



Musical symbols

Treble clef 

Bass clef 

3 beats in a bar



4 beats in a bar



Sharp 

Flat 

Key words and Vocabulary

Beat - the steady pulse you hear or feel throughout the music (what you tap your foot to)

Rhythm - a collection of different lengths of sounds played one after the other

Bar - a measure of music. Separated by barlines

Time signature - The numbers at the start of music. The top number tells us how many beats to play in each bar.

$3/4$ - 3 beats in a bar

$4/4$ - 4 beats in a bar

Semibreve - a note lasting on for 4 beats

Minim - a note held on for 2 beats

Crotchet - a note lasting for 1 beat

Quaver - a note worth half a beat. Often grouped in pairs

Semiquavers - a note worth quarter of a beat, often grouped in 4s

Treble Clef - Notes above middle C

Major tonality - the music will feel 'happy'

Minor tonality - the music will feel 'sad/gloomy'

Sharp - the black note to the right of the white note, slightly higher in pitch

Flat - the black note to the left of the white note, slightly lower in pitch

Accompaniment - The notes played underneath a melody to make the texture sound thicker

