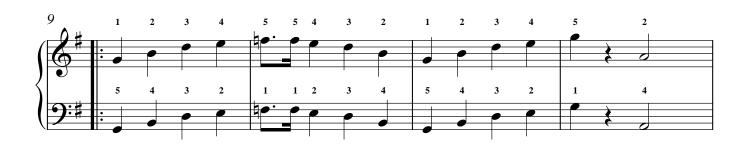
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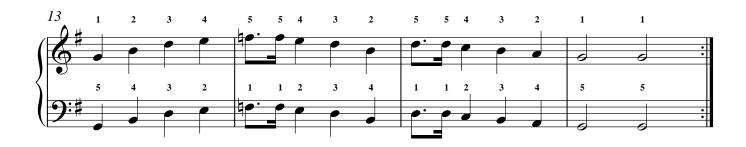
accompaniment

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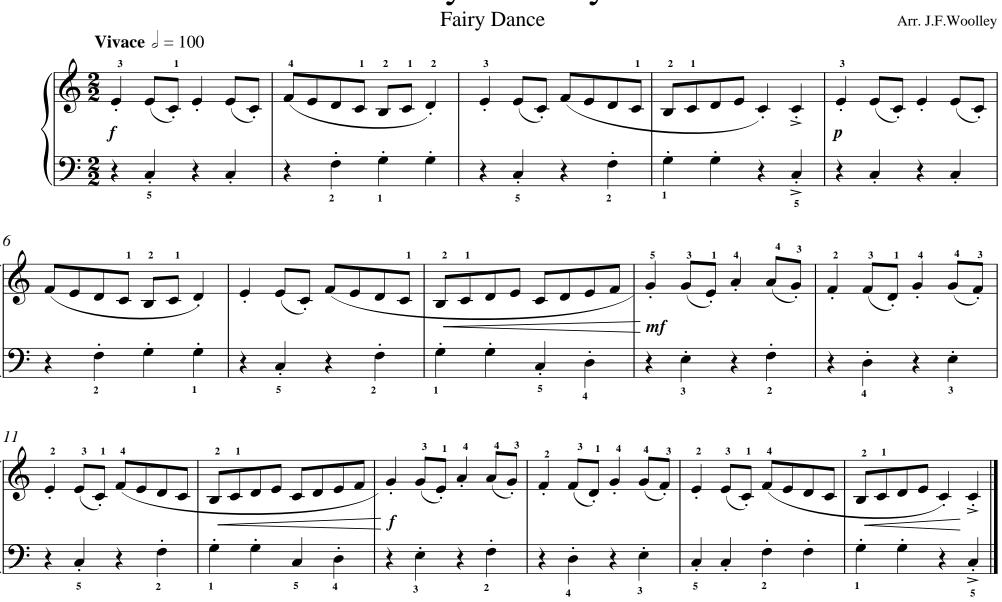


