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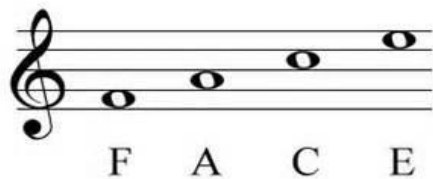
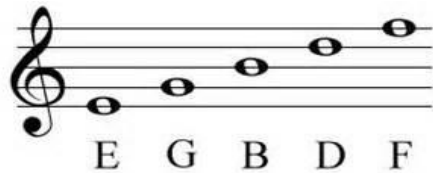
The Elements of Music

- PITCH is whether notes are played high or low.
- TEMPO is the speed at which music is played.
- DYNAMICS are how loud or soft music is played.
- DURATION is how long sounds are held on for.
- TIMBRE is the specific sound of an instrument.
- TEXTURE is how many sounds are heard together.

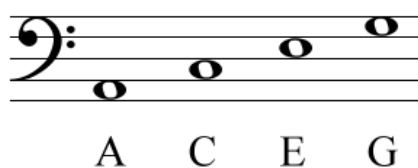
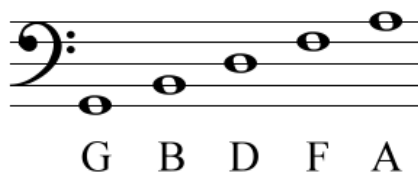
Note Values

Sign	Name	Relative Length	In 4/4 Time	Rest
	Semibreve	Whole note	4 beats	
	Minim	Half note	2 beats	
	Crotchet	Quarter note	1 beat	
	Quaver	Eighth note	1/2 beat	
	Semiquaver	Sixteenth note	1/4 beat	

Pitch (Treble Clef)



Pitch (Bass Clef)



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Vocabulary

Dynamics	Articulation	Tempo
Fortissimo – very loud Forte - loud Mezzo Forte – quite loud Mezzo Piano – quite soft Piano - soft Pianissimo – very soft Crescendo – getting louder Diminuendo – getting softer	Legato - smooth Staccato – short and detached Tremolo – wavering Pizzicato - plucked	Adagio – slow Largo – slow and broad Andante – at a walking pace Allegro – fast Vivace – fast and lively Presto – very fast
	Ensembles	
	Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra, Wind Band, Brass Band, Pop Band, Rock Group, Jazz Band, Solo, Duet, Trio, Quartet, Quintet	Tempo Changes
Pitch		Accelerando – getting faster Rallentando – getting slower Rubato – not in a strict tempo
Sharp, Flat, Natural, Octave, Intervals	Harmony and Tonality	Notation
Melody	Consonant, Dissonant, Major, Minor, Modal, Drone, Chord Pattern	Staff notation, Treble clef, Bass clef, Key Signature, Time Signature, Stave, Bar, Phrase
Step, Leap, Scalic, interval, Chromatic, Gissando		

Instruments of the Orchestra

String	Woodwind	Brass	Percussion
Violin Viola Cello Double Bass Harp	Flute Oboe Clarinet Bassoon	Trumpet French Horn Trombone Tuba	Cymbals Xylophone Timpani Triangle Gong Side Drum Bass Drum Tubular Bells Tambourine Woodblock Castanets Claves

Composers

Baroque	Classical	Romantic	20 th Century
J.S. Bach Handel Vivaldi	Mozart Beethoven Haydn	Tchaikovsky Chopin Brahms	Cage Reich Bernstein