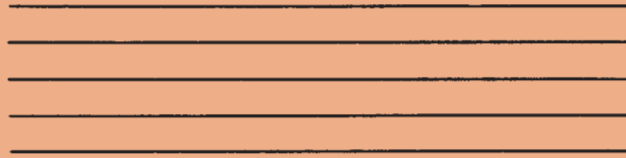


THE STAFF

Music is written on a staff. A staff consists of five lines equally spaced.

This is a staff



The distance between any two lines of the staff is called a space. There are four spaces in a staff.



In numbering the lines and spaces, always begin with the lowest line or space and count up.

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1. Draw a staff using the dots below for guides. (Use your pencil and a ruler.)

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(From this dot → ·

· ← to this dot first.)

- How many lines are there in a music staff? _____
- How many spaces are there in a music staff? _____
- The top line of the staff is line number? _____
- The middle line of the staff is line number? _____
- The top space of the staff is space number? _____

MEMORIZE: A music staff has five lines and four spaces.

THE CLEF SIGNS

At the beginning of every staff you will find a clef sign which gives a letter name to a definite line or space.

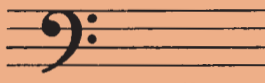
This is a TREBLE, or G clef sign.



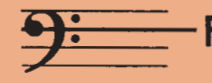
The treble, or G clef sign, gives the letter name G to the second line of the staff.



This is a BASS, or F clef sign.



The bass, or F clef sign, gives the letter name F to the fourth line of the staff.



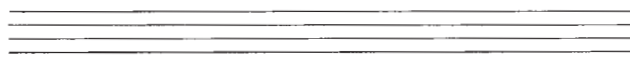
In this Music Theory book we will use both the treble, or G clef sign, and the bass, or F clef sign.

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1. Draw four treble (or G) clef signs here.



2. Draw four bass (or F) clef signs here.



3. The treble (or G) clef sign circles staff line number? _____

4. What is the letter name of line two in the treble clef? _____

5. In the bass (or F) clef sign, what staff line lies between the two dots? _____

6. What is the letter name of line four in the bass clef? _____

MEMORIZE: The treble, or G, clef names the second line of the staff - G.
The bass, or F, clef names the fourth line of the staff - F.

EIGHTH RESTS

The eighth rest also has one flag. These are eighth rests ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪

Two eighth rests equal one quarter rest:- ♪ ♪ = ♩

Whenever a quarter rest is equal to one beat (as in $\frac{2}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{4}{4}$ time)

an eighth rest is equal to one-half of a beat.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{♩} &= \text{♪} + \text{♪} \\ \text{beat} \rightarrow 1 &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

The beats under these eighth notes and eighth rests may be written like this:-

Arrows show direction of foot beat

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1. In the staff below fill in the first measure with as many ♪ ♪ as needed.
2. Fill in the second measure with as many ♩ ♪ as needed.
3. Fill in the third measure with as many ♪ ♩ as needed.
4. Fill in the fourth measure with as many ♪ ♪ ♪ as needed.



5. Write the beats under each note and rest that you have just written.

MEMORIZE: Whenever a quarter note or a quarter rest equals one beat-
an eighth note or an eighth rest equals one-half beat.

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Write the beats under each note and rest in Ex.1 through 10.
Then count the time aloud while tapping your foot.

1 $\frac{4}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]

2 $\frac{4}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]

3 $\frac{4}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]

4 $\frac{3}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 1st ending, 2nd ending]

5 $\frac{3}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]

6 $\frac{3}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 1st ending, 2nd ending]

7 $\frac{2}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]

8 $\frac{2}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]

9 $\frac{2}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 1st ending, 2nd ending]

10 $\frac{4}{4}$ [Musical notation: 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes, 8 eighth notes]