



Music Virtual Learning

Middle School

Music Appreciation/Choir

May 4, 2020

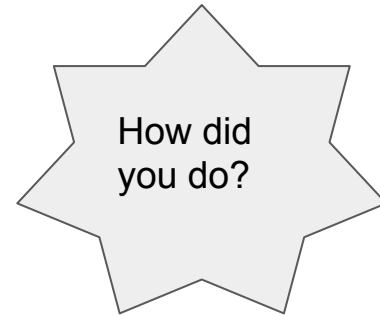
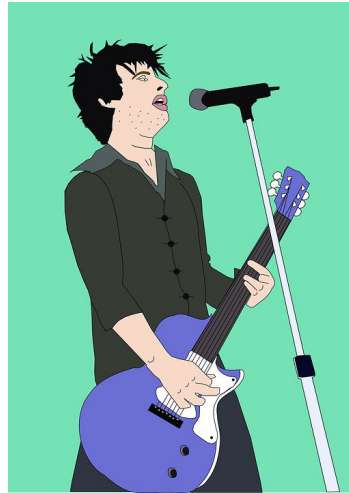


Lesson: May 4th, 2020

Objective/Learning Target:
Create and Play

Let's Review what we've discussed so far:

Check out [this video](#) and play along for review today.



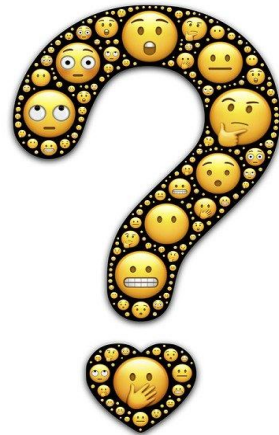
Since today is May 4th it's a great day to use some Star Wars material in our music lesson. Get excited!



Check out this fun [Star Wars performance](#). What instruments are they playing? Do you hear some of the notes we've reviewed so far today? What types of notes/rests do you hear?

Several weeks ago we discussed the rule of the dot.

What is the rule of the dot?



Rule of dot:

The dot adds $\frac{1}{2}$ of the original value to the note.



So:

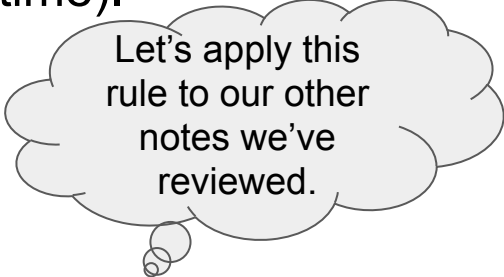
Half note gets two counts. Half of two is one.

$$2 + 1 = 3$$



Therefore:

Dotted half note receives 3 counts (in 4/4 time).



Let's apply this rule to our other notes we've reviewed.


All the notes discussed in this lesson are in 4/4 time.

Whole Note: 

Whole note = 4 counts

Half of 4 is 2

$4 + 2 = 6$


Dotted whole note = 6 counts 

Quarter note: 

Quarter note = 1 count

Half of 1 is $\frac{1}{2}$

$1 + \frac{1}{2} = 1 \frac{1}{2}$

Dotted quarter note = $1 \frac{1}{2}$ counts 

Eighth note: 

Eighth note = $\frac{1}{2}$ count

Half of $\frac{1}{2}$ is $\frac{1}{4}$

$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$

Dotted quarter note = $\frac{3}{4}$ count 

For those math people...

Can you figure out what a dotted sixteenth note would receive?



Don't worry! We won't be playing these!

Here's [a video](#) to further explain if you'd like to check it out.

Let's create and play now!

[Play along #1](#)

[Play along #2](#)

[Play along #3](#)



Have fun playing along to these Star Wars related songs for May 4th! Stay tuned for more Star Wars/John Williams themed lessons this week.

[Star Wars Boomwhackers](#)
[Imperial March I Boomwhackers](#)
[Imperial March II Boomwhackers](#)
[Star Wars Theme Boomwhackers Game](#)

If you want to try playing a digital Boomwhacker set along with these Star Wars songs, [check this out!](#)

