Competency 3.0 :Identifies Types, Styles and Characteristics of the different

periods in the History of music.

Competency level 3.3 :Defines, describes, listens to and identifies Chamber music

compositions.

Activity 3.3.1 :Solo performance up to Quintet

Chamber Music

The following discussion took place in the Western music classroom.





Teacher : Can you see these pictures?

Are these outdoor performances or indoor performances?

Udari : Those are indoor performances, teacher.

Teacher : How many players are there in each picture?

Lalana : There are four people in the first picture, and three in the other.

Teacher : Yes, these music groups have only a small number of performers and it is

played in a concert room. We call it **Chamber music**.

- * **Chamber music** is a form of classical music that is composed for a small group of instruments—traditionally a group that could fit in to a Palace chamber or a room.
- * It began around 17th century. Music was performed in the halls of Royalty and Aristocracy.
- *A composition for a small band and a small audience in a room was known as Chamber music. It is an instrumental music performed by a small group of instruments (2 to 9) with one performer for each part.
- * Pieces of Chamber music usually have names which show the number of players needed.. The most common are Trios, Quartets and Quintets.

Solo - A composition for one voice or one instrument

Duet - A composition for 2 voices or 2 instruments

Trio - A composition for 3 voices or 3 instruments

Quartet - A composition for 4 voices or 4 instruments

Quintet - A composition for 5 voices or 5 instruments

String trio - Violin, Viola, Cello

String quartet - Two Violins, Viola, Cello

String Quintet - Two Violins, Two Violas, Cello

Two Violins, Viola, Two Cellos

Two Violins, Viola, Cello, Double Bass





Solo Duet







Activities

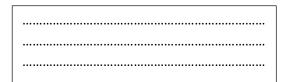
- 1. Fill in the blanks using the given words. (string Trio, chamber music, string quartet, duet, soloist)
- *Two players at a piano is called a Piano.....
- * Composition for Violin, Viola, and Cello is called a.....
- * A..... is performed by two violins, Viola and Cello.
- * A performance by a single instrument.....

2. Identify the following pictures and define it.



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