

YouDJ Video 3: Mixer Faders



Objective

Students will experiment with the mixer fader by controlling the amount of sound coming in from each turntable.

Key Terms

A **mixer fader** is a slider device on a DJ mixing board that moves between the mixer's channels.

Procedures

- 1. Students will explore the basic function of the mixer fader by first placing it in the middle where they will notice that an equal amount of sound is coming in from both the left and right turntables.
- 2. Students will slide the mixer fader over to the far left where they will notice that only sound from the left turntable is coming out and no sound from the right turntable is present.
- 3. Students will then slide the mixer fader over to the far right where they will notice that only sound from the right turntable is coming out and no sound from the left turntable is present.
- 4. Students will use the mixer fader as a tool for enhancing their mashups, allowing for an ideal balance between the left and right turntable.

Extension

1. Students can learn more about mixing by searching videos for key terms such as: DJ Mixing Techniques, 10 best DJ mixing techniques, DJ Tutorial - Faders, etc.

Assessment

When possible, students can film a short video of their screen to demonstrate an understanding of how to use the mixer fader by controlling the amount of sound coming in from each turntable.

National Core Arts Standards

MU:Cr1.1.C.IIa Describe and demonstrate how sounds and musical ideas can be used to represent sonic events, memories, visual images, concepts, texts, or storylines.