WESTHOUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL - PE and Sport Dance knowledge organiser

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Skills and Techniques:

- → Actions (eg travel, turn, elevation, gesture, stillness, use of different body parts, floor work, transfer of weight)
- → Dynamics (eg fast/slow, sudden/sustained, strong/light, flowing/abrupt)
- → Space (pathways, levels, directions, size of movement, patterns, spatial design)
- → Relationships lead and follow, mirroring, action and reaction,, complement and contrast, formations)
- → Timing
- → Rhythm

Choreographic devices:

- → Motif and development
- → Repetition
- → Contrast
- → Highlights→ Climax
- → Changes in numbers of dancers
- → Unison and canon.
- → Chance Choreography

Positions and groupings:

Solo

Duet

Trio Group

Centre stage

Upstage Downstage

Stage Left

Stage Right

Onstage Offstage

Performance skills:

- → Posture
- → Alignment
- → Balance
- → Coordination
- → Control
- → Flexibility
- → Mobility
- → Strength
- → Stamina
- → Extension
- → Focus

Key Words:

Choreography
Pathways
Direction
Level
Speed
Extension

Timing

Phrase

Stimulus