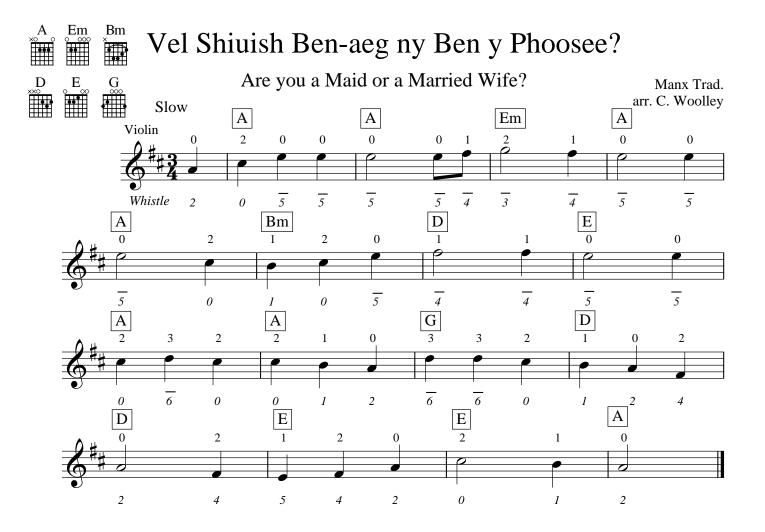






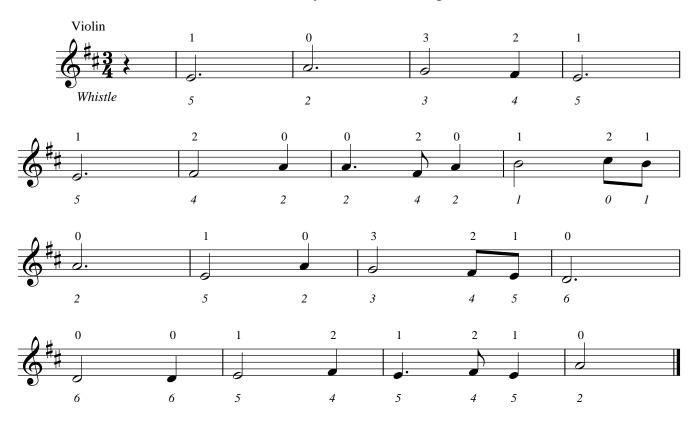
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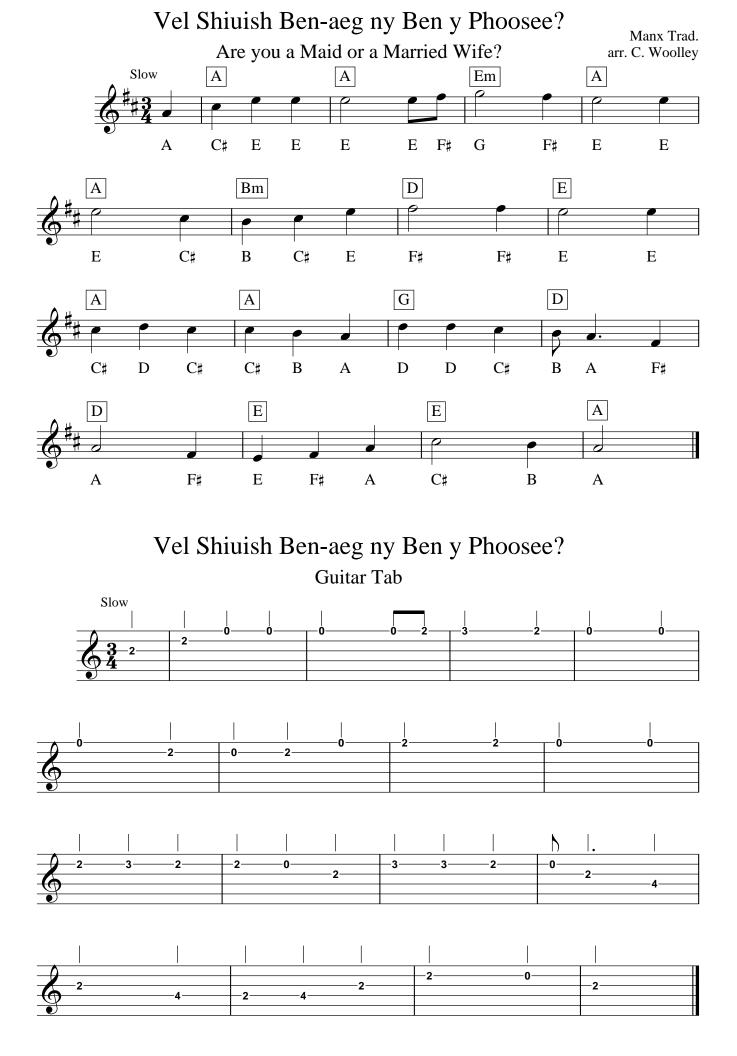




Vel Shiuish Ben-aeg ny Ben y Phoosee?

Counter Melody 1 (or octave higher)





Vel Shiuish Ben-aeg ny Ben y Phoosee?

Slow

Are you a Maid or a Married Wife? Piano Accompaniment arr. C. Woolley







Vel Shiuish Ben-aeg ny Ben y Phoosee?

Slow Are you a Maid or a Married Wife? Piano Solo







Vel Shiuish Ben-aeg ny Ben y Phoosee?

Are you a Maid or a Married Wife?

Manx Trad.

