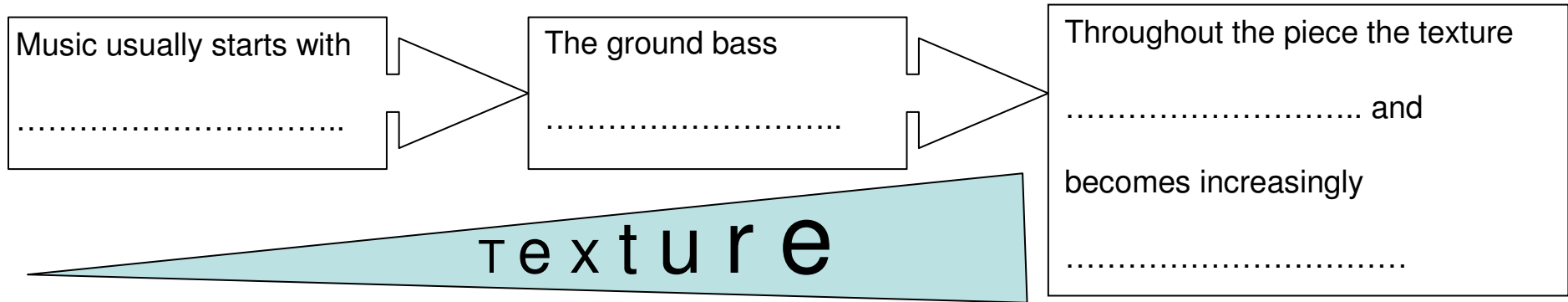


Ground Bass

Name.....

A ground bass is a

It is a compositional device, that helps to structure a piece of music. The structure of a ground bass piece is based around changing and developing texture



The technique of using a ground bass originated in the era. This was the period of music written between, by composers such as

It has been used by various composers from this time up to the present day.

VOCAB	Texture	Drone
	Polyphonic	Riff
	Accompaniment	Structure
	Bass	Melody

The Bass In The Baroque

Name.....

In the baroque era, most music had a bass line, chords and a melody, or melodies. Composers used particular instruments to provide the bass and underlying harmony.



The bass line was played by

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The chords and harmonies were played by

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These are called the
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VOCAB

Bass line..... **Chords**

Harpsichord **Cello**

Baroque.....

Quick test: what family of instruments is the cello from? List the other instruments in the same family and put them into pitch order from high to low.