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Music Virtual Learning

Symphonic Orchestra

April 28, 2020

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Objective/Learning Target: “I understand the concept of syncopation and can identify rhythms that emphasize off beats or weak beats”

Warm-Up

What does a music therapist do?

Find out on the next slide!

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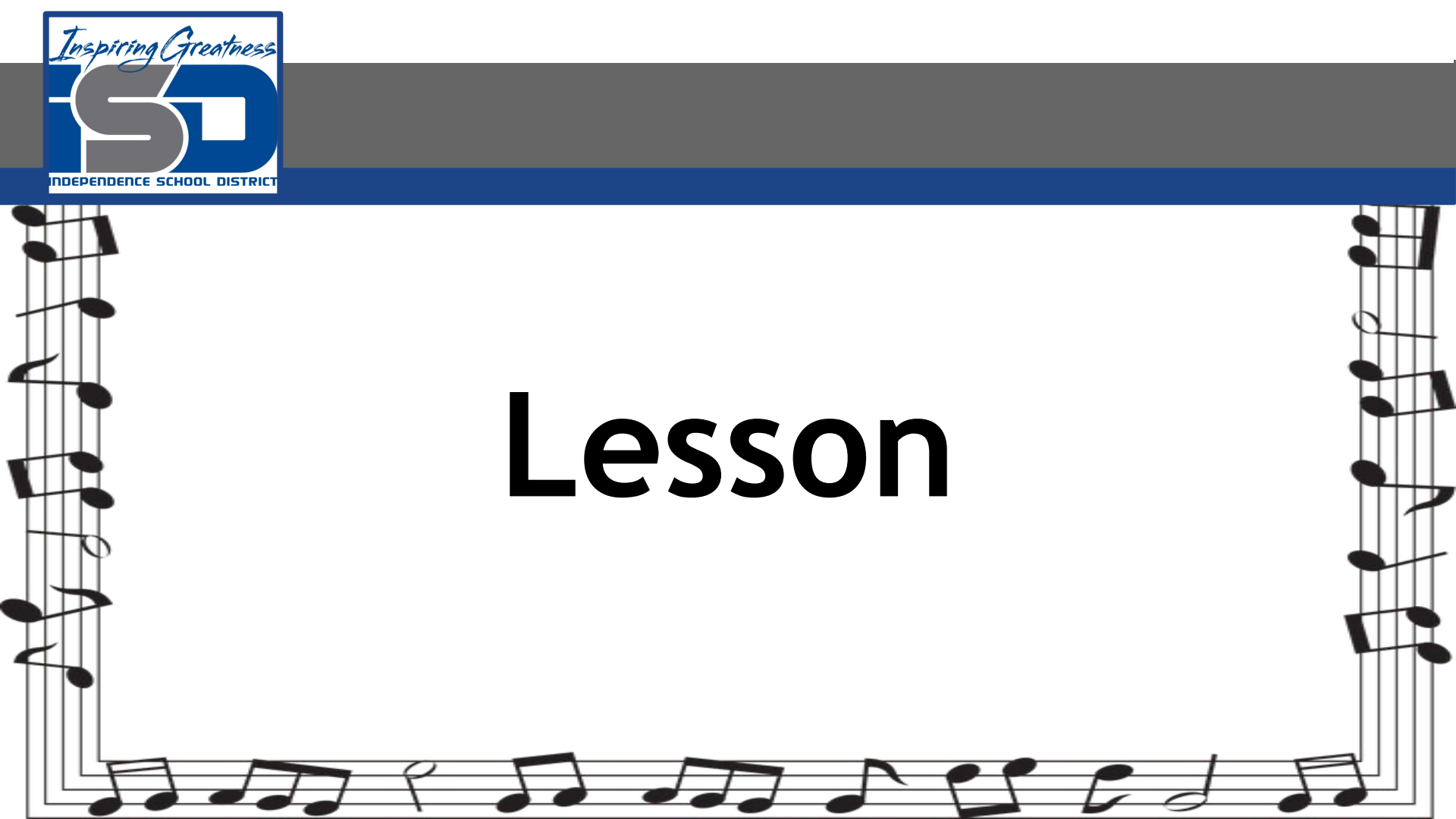
Interview Questions Here



Lesson

Try clapping this "rhythm Code"

ALTERNATIVE RHYTHM NOTATION EXERCISE

Start a metronome at quarter note = 80, clicking subdivisions. Each shape follows the metronome clicks—1 + 2 + 3 + 4 +.

Clap only on the circles. Next try clapping only on the black squares, then only on the gray squares.

1.

Watch this example!

More practice!

(This time - Grab your instrument! Try to play (or pizz) only on circles, then gray squares, Then black squares. Use a metronome!!)

2.

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Syncopation

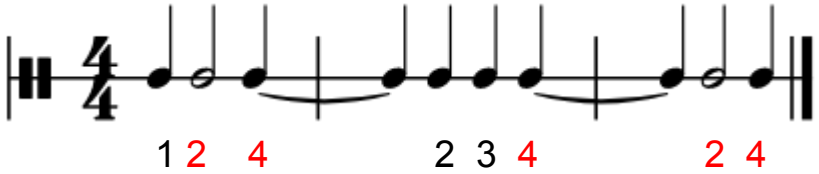
Definition of **syncopation**. 1 : a temporary displacement of the regular metrical accent in music caused typically by stressing the weak beat.

In other words, we are playing or accenting what would normally be the weak beats.

Ties and weak beats

If you remember from last week, the strong beats are always on 1 (and also 3 when in 4/4).

