The Time Signature

Music has numbers at the beginning called the **TIME SIGNATURE**.

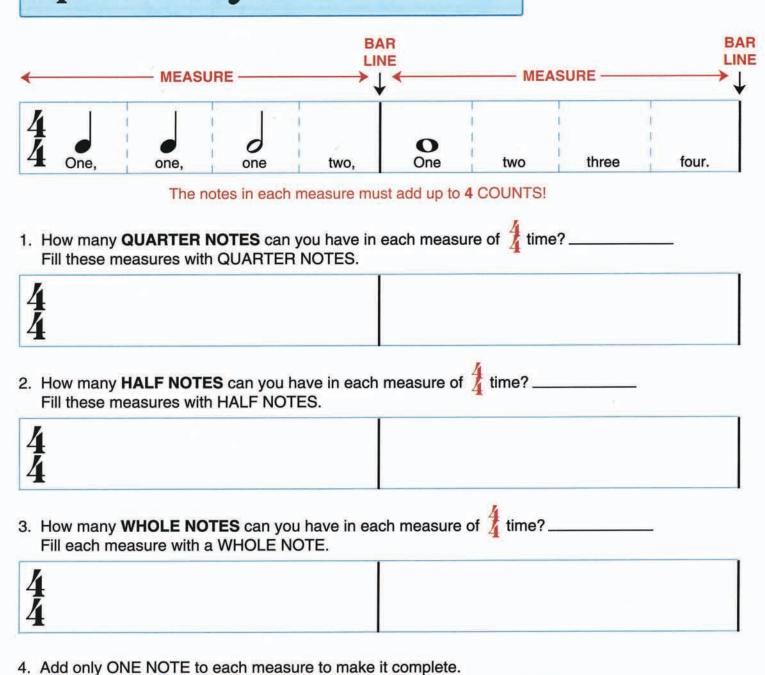
The **TOP NUMBER** tells the number of beats in each measure.

The **BOTTOM NUMBER** tells the kind of note that gets ONE beat.

means 4 beats to each measure.

a **QUARTER NOTE** gets ONE beat.





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Quarter Rests



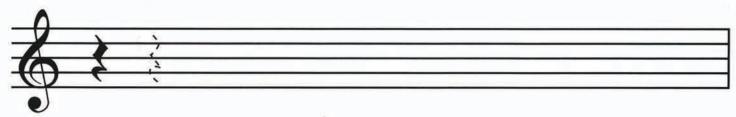
RESTS are signs of SILENCE.



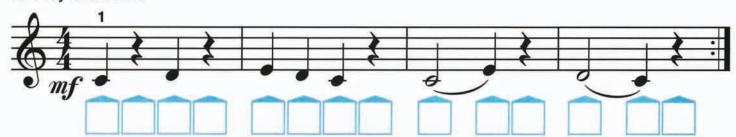
This is a QUARTER REST. It means REST FOR THE VALUE OF A QUARTER NOTE.

Count "1" or "QUARTER" for each quarter rest!

1. Trace the 2nd quarter rest, then draw 5 more.



- 2. Under each note or rest in the following line of music, write the number of counts it receives.
- 3. Play and count.



4. Add the values of the notes or rests in each problem and put the total below each line, as shown in the first example.













Fish Talk





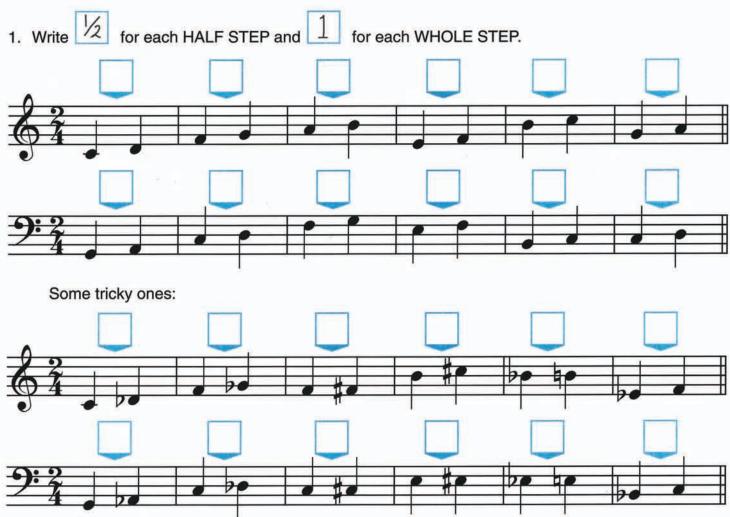
- 1. When my gold fish 2. He's as qui - et
- talks to me, he as can be, he

- 5. Play FISH TALK and COUNT.
- 6. Play and sing or say the words. Make a fish face with your mouth for each rest, if you wish.

Steps to Progress

Get everything on this page correct and you will never have trouble with HALF STEPS & WHOLE STEPS!





2. Change the following HALF STEPS to WHOLE STEPS by adding one accidental (#, > or) before the second note of each measure.



3. Change the following WHOLE STEPS to HALF STEPS by adding one accidental before the second note of each measure.

