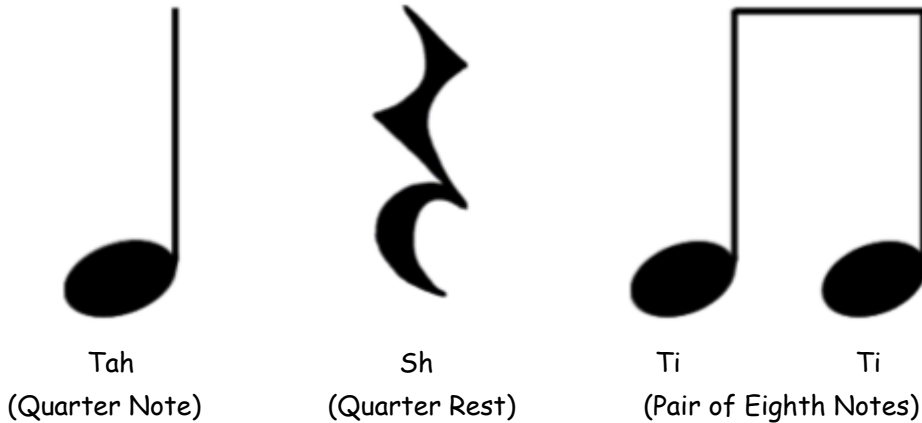


Rhythm for Little Learner's Teaching Guide

Preschoolers and early elementary-aged children can begin to recognize rhythm symbols and read rhythm patterns. The best way to introduce this is to teach the child a sound for each symbol. I based the following on the Kodaly Counting System.

The Beginning Rhythm Activities teach quarter notes, quarter rests, and pairs of eighth notes.



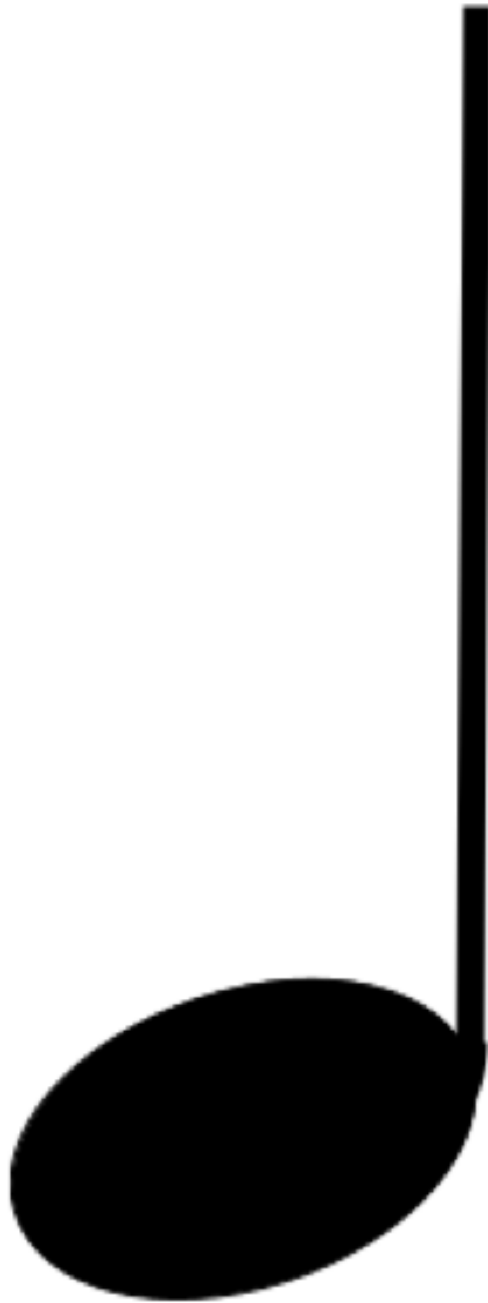
The Intermediate Rhythm Activities teach half notes and whole notes.



