Reflection logs

Following each lesson while you are working on your Component 2 projects you should complete one reflection detailing what you chose to work on and the progress you have made. Use the questions below to help structure your logs:

- What was your main focus this lesson?
- Why did you choose to focus on this?
- How did you start the lesson?
- What progress did you make?
- How have you documented/evidenced this progress?
- How did this compare to what you had planned?

The following models have been provided to show you what yours could look like.

Reflection Log - model performance log

Today I focused on my American accent. I am really struggling with the New York ‘twang’ and keeping it consistent throughout the song. I listened to the original Broadway recording several times to familiarize myself with the pronunciation of the lyrics. I then sang through the song a few times, and took a recording of myself. I listened back to it, and colour coded my lyric sheet by section to show areas that sounded good (green) and areas I still needed to focus on (orange). The remainder of the lesson was focused on the orange sections, first of all speaking them and then singing. I then recorded myself again at the end of the lesson so I could mark my improvements (annotated on lyric sheet). This was in line with the plan I had made, so I am still on track with my overall schedule.

Reflection Log - model original song/production log

My main focus this lesson was developing my individual production project by refining my track and improving the overall structure and mix. I chose to focus on this because it was important to make clear progress on my final piece and ensure it sounded polished and met the brief. I started the lesson by reviewing my previous work, listening back to my current project, and identifying the areas that needed the most improvement. I made progress by adding new production elements, tightening the arrangement, and making improvements to the balance and sound quality of the track. I have documented this progress through saved project files, session notes, and screenshots of my work in the software. I also made brief written comments about the changes I made. This lesson went mostly to plan. I achieved the main tasks I had set for myself, although I spent longer than expected adjusting the mix, so I will continue refining that in the next session.