

Cresskill Middle School Improvisation - Part 1

Bb Instruments

Bb Blues

JJVJ

Concert Bb Blues Scale

The Blues is a 12 bar form which is broken into 3 phrases, each including 4 measures. Slash Marks (/) indicate beats. Each measure has 4 beats of music in which to improvise during.

You can use the notes from the blues scale to create a melody.

The act of spontaneously creating melodies is called "Improvisation."

Below are some sample rhythms that you can use to improvise in a swing style.