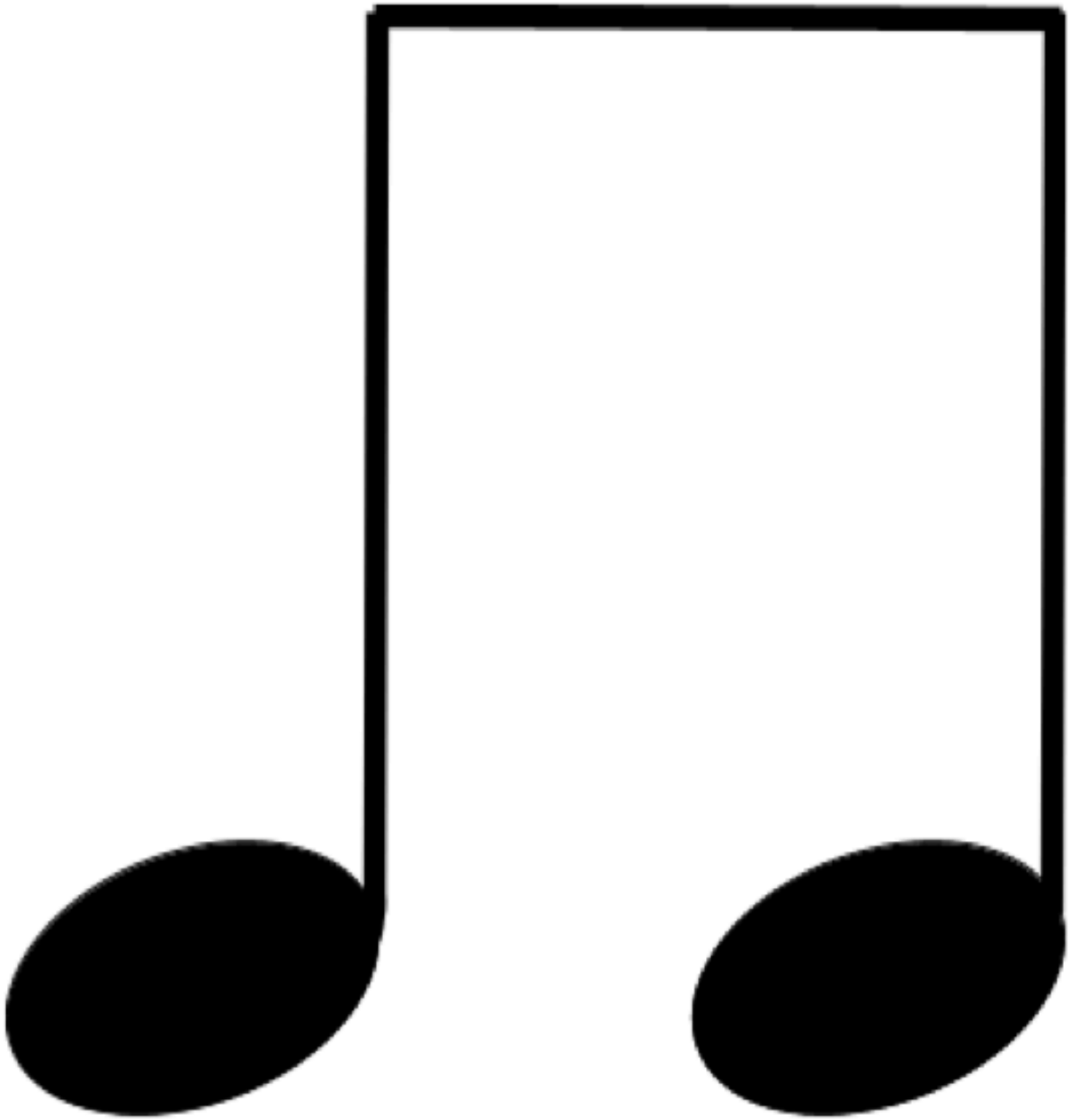
The Advanced Rhythm Activities teach half rests and whole rests.



Below are the musical symbols posters. There are 2 different styles of posters. You can use one, the other, or both. It is your preference.













