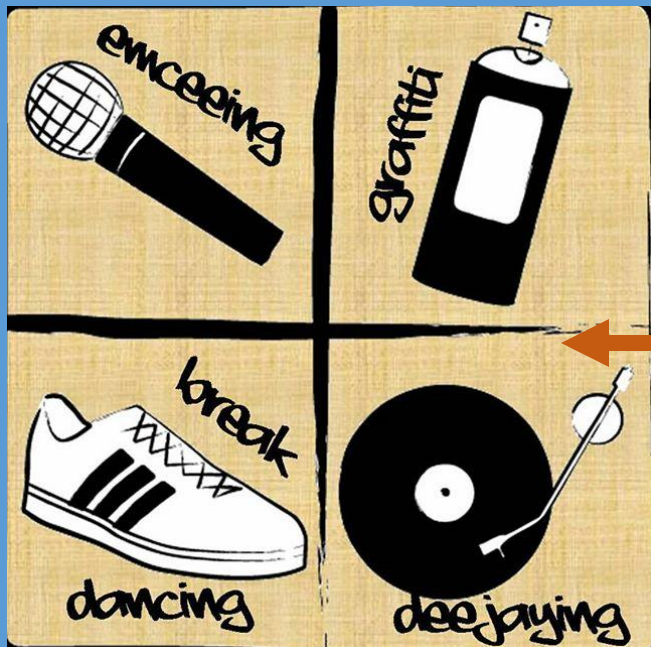


# What are the elements of Rap?

Rap consists of:

- **CONTENT** (what's being said)
- **FLOW** (how it rhymes, its rhythm and the fluency)
- **DELIVERY** (the tone and speed in which it's spoken)



## THE FOUR PARTS OF HIP HOP CULTURE

# RAP MUSIC



**Sample** – Piece of music that is borrowed from an existing song

**Emceeing** – speaking over music and hyping the crowd (original word for rapping)

**Rapping** – Speaking or chanting words over a backing beat.

**Syncopation** – off beat or against the beat.

**Gangsta Rap** – a sub genre of Rap that emerged from the troubled inner cities in USA.

**Slang** – a type of language that is regarded as very informal

**Rhyme** – words that have the same final sound, used at the ends of lines in a poem or song.

**Anarchy** – going against society

**Political Rap** – rap that's lyrical content is about political issues

## Creating your Rap Lyrics

### TOP TIPS

- Think in bars of 4
- Have more or less the same amount of syllables on each line
  - Rhyme your lines in pairs
  - Rhyme at the end of the lines.
- Use Perfect, Slant, multi and internal rhymes to make your lyrics more complex

## Creating your Rap Backing Track

### TOP TIPS

- Keep it simple
- Make it repetitive
- Use the drum loops from the library
- Use the sound effects from the library
- Add stops / pauses to emphasis certain lyrics
- Add drum fills at the end of verses / sections.