

# GCSE to Further Education

## A Level Music

**Task 1** You need to research and present the development of popular music styles from 1910 through to the present day. This is not intended to be a comprehensive and in-depth study of every popular, jazz or rock music style but an overview of the main styles and trends during the development of popular music.

You need to gain an understanding of these styles and an overview of:

- The principal fingerprints of the style in terms of “DR T SMITH” and other key features
- Technological processes of its recording and production
- The main artists, performers, composers, producers and arrangers.

**Task 2** Also, research these music technology techniques in more depth, explaining what they are, what they do and how to use them:

### Effects

- EQ and filters explained
- Delay
- History and development of the phaser effect
- History and development of the wah-wah effect
- History and development of auto-tune
- History and development of the flanger effect
- History and development of reverb

### MIDI

- What is MIDI?

### Microphones

- How does a microphone work?
- History and development of microphones
- Microphone - Mid-side technique
- Microphone - stereo mic techniques
- Microphone polar patterns
- Microphone types