

Worksheets

Delta Blues Checklist**Timbre and Texture****Voice:**

- Solo voice
- Dramatic style (emotionality, ululations, yodeling, rawness, etc.)

Instruments:

- Acoustic instruments (not amplified electrically)
- Guitar (often open tunings)
- Harmonica

Form/Structure

- 12 bars/measures
- AAB rhyming scheme
- Call and response: Instruments talking (dialogue between voice and instruments)

Pitch/Melody

- Sliding / bending pitches (voice and guitar)
- “blue” notes / scale

Rhythm/Beat

- Solid beat / danceable
- Percussive

Lyrical Content

- Autobiographical (e.g., personal struggles, relationships, moving, food, everyday life, etc.)