Extra Activity:

Cut out the cards below. Help your child organize the musical symbol posters into groups based on sound (quarter note, pair of eighth notes, half note, and whole note) and silence (quarter rest, half rest, and whole rest.) Then help your child organize the musical symbol posters into groups based on beats (1 beat=quarter note, quarter rest, pair of eighth notes, 2 beats=half note, half rest, 4 beats =whole note, whole rest).

Sound

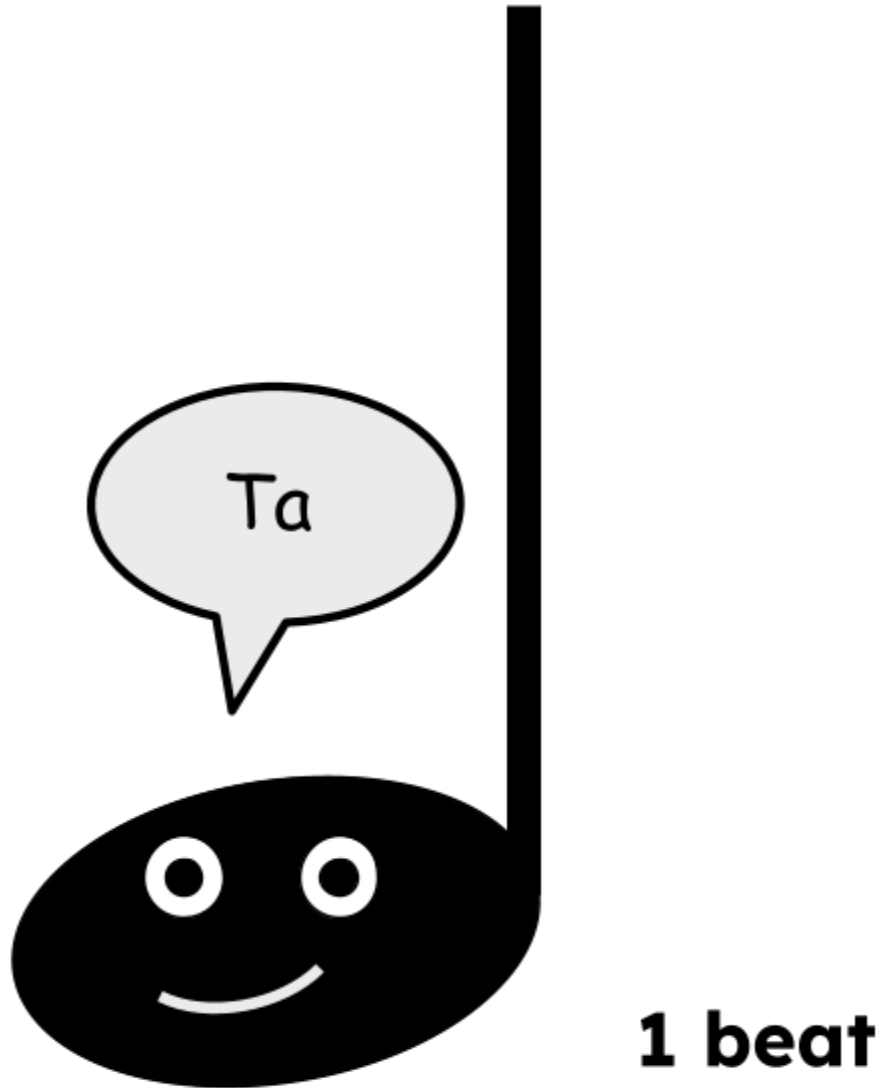
Silent

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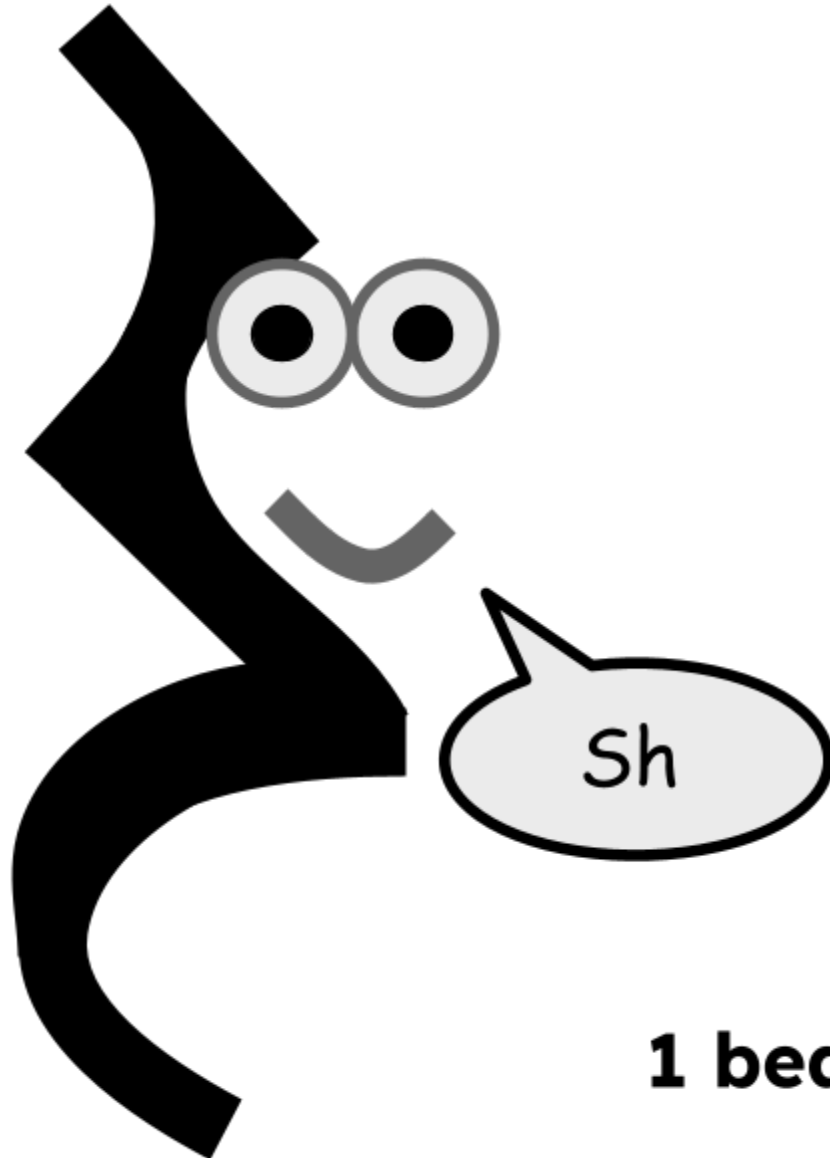
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Quarter Note

