Worksheet 3: Putting it all together

Task one

Write a short introduction (150-200 words) about your composer.

Think about the key pieces of biographical information you want to pick out, such as where they are from or who they are influenced by, as well as achievements and highlights from their life and work.

Don't forget you can find out more about your composer using the NMC website and Music Map as well as the composer's own website, along with any research you've already done.

Task two

Write 200-300 words about your piece and the album it is taken from.

- © Can you explain how the piece works what instruments/ensemble it is written for; how the instruments are used; whether the music is organised in any specific way or form; whether it is based on something (an idea, a melody, another piece of music, a painting)?
- What is your personal reaction to the music? What atmospheres and moods does it conjure up? What is surprising and ingenious about the music? What makes the sound so distinctive?
- What advice would you give to someone listening to the music for the first time? Consider things like if you think it sounds best through headphones or speakers.

