

KEY
VOCABULARY

folk song

a **popular, traditional song** from a particular region or country. We often do not know who has written a folk song, so musicians are sometimes known for '**collecting**' or '**discovering**' the songs rather than writing them

chorus

a part of a song which is usually **repeated after each verse** and has the **same lyrics** and **tune** each time it appears

verse

a part of a song which has **different words** but the **same tune** each time it appears

a cappella

where music is **sung without instrumental accompaniment**

Morris dancing

a type of **traditional English folk dancing**

ballad

a **story set to music** in the form of a song

call/response

songs where **one singer (a soloist) leads** and everyone else **replies together**

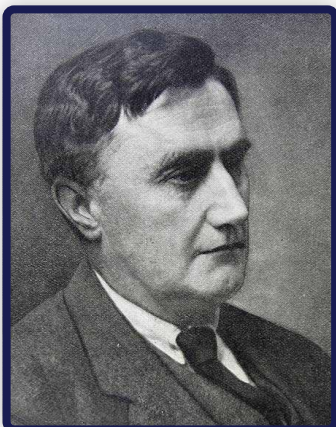
simple metre

A type of metre where the beat can be **divided into two**

compound metre

A type of metre where the beat can be **divided into three**

A fiddle – a different name for the violin often used in folk music



Ralph Vaughan Williams

An English composer who collected many English folk songs in the early 20th century and set a version of *An Acre of Land*



People picking hops to make beer, like those described in the folk song 'Hopping Down in Kent'



Simon and Garfunkel

An American folk/rock duo who are known for their version of the folk song *Scarborough Fair*