

## iScore Planning Cycle for Playing By Ear

| Category                | Feature                 | Instruction/<br>Definition                                                                           | Example(s)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <b>General Goals</b>    |                         | Summarize here what you aim to improve about your musical abilities and experiences.                 | <p><b>Overall</b><br/>I would like to be able to learn to play more pieces by ear.</p> <p><b>Specific</b><br/>I want to learn to play “The Pink Panther” by ear.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Task Description</b> | <i>Task Description</i> | Explain briefly what you are working on here. Keep the description and the task specific.            | I am learning to play the introduction to “The Pink Panther” by ear.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|                         | <i>Criteria</i>         | Describe what is required to accomplish your task successfully.                                      | My playing of the introduction will sound like the recording.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Goals</b>            | <i>Task Goals</i>       | Describe what you want to accomplish through this task.                                              | Figure out the melodic and harmonic intervals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                         | <i>Supporting Tasks</i> | Supporting tasks can be used if you need to break down a broad task goal into more manageable units. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Find a YouTube video or borrow the soundtrack from the library and listen to it many times.</li> <li>2. Replicate the melody on my instrument.</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                         | <i>Strategies</i>       | Describe how you intend to work towards achieving your goal.                                         | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sing along with the recording, and then match the pitches of the melody.</li> <li>2. Listen to the recording and work on finding the chord progression for the LH bass notes.</li> <li>3. Sing the melody along with the bass notes I have discovered</li> <li>4. Record my version and compare it with the YouTube/CD recording.</li> </ol> |