Samba

Samba comes from Brazil



Instruments

Samba instruments are all percussion instruments.

Surdo

Large drum keeps the beat



smaller drum used by the leader

Tamborim

Very small drum

Agogo

2 Metal bells, High and Low

Ganza

Guiro

Metal shaker



Cuica - Friction drum



Rhythms

Samba Calls

Lets go to the park

I like Netto so does your mom Strawberry Strawberry Jam Come and have a go if you think your hard enough

Main Groove

Surdos - High: beat 1 Low: beat 3

Repinique - long short short (taa ta-te)

Tamborims - Bah bah bah bah baby bel

Agogos - I like netto so does your mom

Ganzas - Ta-te ta-te (even quavers)

Guiro - Lets go to the park

A whistle signals the changes between the sections of the piece.



Call and Reponse

Samba pieces often have call and response sections. Like a rhythmic conversation with questions and answers:

Do you want a bagel? No I don't Do you want some cereal? **No I don't** Baked beans? No Piece of toast? No. Do you want a fry up? No I don't

Context

Samba music is played at carnivals and used for dancing to. The players have to be able to walk while playing their instruments. Samba instruments only play rhythms NOT tunes. Samba has a beat but not a melody.