

Vocabulary

Latin music	Music from the Spanish, French and Portuguese speaking countries of South and Central America.
Salsa	A style of music based on Afro-Cuban music, funk and disco, which was developed by the Spanish immigrant communities of New York.
Rumba and Cha-chacha	Cuban dance styles.
Reggaeton	A music style from Puerto Rico that combines latin music with pop music.
Samba	An Afro-Brazilian dance.
Tango	An Argentine dance.
Percussion	Instruments that are played by being hit or shaken, like a drum or claves.



South America

Brazil

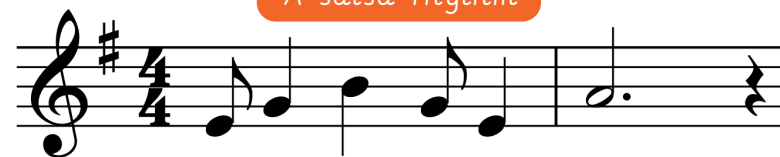
Latin music is influenced by the music brought to Central and South America by African slaves and Spanish settlers, who arrived between the 16th and 19th century.

Key facts

Music and dance are very important to Latin American culture.



A salsa rhythm



Note name	Symbol	Number of beats		Visual representation
Quaver		half	1/2	
Crotchet		one	1	
Minim		two	2	
Dotted minim		three	3	
Semibreve		four	4	



Clave



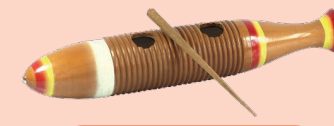
Shakers



Bongos



Castanets



Guiros