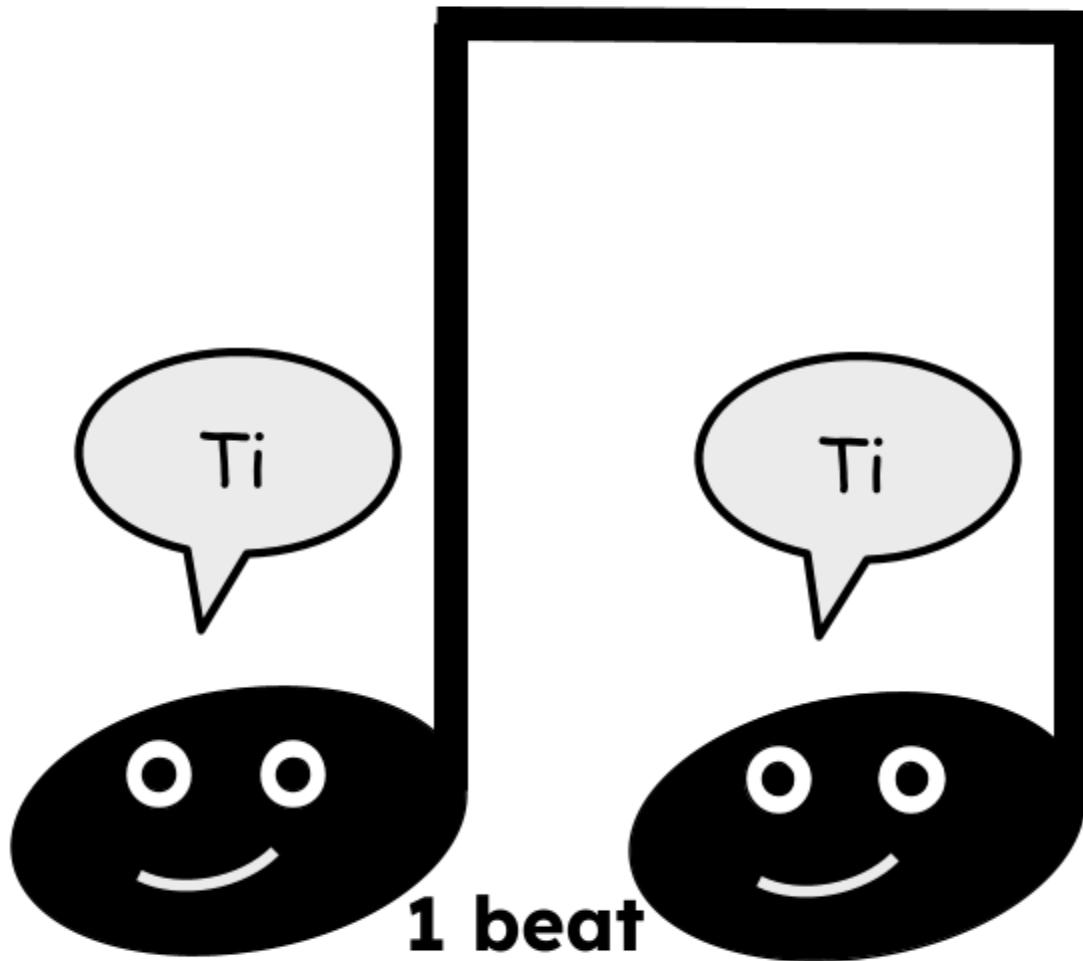


Quarter Rest

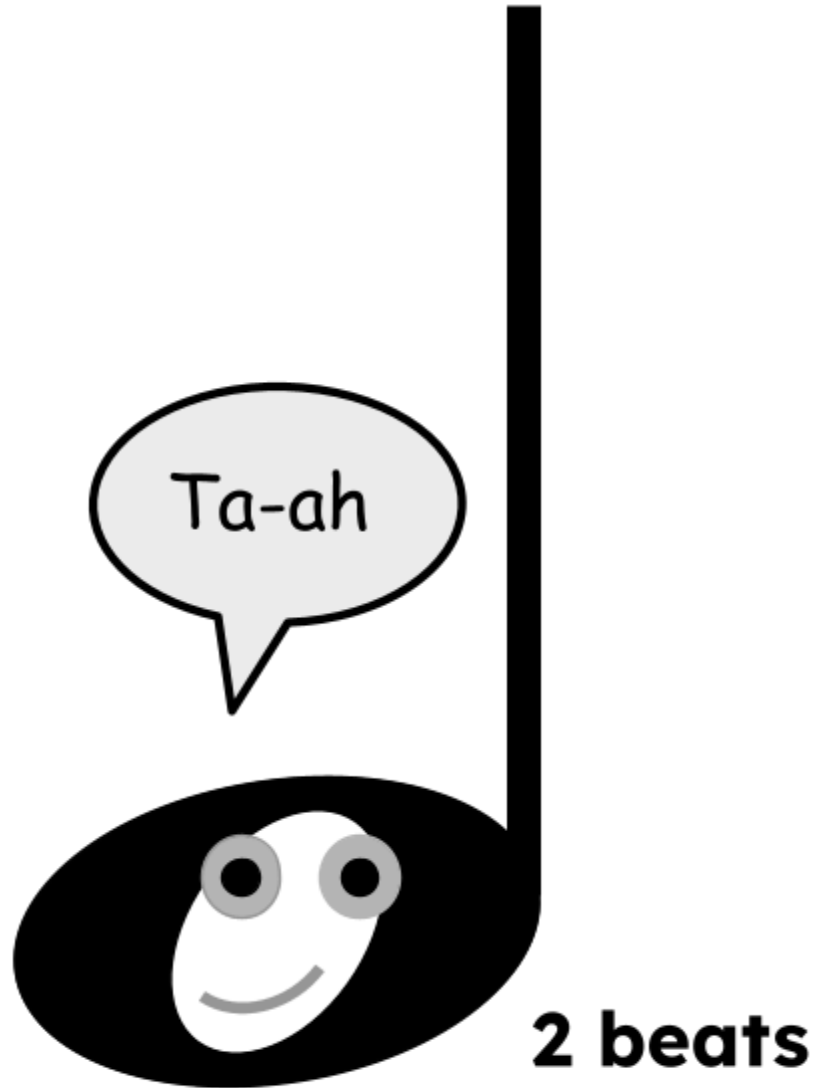


1 beat

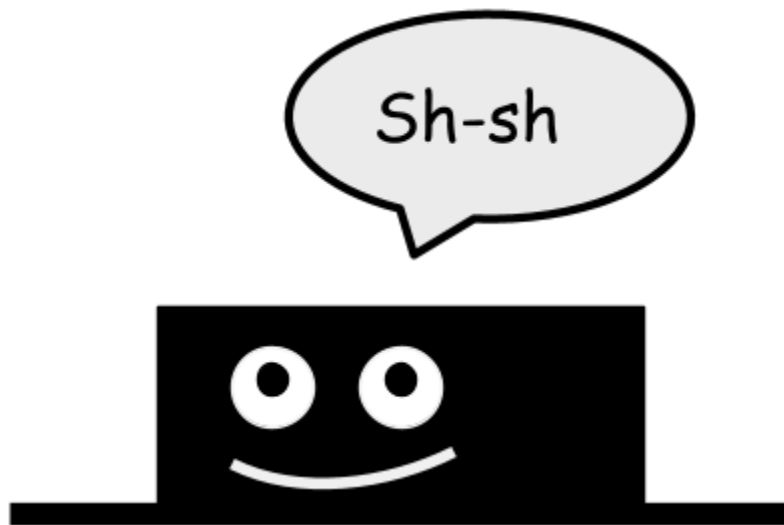
Pair of Eighth Notes



