## Spring Term Family Learning

## A Musical Adventure to Brighten and Cheer!





Week 1: Conga del Fuego by Arturo Marquez

I guarantee that this piece will get your toes tapping and your hips wiggling!

It was written in 2005 by Mexican composer arturo Marquez.

The conga is a dance that originated in Cuba. Can you find Cuba and Mexico on a map of the world?

They are both in the same continent.

Have you ever danced a conga? If you haven't, maybe someone in your family has!

The main theme of this piece is great for conga-dancing along to. You will need to make a chain with everyone in your house by holding on to each other's hips or shoulders. You then move around in a circle by doing three small steps and then kicking your leg out to the side. Have a go... it'll be lots of fun.



What is the name of the person who leads the orchestra?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HTOQeD\_mPlw



You will hear and see quite a lot of percussion in this piece. Can you name some of these instruments? If you have a drum, two wooden blocks that you can bang together or a tambourine you could play along. Can you play along to the same rhythm?