## **Introduction to Rap**

**Rapping** is an artistic form of vocal delivery and emotive expression that incorporates **rhyme**, **rhythm** and **street talk**. It is usually performed over a backing beat or musical accompaniment.

The components of rap include "**content**" (what is being said, lyrics), "**flow**" (rhythm, rhyme), and "**delivery**" tone.

Rap differs from singing in that the performance of the words doesn't rely on different pitches or a melodic pattern. Because they do not rely on pitch inflection, some rap artists may play with timbre or other vocal qualities.

Rap Music originated in the Bronx in the early 1970's and became part of popular music later in that decade. Rap developed from the role of Master of Ceremonies (MC) at parties, who would encourage and entertain the guests between DJ sets.

The mid 1980's saw the "Golden Age of Hip-Hop" when Rap became a massive musical influence all over the world. It is now a well-renowned mainstream form of music.

Famous Rappers include Eminem, De La Soul, The Sugarhill Gang, Nicki Minaj, Tupac, Missy Elliot, Post Malone and Cardi B however, there is and have been an abundance of famous rappers through the years.

Famous tracks include 'Me Myself and I' by De La Soul, 'Lose Yourself' by Eminem and 'Rappers Delight' by the Sugarhill Gang.



Eminem



**Cardi B** 



De La Soul



Nicki Minaj



The Sugarhill Gang



Tupac



**Missy Elliot** 



**Post Malone**