Notes

What do I need to practise?

Do I solo and when?

How will the piece be performed?

What are some suggestions your teacher gave to help your music making?

How do the performers in the recordings make a simple song cool?

Duke’s Place

Who’s Duke? Where’s His Place?

Duke Ellington was a famous jazz composer and performer. “Duke’s Place” is a swing song written by Duke Ellington. It’s a simple 12-bar blues piece that’s really easy to solo on. You can create your solo by using the notes of the chords and the blues scale. This song is an invitation to come and visit “Duke’s Place” – a place where people get together to make great jazz music (also known as C-Jam Blues). Have fun!!!

Suggested Listening

*Duke’s Place*
- Duke Ellington: *Jam Session*
- Louis Armstrong: *Satchmo at Symphony Hall*
- Ella Fitzgerald: *Bluella – Ella Fitzgerald Sings the Blues*