



**Music and Medicine Workshop**  
**Year 9 / 10**

**Title: BOOM BOOM POW**

**Synopsis: Inspired by your heartbeat, create comic strip sound images, and play them**

**Questions: What is your relationship to music?  
Why might music be important when someone is not well?  
How the sounds of your own life be represented in a comic book?**

**Equipment: Stethoscope  
Drumstick / drum or other percussion  
Worksheet**

**Icebreaker: Heart beat**

- Heart beats
  - listen to your heart using a stethoscope
  - model on table / person choose percussion instrument
  - develop into broader improvisation if it is fun
- Discussion: what does it feel like to hear your heart as music?

**Main Exercise**

- Listen to Berberian's Stripsody with image examples of score
- Look at examples of comic book sounds
- Imagine a character in a situation you understand: school, church, sports club. family...

The scene is full of noises:	
Heart beat sound is:	Mood is:
Something happens. Its sound is:	
What they are thinking is:	

- Explore examples of visual sound effects and play with them in your template
- Share your comic book page
- Create musical scenes using them as graphic scores