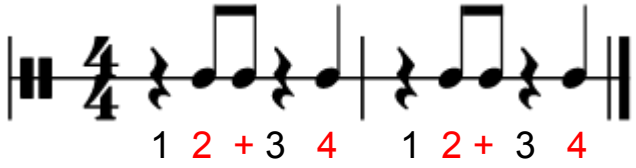
In this example, ties and half notes show emphasis on the 2nd and 4th beats.

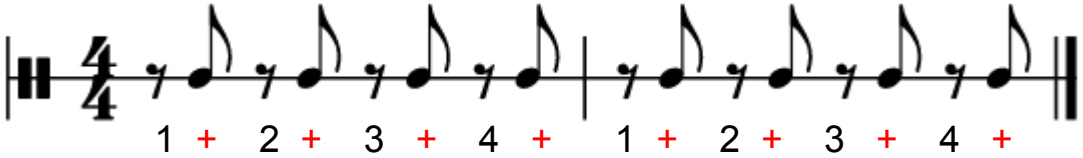


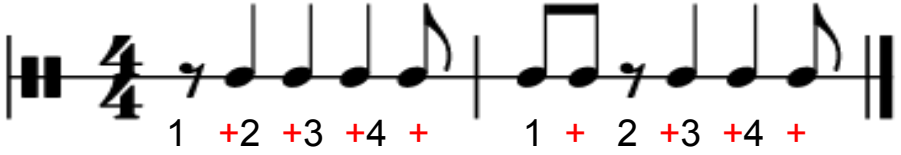
Try saying the beats out loud (and SHOUT the red beats!) :)

Off beats

Off beats are usually on the Weak beats of the Measure (2 and 4) or on the "and" of the beat. Try saying the counts out loud and clapping on the RED beats.



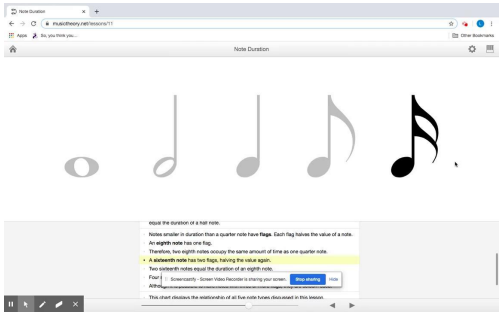




Chrome Music Lab

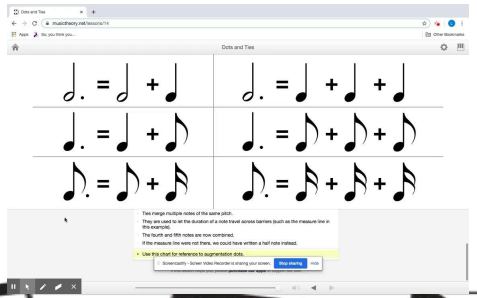
Go to the music lab and experiment! Can you create a rhythm that emphasizes the off beats or creates syncopation?

Let's review from last week!



Breaking Down Note Value

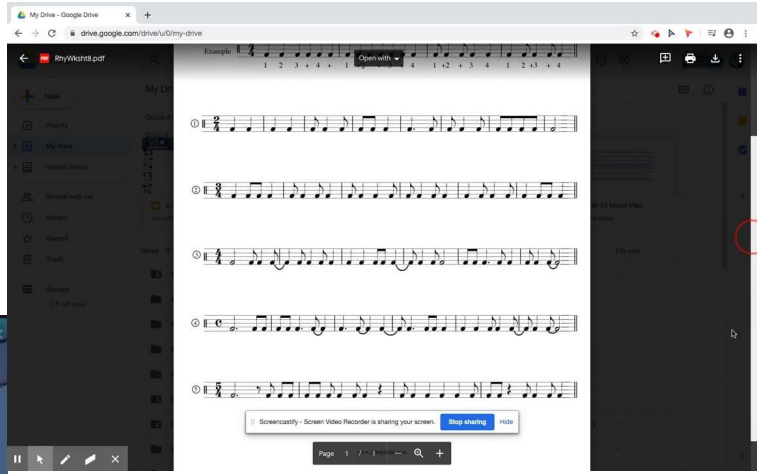
Dotted rhythms and ties

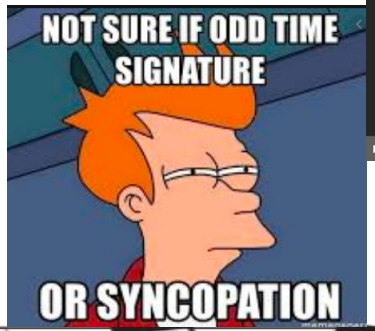


Syncopation example and worksheet

Syncopation Worksheet

Watch the video, then try breaking down the rhythm!





Rhythm can be viewed in many different ways. This video shows a different way to look at rhythm and how rhythm is used in the music of various cultures.

Rhythm adds variety!!

Review

Rhythm Skills Practice

- Choose one of the "Offbeats and Dots" or Syncopations options.. Very tricky but good practice!

Additional Materials

For more practice/Explanation:

Get Rhythm: All About Syncopation

Syncopation made easy!

Syncopated eighth note rhythm worksheet – The Shed

Syncopation Worksheet

Self-Assessment

Find a song that has syncopation! Try to clap a steady beat, and notice when the melody or background rhythms emphasize the off beats or weak beats!

Here are some ideas:

"Happy" by Pharrell Williams

"My Girl" by the temptations

"Stayin' Alive" by the Bee Gees

"Attention" by charlie puth

"Old Town Road"

Etc!!