Half Note



Half Rest



2 beats

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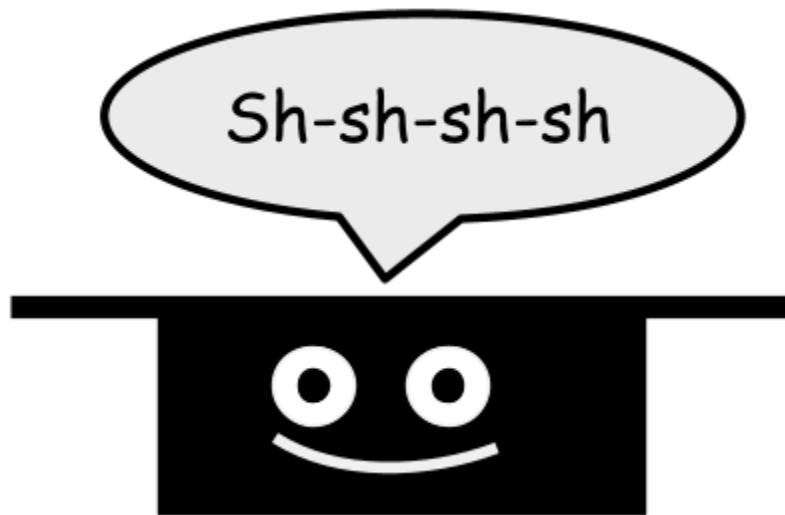
Whole Note

Ta-ah-ah-ah



4 beats

Whole Rest



4 beats